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**March 2016** 



# The BRAIN, Epilepsy and fMRI!

BC Epilepsy Society invites you to a **FREE** presentation, by Dr. Bruce Bjornson, BSc, MD, FRCPC (Pediatrics & Neurology). Join us to learn more about how imaging technology is helping to revolutionize epilepsy surgery and our understanding of brain mapping, language and other brain functions.

This is a rare opportunity to see incredible images of the brain and learn more about how it works.

**Who:** Everyone interested!

When: Monday, March 21, 2015 at 7PM

Where: The Chan Auditorium, CFRI Building, BCCH

Campus, **CLICK HERE** for directions.

For more information or questions please contact us at 604-875-6704 or email info@bcepilepsy.com



Dr. Bruce Bjornson holds the titles of:

Scientific Director, Child & Family Research Imaging (3T MRI)
Facility
Director, Brain Mapping & Neurotechnology Laboratory
Associate Clinician Scientist, CFRI
Clinical Assistant Professor, Division of Neurology, Department of Pediatrics, University of British Columbia

#### **NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

- 1. To receive the report of the Chair and Executive Director to the Members;
- 2. To receive and approve the audited financial statements of the Society for the year ended December 31, 2015;
- 3. To elect 4 directors to hold office for a 2 year term;
- 4. To appoint auditors for the ensuing year; and
- 5. To transact such other business as may properly come before the Meeting.

Each member in good standing with the Society as at the date of the Meeting is entitled to vote at the Meeting. All votes must be cast in person at the Meeting.

DATED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016.

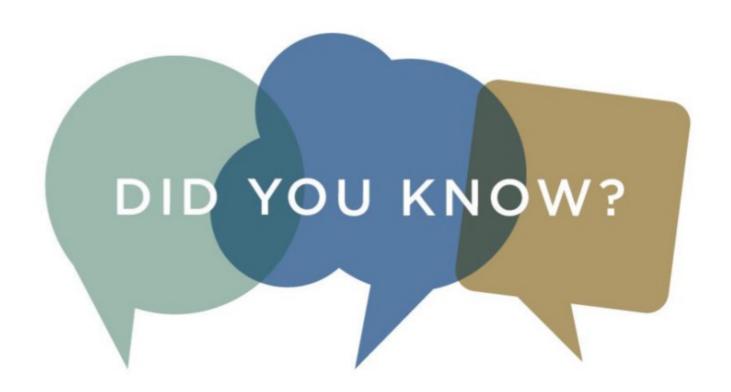
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<u>"Dan O'Brien"</u>
Dan O'Brien
Chair

### Study highlights discrepancies between AED prescriptions and actual usage

According to a recent study, a large proportion of people with epilepsy are not taking their medication as directed by their doctors.

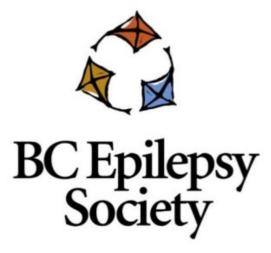
The research, conducted at the Oslo and Akershus University College of Applied Sciences and Oslo University Hospital, aimed to investigate whether prescribed antiepileptic drug (AED) treatment regimens match what patients actually take. It also sought to explore challenges in treatment and the reasons for any discrepancies. The results are <u>published in the medical journal Acta Neurologica Scandinavica</u>. (source: Epilepsy Research, UK)



Did you know that BC Epilepsy Society provides community resource volunteers at both BC Children's Hospital Epilepsy Clinic and the Adult Epilepsy Clinic at Vancouver General Hospital?

Our staff has extensive knowledge of resources and programs that are available to people and families living with epilepsy. The next time you are visiting an epilepsy clinic why don't you spend a few moments with us to make sure you're accessing the community services and support that are available to you.

For more information on about epilepsy clinic community support services, or to make an appointment in our office, please email: <a href="mailto:info@bcepilepsy.com">info@bcepilepsy.com</a>



It's not too late to participate in Purple Day. For more information on how you can be involved, please contact <u>Jasdeep</u> at BCES.

"I wanted people around the world to come together and teach others about epilepsy."

Cassidy Megan, Founder of Purple Day

Purple Day, March 26, 2016

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