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Dear Participant,

Thank you for having responded to our invitation to attend the National Collaborating Centres for Public Health Summer Institute 2009. We look forward to welcoming you to Château Mont-Sainte-Anne in a few days. Before then, please find some important reminders and information below relating to your stay in Mont-Sainte-Anne.

Registration tables – Hours of operation

The registration tables will be located in the hotel lobby, and will be open as follows:

- Sunday, July 5th – 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Monday, July 6th – 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
- Monday, July 6th – 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, July 7th – 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

Identification - Conference bag - Program - USB key

At the registration counter, you will receive an identification badge, a re-usable bag and a conference program. Keep your program with you, as it contains a schedule with the rooms for each session.

You will also receive a USB key that we invite you to carry with you during the event, particularly during the Knowledge Fair on Wednesday, as you will have the opportunity to download documents without using paper copies.

Meals

Your registration includes breakfast and lunch for each of the three days of the event, as well as a supper Tuesday evening during the opening reception.

Bilingual event – Simultaneous Translation

As you know, the Summer Institute will be a fully bilingual event. Simultaneous translation will be offered during all keynotes, plenaries and workshops. If you wish to use translation services, you will need to obtain a headset from the table in the hotel lobby. We will ask you to leave an identification card as security for the equipment, and it will be returned upon your returning the headset at the end of each day's sessions. To avoid lineups, please arrive early for your headset.

This year's green initiatives at the Summer Institute

This year, the Summer Institute has undertaken some steps to reduce our environmental and carbon footprints. Our efforts include more local purchasing, printing a short program on 100% recycled paper, and, shortly after the event, the purchase of Gold Standard certified carbon offsets to offset the event and participants' travel to Mont-Sainte-Anne in order to hold a carbon-neutral Summer Institute.

Activities

In order to start our days on the right foot, we have invited two yoga instructors to offer classes on Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 7:00 to 8:00 a.m. One course will be held in English; one in French. To register, simply write your name on the sign-up sheet in the hotel lobby. Spaces will be limited, particularly in the event of rain. For this activity, we ask that you bring along your yoga mat or a towel.

On Tuesday evening, the reception dinner will be accompanied by a quartet

Shuttle service – Registration dates extended

A shuttle service has been organized to take participants from the Jean-Lesage Airport or the Palais train station to Mont-Sainte-Anne during peak times. To consult the schedule and to book your shuttle ticket, check our [Ground Transportation section by clicking here](#). Registration closes on July 3rd at noon, so please act now.

Conflict of interest declarations

The list of declarations of potential conflict of interest, provided by conference presenters, will be posted online just before the event. We invite you to consult this list before attending the various presentations.

Evaluation

In the days following the Summer Institute, you will receive an event evaluation questionnaire by e-mail. Ipsos-Reid will conduct the evaluation. Thank you in advance for taking a few minutes to respond and for providing us with your input. Your responses are extremely valuable to us and form an integral part of Summer Institute planning.

We look forward to meeting you at Château Mont-Sainte-Anne,
The Organizing Committee