Title: Oral health and the life course

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The life course approach is a way of looking at chronic disease occurrence by considering the longer-term effects of exposures occurring through life. The life course can be thought of as our journey from gestation through childhood, adolescence, early and middle adulthood, and finally to old age and eventual death. The relevance of life course epidemiology for public health dentists is that it can assist us to understand the scale of the challenges facing us. A full understanding of the natural history and risk (and protective) factors for the common chronic dental conditions will inform better dental public health efforts to deal with those conditions. Relevant recent findings from the world-renowned Dunedin Study will be presented and discussed, together with the outcomes of some important recent health services research. The implications for dental public health will be considered.

Time & Place:  
Tuesday, September 25, 2012  
11:30 a.m. in the Rogers Faculty Council Room (M/48)  
3640 University St., Strathcona Anatomy & Dentistry Bldg.

Small lunch served. All are welcome. Host: Dr. Belinda Nicolau at (belinda.nicolau@mcgill.ca)