

# OPIOID SYMPOSIUM

Together, We Can **#StopOverdoses**



THE GLOBE AND MAIL CENTRE  
351 KING STREET EAST, 17<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR, TORONTO, ON

**SEPTEMBER 5–6, 2018**

## Meeting Objectives

- ▶ Place the voices of people with lived and living experience at the centre of the discussion
- ▶ Promote increased access to treatment and harm reduction
- ▶ Recognize the different aspects of the opioid crisis and discuss opportunities for collaboration



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# Day 1 - Wednesday September 5, 2018

TIME	ACTIVITY
7:30-8:30	<b>Participant Registration / Continental Breakfast / Meet and Greet</b>
8:30-9:00	<b>Welcome / Opening Remarks and Prayer</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ Kahontakwas, Diane Longboat, Elder, Traditional Healer, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health</li><li>▶ The Honourable Ginette Petitpas Taylor, Minister of Health</li></ul>
9:00-9:15	<b>“Snap Shot”: Setting the Context: Telling the Data Story</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ Dr. Theresa Tam, Canada's Chief Public Health Officer</li></ul>
9:15-10:45	<b>Panel Discussion: Examining the Factors That Lead to Problematic Substance Use</b> <b>Objective:</b> To discuss factors that lead to problematic substance use and identify potential areas for action on prevention. <b>Moderator:</b> Dr. Theresa Tam, Canada's Chief Public Health Officer <b>Panelists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ Leila Attar</li><li>▶ Dr. Robert Strang, Chief Medical Officer of Health, Nova Scotia</li><li>▶ Caitlin Etherington, Director of Prevention, Vancouver Coastal Health</li><li>▶ Rebecca Haines-Saah, Assistant Professor, University of Calgary</li></ul>
10:45-11:10	<b>Networking Break / Kiosk Visits</b>

## CONCURRENT SESSION A: LEARNING FROM PEOPLE DIRECTLY IMPACTED BY THE OPIOID CRISIS

TIME	ACTIVITY
11:10 - 12:40	<b>A1. Canada Is In Crisis: What Needs to Change and How We Can Get There</b> <i>(Organized by the Canadian Association of People Who Use Drugs)</i> <b>Moderator:</b> Rick Sproule, Canadian Association of People Who Use Drugs, Overdose Prevention Ottawa <b>Panelists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ Shanell Twan, Canadian Association of People Who Use Drugs, Alberta Addicts Who Educate And Advocate Responsibly</li><li>▶ Alexandra de Kiewit, Canadian Association of People Who Use Drugs</li><li>▶ Olympia Trypis, Canadian Association of People Who Use Drugs</li><li>▶ Jordan Westfall, Executive Director, Canadian Association of People Who Use Drugs</li></ul>

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11:10 – 12:40	<b>A2. Moms Stop The Harm: A Journey from Grief to National Advocacy</b> <i>(Organized by Moms Stop The Harm)</i> <b>Moderator:</b> Lorna Thomas, Co-Founder, Moms Stop The Harm <b>Panelists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ Leslie McBain, Co-Founder, Moms Stop The Harm</li><li>▶ Petra Schulz, Co-Founder, Moms Stop The Harm</li><li>▶ Marie Agoritis, Moms Stop The Harm</li><li>▶ Amy Graves, President, Get Prescription Drugs Off The Street Society</li></ul>
11:10 – 12:40	<b>A3. Unintended Consequences: The Impact of the Opioid Response on People Living with Chronic Pain</b> <i>(Organized by Pain BC and the Chronic Pain Network's Patient Partners)</i> <b>Moderator:</b> Nicki Kahnamoui, Director, Strategic Initiatives Pain BC <b>Panelists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ Linda Wilhelm, Canadian Arthritis Patient Alliance</li><li>▶ Billie Jo Bogden, People-patient of Eastern Ontario Pain Lifestyle Education Centre</li><li>▶ Dr. Vincent Raymond</li><li>▶ Laura Robertson, Chronic Pain Support Services</li></ul>
11:10 – 12:40	<b>A4. People – Confronting Stigma, Educating and Raising Hope by Telling Our Stories</b> <i>(Organized by the Community Addictions Peer Support Association)</i> <b>Moderator:</b> Gord Garner, Executive Director, Community Addictions Peer Support Association <b>Panelists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ Kier Knight</li><li>▶ Logan Carroll</li><li>▶ Adar Shire</li><li>▶ Chris Cull, Founder, Inspire by Example</li></ul>
12:40 – 1:00	<b>Grab-n-Go Lunch</b>
1:00 – 1:30	<b>“Snap Shot”: How Fentanyl Changed My Life</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ Dr. Darryl J. Gebien, currently non-practicing ER physician in long-term recovery, Lived Experience Educator</li></ul> <b>“Snap Shot”: Building the Evidence Base</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ Dr. Samuel Weiss, Scientific Director, Institute of Neurosciences, Mental Health and Addiction, Canadian Institutes of Health Research</li></ul>

**CONCURRENT SESSION B: ADDRESSING STIGMA ASSOCIATED  
WITH PEOPLE WHO USE DRUGS AND PEOPLE LIVING WITH CHRONIC PAIN**

TIME	ACTIVITY
1:40 - 3:10	<p><b>B1. Changing the Conversation In and Through the Media</b>  <i>(Organized by The Globe and Mail)</i></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> André Picard, Health Reporter and Columnist, The Globe and Mail</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Donna May, Founder, mumsDU (moms united and mandated to saving the lives of Drug Users)</li> <li>▶ Dan Werb, Executive Director, Centre on Drug Policy Evaluation</li> <li>▶ Evelyn Pollock</li> <li>▶ Nick Boyce, Director, Ontario HIV and Substance Use Training Program</li> <li>▶ Conor Lavelle, Resident physician, healthcare journalist, and patient advocate</li> </ul>
1:40 - 3:10	<p><b>B2. Barriers to Healthcare</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Karen Howlett, National Reporter, The Globe and Mail</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Cindy MacIsaac, Executive Director, Direction 180</li> <li>▶ Dr. Ginette Poulin, Medical Director, Addictions Foundation Manitoba</li> <li>▶ Dr. Eugenia Oviedo-Joekes, Providence Health Care</li> </ul>
1:40 - 3:10	<p><b>B3. Barriers to Treating Chronic Pain</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Lynn Cooper, Co-Chair, Patient and Public Education Working Group (National Faculty)</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Dawn Richards, Vice-President, Canadian Arthritis Patient Alliance</li> <li>▶ Dr. Manon Choinière, Administrator, Association québécoise de la douleur chronique</li> <li>▶ Dr. Owen Williamson, Chair, Academic Pain Directors of Canada</li> </ul>
1:40 - 3:10	<p><b>B4. Changing the Conversation in the Workplace</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Michel Perron, Executive Vice President, Canadian Institutes of Health Research</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ SanDee Vandal, Manager, Program Operations Branch, Service Canada</li> <li>▶ Garth Mullins, BC Association for People on Methadone</li> <li>▶ Jennifer Hollington, Assistant Deputy Minister, Communications and Public Affairs Branch, Health Canada</li> <li>▶ Vicky Waldron, Executive Director, Construction Industry Rehab Plan</li> </ul>
3:10 - 3:30	<b>Networking Break / Kiosk Visits</b>

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3:30 - 5:30	<p><b>Restricting the Marketing and Advertising of Opioids in Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ Ed Morgan, Director General, Policy, Planning and International Affairs Directorate, Health Products and Food Branch, Health Canada</li></ul> <p><b>Canadian Drugs and Substances Strategy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ Michelle Boudreau, Director General, Controlled Substances Directorate, Health Canada</li><li>▶ Donald MacPherson, Executive Director, Canadian Drug Policy Coalition</li><li>▶ Chief Bryan Larkin, Waterloo Regional Police Service</li></ul>

## Day 2 - Thursday September 6, 2018

TIME	ACTIVITY
8:00-8:15	<b>Welcome - Overview of the Day</b>
8:30-10:00	<b>Panel Discussion: Impacts of the Opioid Crisis on Indigenous Communities</b> <b>Objective:</b> To discuss the current impact of the opioid crisis in Indigenous communities across Canada. <b>Moderator:</b> Dr. Tom Wong, Chief Medical Officer of Public Health & Executive Director, Office of Population and Public Health, First Nations and Inuit Health Branch, Indigenous Services Canada <b>Panelists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ Dr. Esther Tailfeathers, Family Physician, Standoff Clinic, Blood Tribe Department of Health</li><li>▶ Mae Katt, Primary Health Care Nurse Practitioner</li><li>▶ Gabrielle Fayant, CEO and Co-founder, Assembly of Seven Generations and Special Youth Advisor to the Minister of Crown-Indigenous Relations</li><li>▶ Karen Pictou, Executive Director, Nova Scotia Native Women's Association</li><li>▶ Lorna Bird, Vancouver Area Network of Drug Users</li></ul>
10:00-10:30	<b>Networking Break / Kiosk Visits</b>
10:30-12:00	<b>Federal, Provincial, Territorial, and Municipal Armchair Discussion: Responding to the Opioid Crisis</b> <b>Objective:</b> To discuss actions taken to respond to the opioid crisis and priorities for the way forward. <b>Moderator:</b> André Picard, Health Reporter and Columnist, The Globe and Mail <b>Panelists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ The Honourable Ginette Petitpas Taylor, Minister of Health</li><li>▶ The Honourable Bill Blair, Minister of Border Security and Organized Crime Reduction</li><li>▶ The Honourable Judy Darcy, Minister of Mental Health &amp; Addictions, British Columbia</li><li>▶ His Worship Gregor Robertson, Mayor of Vancouver</li><li>▶ His Worship John Tory, Mayor of Toronto</li></ul>
12:00-12:45	<b>Lunch</b>

## CONCURRENT SESSION C: INNOVATIVE APPROACHES TO TREATMENT AND PREVENTION

TIME	ACTIVITY
12:45 – 2:15	<p><b>C1. New Practices in Correctional Services</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Andrea Woo, Journalist, The Globe and Mail</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Dr. John Weekes Waypoint Centre for Mental Health</li> <li>▶ Henry de Souza, Director General, Clinical Services and Public Health, Correctional Services Canada</li> <li>▶ Dr. Benedikt Fischer, Senior Scientist, Institute for Mental Health Policy Research, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health</li> <li>▶ Howard Sapers, Advisor on Corrections Reform, Ontario Provincial Government</li> </ul>
12:45 – 2:15	<p><b>C2. Increasing Access to Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Prevention Services in Indigenous Communities</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Valerie Gideon, Senior Assistant Deputy Minister, First Nations and Inuit Health Branch, Indigenous Services Canada</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Dr. Shannon McDonald, Deputy Chief Medical Officer, First Nations Health Authority of BC</li> <li>▶ John Dixon, Director, Mental Health and Addictions, Dilico Anishinabek Family Centre</li> <li>▶ Julia Bareham, Pharmacist Manager, Prescription Review Program, College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan</li> <li>▶ Marcie Pruden, Youth Community Dialogue Facilitator, Matsqui-Abbotsford Impact Society</li> </ul>
12:45 – 2:15	<p><b>C3. Treatment for Substance Use Disorder</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Rita Notarandrea, Chief Executive Officer, Canadian Centre on Substance Use and Addiction</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Dr. Marie-Eve Goyer, Quebec Regional Director, Canadian Society of Addiction Medicine</li> <li>▶ Dr. Mark Tyndall, Director, British Columbia Centre for Disease Control</li> <li>▶ Stacey Petersen, Executive Director, Fresh Start Recovery Centre</li> <li>▶ Dr. Peter Selby, Clinician Scientist, Addictions Division and Director, Medical Education, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health</li> <li>▶ Alexandra de Kiewit, Canadian Association of People Who Use Drugs</li> </ul>
12:45 – 2:15	<p><b>C4. Treatment for Chronic Pain</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Dr. Fiona Campbell, President, Canadian Pain Society</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Paul Ross</li> <li>▶ Dr. Norm Buckley, Executive Director, Chronic Pain Network</li> <li>▶ Dr. Hance Clarke, Director, Transitional Pain Program, University Health Network (Toronto)</li> <li>▶ Dr. Aliza Weinrib, Clinical Psychologist, Transitional Pain Service, Toronto General Hospital</li> </ul>

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2:15 – 2:45	<b>Networking Break / Kiosk Visits</b>

**CONCURRENT SESSION D: COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT**

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2:45 – 3:45	<b>D1. Addressing the Illegal Supply</b> <b>Moderator:</b> Joanne Crampton, Assistant Commissioner, Federal Policing Criminal Operations, Royal Canadian Mounted Police <b>Panelists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ Paul Beauchesne, Chief Superintendent, Serious and Organized Crime and Border Integrity, Royal Canadian Mounted Police</li><li>▶ Johny Prasad, Director, Commercial Program Compliance and Outreach Division, Programs Branch, Canada Border Services Agency</li><li>▶ Jean-Philippe Caron, Chief Postal Inspector and General Manager, Security and Investigation Services, Canada Post</li></ul>
2:45 – 3:45	<b>D2. New Approaches to the Opioid Crisis in Law Enforcement from the Front-lines</b> <b>Moderator:</b> Chief Bryan Larkin, Waterloo Regional Police Service <b>Panelists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ Deputy Fire Chief Mark Griffioen, City of Surrey, British Columbia</li><li>▶ Staff Sergeant Conor King, Victoria Police Department</li><li>▶ Deputy Chief Tim Farquharson, Peterborough Police Service</li><li>▶ Kris Nyrop, Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion, City of Seattle and King County</li></ul>
2:45 – 3:45	<b>D3. Therapeutic and Restorative Approaches in the Justice System</b> <b>Moderator:</b> Miranda Compton, Operations Director, Overdose Emergency Response Centre, BC Ministry for Mental Health and Addictions <b>Panelists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ Robin Cuff, Director, Toronto Drug Treatment Court and Manager, Aboriginal Services, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health</li><li>▶ Lerena Greig, Executive Director, Parents Empowering Parents</li><li>▶ Guy Felicella, Harm Reduction Educator</li></ul>
4:00 – 4:15	<b>“Snap Shot”: I Died Six Times – Let’s End the Stigma of Harm Reduction</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ Guy Felicella, Harm Reduction Educator</li></ul>
4:15 – 4:30	<b>Closing Remarks and Closing Prayer</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ The Honourable Ginette Petitpas Taylor, Minister of Health</li><li>▶ Kahontakwas, Diane Longboat, Elder, Traditional Healer, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health</li></ul>