Women’s Mental Health Conference:
Building Networks and Research Capacity
Friday October 1st, 2010

AGENDA

8:00 am - 9:00 am  REGISTRATION
In foyer outside of Aldwyn Stokes Auditorium G58 (College St. site)

9:00 am - 9:15 am  WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS
Aldwyn Stokes Auditorium G58 (College St. site)

Dr. Catherine Zahn, MD, FRCP(C), MHSc
President and CEO, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH)

Dr. Brenda Toner. Ph.D., C. Psych., Professor and Head, Women’s Mental Health Program, U of T, Co-Head, Social Equity and Health Research, CAMH.

9:30 am - 10:30 am  MORNING BREAK OUT SESSIONS

Symposium 1 – Multi faith Room, Ground floor (College St. site)
INTEGRATING MINDFULNESS-BASED APPROACHES IN WOMEN’S MENTAL HEALTH
Taylor, W.

Symposium 2- Aldwyn Stokes Auditorium G58 (College St. site)
INTERSECTIONALITIES IN WOMEN’S MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS:
APPLYING INNOVATIVE AND MIXED METHODOLOGIES IN RESEARCH
Chair: Vittoz, N. (IMPART)

The power of mixed methodologies to investigate women’s health in vulnerable populations
Benoit, C.

Violence and neglect in transitions to substance abuse in female adolescents
Krank, M.D.

Building knowledge through understanding actions of women with trauma and substance abuse issues
Young, R.A.

The Honouring Ourselves Mothers Empowerment (HOME) Study: Using community-based and participatory research methods to create a model for supporting substance-using mothers who have permanently lost a child (through apprehension or death)
Salmon, A.

Symposium 3- Room 801 (College St. site)
HEALTH SERVICES RESEARCH: WOMEN’S HEALTH ACROSS THE LIFESPAN
Chair: Vigod, S.

Sex differences in mental health service use of children and adolescents and the impact on suicidal behaviours
Rhodes, A.E.

Mental health service use of single parents in Canada
Cairney, J.
Sex differences in mental health indicators for placement in long term care facilities
Gruneir, A.,

Sex differences in depression care among Ontarians living with depression (from the Ontario Women’s Health Equity Report)
Lin, E.

Session 4 – Room 2022 (Russell St. site)
HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS

Long-term housing after abuse: What role does discrimination play?
Barata, P., Stewart, D.

Fragmented families: A preview of the circumstances facing homeless mothers with mental health problems.
Wright, A., Zabkiewicz, D.

A grassroots perspective: The Women’s Report From The Grid.
Diaz, P.

Session 5 – Room 845 (College St. site)
REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH

MotherFirst. Building capacity for maternal mental health in Saskatchewan
Bowen, A.

Through the eyes of single mothers: Postpartum depression and perceptions of risk
Woodford, T.

The Women’s Reproductive Psychiatry Clinic: A cross disciplinary approach
Senis, E., Prost, E., Roddy, G.

Session 6 – Room 853 (College St. site)
CLINICAL SERVICES

Working with women with complex mental health issues: Challenges and opportunities for patients and staff on an inpatient psychiatric unit
Akman, D., Pasricha, S.

Women’s vision and design of an After, After care in an addiction service
Bang, D.

Sexing up the psychiatric record: A pilot study of the documentation of women’s sexuality in psychiatric in-patient charts
Daley, A.

Session 7 – Room 2062 (Russell St. site)
WOMEN IN THE CORRECTIONAL SYSTEM

Non-suicidal self injury in federally sentenced women: A qualitative study
Power, J.

Screening for psychological symptoms of distress among federally sentenced women: Results from CSCs intake mental health screening system
Archambault, K.
If we build it will they come? Designing women's treatment within the Drug Treatment Court Program.
Connors, T., Doukas, N.

Session 8-
Room 2015 (Russell St. site)
COMPREHENSIVE CARE FOR SUBSTANCE USE

Comprehensive care of a substance using pregnant population within a primary care setting
Ordean, A.

Substance use, mental health and trauma related concerns faced by young women presenting for substance abuse treatment
Chaim, G., Rosenkranz, S.

A case presentation of the use of trauma focused exposure techniques for a single event trauma, post residential treatment
Smith, P.

Session 9-
Room 4088A (Russell St. site)
CARE FOR THE CAREGIVERS

Examining the impact of family–based treatment for adolescents eating disorders on the wellbeing of caregivers
Haqane, Z.

The health consequences of being a single mother caring for a child with cancer
Granek, L.

The occupational health of addiction workers: Narratives in photographs
MacEwan, L.

Session 10-
Room 4058A (Russell St. site)
POST PARTUM DEPRESSION

Self-transformed by postpartum depression: Rural views of social support and valued services
Boucher, A.

Resilience in the face of post partum depression: Perspectives of women in northern Ontario.
Shaikh, A., Kauppi, C.

The role of reproductive hormones in mood
Schwartz, D.

Session 11-
Room 4100 (Russell St. site)
SOCIO-CULTURAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH

Exploring the mechanisms through which depression is caused and maintained in low income South Asian immigrants
Ekanayake, S., Mckenzie, K.

Socio-cultural embodiment, pain, and circumcision in Somali women in Toronto
Glazer, E.

Stigma and other barriers to mental health services among recent Eastern European immigrants in the GTA
Murney, M.
10:30 am – 11:00 am  REFRESHMENT BREAK  
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11:00 am – 12:00 pm  Aldwyn Stokes Auditorium G58 (College St. site)  
PLENARY SESSION 1  
VIOLENCE IN THE LIVES OF WOMEN  
Robinson, G., Mason, R.

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm  LUNCH AND NETWORKING  
POSTER SESSIONS/COMMUNITY TABLES  
Cafeteria, Russell St. site, 2nd floor

1:30 pm - 2:30 pm  Aldwyn Stokes Auditorium G58 (College St. site)  
PLENARY SESSION 2  
SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF WOMEN’S MENTAL HEALTH  
Greaves, L., Massaquoi, N., Poole, N.

2:30 pm - 3:00 pm  REFRESHMENT BREAK  
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3:00 pm - 4:00 pm  AFTERNOON BREAK OUT SESSIONS  

Symposium 12-  
Aldwyn Stokes Auditorium G58 (College St. site)  
NEWCOMER WOMEN IN ONTARIO: FOSTERING MENTAL WELL BEING THROUGH COMMUNITY PROGRAMS, RESEARCH AND POLICY. (ECHO)  
Chair: Khanlou, N.  
Campbell, P., Angelow, L., Haque, N.

Echo: Improving Women’s Health in Ontario.

Access Alliance Multicultural Health & Community Services.

Symposium 13-  
Room T321 (Russell St. site)  
SEX AND SEXUALITY ACROSS THE LIFESPAN  
Chair: Gillis, L.

‘I don’t want to turn totally invisible’: Mental health, stressors and supports among bisexual women during the perinatal period  
Ross L.E, Siegel A., Dobinson C., Epstein R, & Steele L.S.

From Questioning to Queer: Young women coming out in hostile environments  
Flicker, S.

Sexual minority women and Vulvodynia  
Andruff, H.L., Reissing, E.D.

Elder LGBTQ women and mental health  
Baker, C.

Symposium 14-  
Room 2029 (Russell St. site)  
GENETIC TESTING FOR HEREDITARY BREAST AND OVARIAN CANCER-PSYCHOLOGICAL IMPACTS AND CHALLENGES IN DECISION-MAKING  
Chair: Esplen, M.J.

Overview of psychosocial impacts and those at increased psychological risk  
Esplen, M.J.
Development and evaluation of a decision aid for hereditary breast and ovarian cancer mutation carriers in considering disclosure to offspring. Clarke, S.

Reasons for risk-reducing mastectomy versus MRI-screening in a cohort of women at high hereditary risk of breast cancer. Haroun, I.

**Symposium 15-** Room 801 (College St. Site)
THE VALIDITY PROJECT: 10 YEARS OF COLLABORATIVE MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMMING, RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH WITH YOUNG WOMEN.
Chair: Thompson, C.

A historical perspective of the VALIDITY (VIBRANT ACTION LOOKING INTO DEPRESSION IN TODAY’S YOUNG WOMEN) Project, development of initiatives and resources. Thompson, C., Vrkljan, C.

“Girls Talk: Building Resiliency” project, participants’ experiences of a strengths-based group intervention for young women with mental health and addictions problems. Akman, D.

**Session 16-** Room 2062 (Russell St. site)
PSYCHOSOCIAL IMPACT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES

A web based support group for women with sexual problems due to gynecologic cancer. Classen, C.

Integrating a transplanted heart: women, distress and mental health. Poole, J., Abbey, S.

Healthy lifestyle behaviour change in women with schizophrenia: Clinical research considerations. Arbour, K., Golding, N.

**Session 17-** Room 2015 (Russell St. site)
CROSS-CULTURAL EXPERIENCES OF WOMEN

Afghan women’s mental health during the Taliban regime. Jaghori, B.

Male partner violence against women in Northern Ghana: Its dimensions and health implications. Issahaku, P.

Changing career pathways, changing self respect and empowering Cambodian beer selling women. Lubek, I.

**Session 18-** Multi faith Room, Ground floor (College St. Site)
USE OF CREATIVE ARTS

Dance movement as a therapeutic option for women experiencing postpartum mood disorders. Dietrich, P.

Art therapy with women who have experienced trauma: Creating a safe place.
Goldman, N.

Building bridges with at risk orphans in the Ukraine
Darewych, O.

Session 19-
Room 2029 (Russell St. site)
WOMAN ABUSE- PREVENTION STRATEGIES

Ontario woman abuse screening project- Building capacity to support abused women with mental health and addiction issues
Pelletier, J.

Disability strategy for the neighbours, friends and families: Violence prevention initiative
Park, M.M., Macquarrie, B.J., Odette, F.

Reducing barriers for women fleeing violence: Improving transition house accessibility for women impacted by mental wellness
Haskell, R., Godard, L.

Session 20-
Room 845 (College St. site)
REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH

Short- and long-term impact of untreated maternal depression on the child
Martrinovic, J.

Creating a circle of support for pregnant women and new parents: Response to a new tool for health service providers
Dawson, H., Born, L.

Lesbian, bisexual and queer co-parents: An exploratory study of the factors affecting mental health and wellness during pregnancy
Abelson, K.

Session 21-
Room 4100 (Russell St. site)
VIOLENCE, MENTAL HEALTH, SUBSTANCE USE

Best practices for supporting women with experiences of violence and mental ill health and/or substance use
Godard, L.

The determinants of mental health for black women charged with a domestic violence related offence
Duhaney, P.

Program development in women’s mental health at New York City’s St. Luke’s-Roosevelt Psychiatric Recovery Center
SzmuiLOWicz, S.

Session 22-
Room 4058A (Russell St. site)
ANTI-OppRESSIVE PRACTICE AND INTERSECTIONALITY

Shifting the recovery model paradigm: Positioning anti-oppressive practice and ecology-based social work practice in mental health services with women consumers
Vaillancourt, A., George, M.

Conversations with Mad women students: Education as a social determinant of mental health?
Reid, J.
Falling through the cracks: The importance of intersectionality in women's mental health
Benbow, S.

Session 23- Room 4088A (Russell St. site)

GENDER CORRELATES

Association of the catechol-O-methyltransferase gene with comorbid childhood attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder in women with bulimia nervosa
Yilmaz, Z.

Gender differences in aggressive behaviour in childhood and adolescence and the relation to psychopathic traits
Bass, S.

Cross sensitization between amphetamine and stress in a rat model: implications for sex differences in vulnerability to addiction
Uban, K.

4:10 pm - 4:30pm Awards and Closing
Aldwyn Stokes Auditorium G58 (College St site)