



2023 ONTARIO DRUG POLICY SYMPOSIUM AGENDA

Date: May 30th-June 1st

Location: Pearson Convention Centre
2638 Steeles Avenue E, Brampton, ON

NOTE:

REGISTRATION:

Wednesday, May 31th
7:00 AM
Pearson Convention Centre Foyer

Sessions:

Pearson Convention Centre, Hall A
Breakfast, AM/PM Breaks, and Lunch
will be provided both days

Dress Code:

Business Casual

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Time	Session	Moderator
7:00 AM	Registration	
7:15 – 8:15 AM	Breakfast	
8:15 AM	Welcome & Land Acknowledgement <i>Supt. Dermot Coughlan</i>	
8:20 – 8:30 AM	Opening Remarks <i>Chief Nishan Duraiappah</i> <i>Peel Regional Police & OACP President</i>	
8:30 – 9:00 AM	Keynote Speaker <i>The Honourable Michael Tibollo</i> <i>Associate Minister of Mental Health & Addictions, Ontario</i>	Introduction by: Chief Nishan Duraiappah
9:00 – 10:15 AM	Organized Crime & Enforcement in an Opioid Crisis <i>Det. Supt. Karen Gonneau, Ontario Provincial Police</i> <i>A/Supt. Pete Liptrott, Ontario Provincial Police</i> <i>Det. Cst. Jordan Meffe, Niagara Regional Police Service</i> <i>Det. Cst. Jeremy Diffranco, Niagara Regional Police Service</i>	Rachel Huggins
10:15 – 10:30 AM	Break	
10:30 – 11:45 AM	Criminal Justice Response to Drug Offences <i>Justice Kofi N. Barnes, Ontario Superior Court of Justice</i> <i>Carolyn Hayes, Deputy Chief Federal Prosecutor, PPSC</i> <i>Jacqueline Matthews, Case Manager, Rideauwood Addiction</i>	Supt. Dermot Coughlan
11:45 AM – 12:30 PM	Lunch	
12:30 – 1:45 PM	Decriminalization and Policing Healthy Outcomes for Substance Users <i>Insp. Phil Heard, Vancouver Police Department</i> <i>A/Supt. Tyrone Hilton, Toronto Police Service</i> <i>Dr. Leslie Buckley, CAMH</i>	Chief Tim Farquharson
1:45 – 3:00 PM	Responding with Change <i>Emily Jones, Peterborough Police Service</i> <i>Dr. Thomas Piggott, Peterborough Public Health</i> <i>Sgt. Pete Wiesner, Hamilton Police Service</i> <i>Sandra Kurdziel, Social Navigator Program</i>	Cst. Chris Auger
3:00 – 3:15 PM	Break	
3:15 – 4:30 PM	Getting Back to Basics: Prevention & Awareness <i>Karen McDonald, Research Program Manager, St. Michael's Hospital</i> <i>Caroline Folkman, Manager, Toward Common Ground</i> <i>Toby Ma, Ed & Awareness Coordinator, YMCA</i> <i>Dua Fatima, Youth Outreach Specialist, YMCA</i>	Jenn Williams

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AGENDA THURSDAY, JUNE 1ST, 2023



Time	Session	Moderator
7:30 – 8:15 AM	Breakfast	
8:15 – 9:00 AM	Keynote Speaker <i>Dr. Dirk Huyer, Chief Coroner for Ontario</i>	Introduction by: Chief Tim Farquharson
9:00 – 10:30 AM	Addressing Root Causes: Research, Overview, and Pragmatic Solutions <i>Dr. Jason Busse, McMaster University</i> <i>Dr. Kathleen Doukas, St. Michael's Hospital</i> <i>Dr. Deborah Kopansky-Giles, University of Toronto</i>	Caroline Brereton
10:30 – 10:45 AM	Break	
10:45 AM – 12:15 PM	Reducing the Harms of Substance Use <i>Mia Brown, Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit</i> <i>Bernadette deGonzague, Sr. Health Policy Analyst at Chiefs of Ontario</i> <i>Joanne Simons, CEO, Casey House</i> <i>Amanda Neilson, Manager of Clinical Practice, Rideauwood Addiction and Family Services</i>	Jenn Williams
12:15 – 1:00 PM	Lunch	
1:00 – 2:00 PM	Treatment and a Continuum of Care (Virtual) <i>Dr. Nathaniel Day, Alberta Health Services</i> <i>Dr. Scott MacDonald, University of British Columbia</i>	Cst. Chris Auger
2:00 – 2:15 PM	Break	
2:15 – 4:00 PM	The Future: Policing Priorities Townhall Takeaways <i>Michael Parkinson, Drug Strategy Specialist, Drug Strategy Network of Ontario</i> <i>Supt. J. G. (Jon) Dumond, Ontario Provincial Police</i>	Rachel Huggins and Sue Thorburn
4:00 – 4:30 PM	Closing: Where Do We Go From Here? <i>Rachel Huggins</i>	