



Exposé on Intimate Partner Violence and Concussion

Friday, October 26, 2018

North Bay Regional Health Centre - Auditorium

50 College Drive, North Bay, ON P1B 0A4

AGENDA

08:30 am	Breakfast and Registration
09:30 am	Welcome and Introduction – Jim Vigmond
09:35 am	Insight into March of Dimes Programs in the North – Crystal McCollom
09:45 am	TBI among Marginalized Populations – Dr. Angela Colantonio
10:30 am	Refreshment Break
10:45 am	Invisible but Dangerous: Understanding Concussions and Strangulation in Women Victims of Intimate Partner Violence - Dr. Eve Valera
12:00 pm	Lunch
01:00 pm	Obtaining Legal Help - The Criminal Injuries Compensation Board (CICB) – How Does it Work? – Jim Vigmond, Rob Durante
01:20 pm	Intimate Partner Violence and Concussions: What Do They Look Like and What Should We Do? – Dr. Eve Valera
02:05 pm	Refreshment Break
02:20 pm	Video/educational Toolkit and New Knowledge Mobilization Initiatives –Lin Haag, Dr. Angela Colantonio
03:05 pm	Questions & Answers

Registration is FREE

Invited to join via OTN site? Information to follow

Registration link: <https://bit.ly/2LVSlmm>

This conference will be of special interest to all health care professionals including (but not limited to):

Case Managers, Chiropractors, Chronic Pain Experts, Doctors, Discharge Planners, Family Physicians, First Responders, Gynecologist, Hospital Emergency Professionals, Massage Therapists, Neurologists, Neuropsychiatrist, Neurosurgeon, Nursing Expert, Nutritionist, Obstetrician, Personal Support Workers, Psychiatrist Occupational Therapists, Physiotherapists, Psychologists, Physical Therapist, Rehab Support Workers, Social Workers, and Speech-Language Pathologists.

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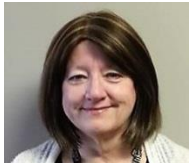
About the Speakers



Dr. Eve Valera is an Assistant Professor in Psychiatry at Harvard Medical School, and a Research Scientist at Massachusetts General Hospital. She has been working in the field of domestic violence for nearly 25 years, initially teaching a child abuse prevention program and then working with shelters to understand the prevalence and consequences of traumatic brain injuries (TBIs) resulting from intimate partner-violence (IPV). She published one of the first studies examining the prevalence of IPV-related TBI and its relationship to cognitive and psychological functioning, and has more recently provided the first neural mechanistic evidence of IPV-related TBI. Her work is ongoing and expanding to address other potential neural consequences of TBIs from partner violence.



Dr. Angela Colantonio is a professor at the University of Toronto in the Department of Occupational Science & Occupational Therapy with cross appointments in the Dalla Lana School of Public Health and the Graduate Department of Rehabilitation Sciences, and holds a CIHR Chair in Gender, Work and Health. Dr. Colantonio is also a senior scientist at the Toronto Rehabilitation Institute, UHN. She received her PhD in epidemiology and public health from Yale University, and an MSc in community health and a BSc in occupational therapy from the University of Toronto. Dr. Colantonio is a Fellow of the American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine and the American College of Epidemiology. She leads an internationally recognized program of research on acquired brain injury (ABI) that includes examination of ABI in the population targeting injury prevention and post-acute care with a special focus on vulnerable populations. Other areas of Dr. Colantonio's research program include long term outcomes, sex- and gender-related issues, and innovative approaches to intervention, such as the use of theatre as a knowledge mobilization strategy.



Crystal McCollom is the Regional Acquired Brain Injury System Navigator for LHIN 13. She is responsible for the implementation, integration and update of systems and processes related to Acquired Brain Injury resources in North Eastern Ontario. She also provides support to ABI clients and stakeholders in the areas of client access and referral, client tracking, client information and education and client community resources and networks. In addition, she provides secretarial support to the local Neurological Health Charities Committee. She received her M.E.S. at York University in 1993 focused in health promotion, health planning and community development and her BScN (nursing) at the University of Windsor in 1983. With many years of experience in health care, responsibilities have included: consulting, community health nursing and program planning in First Nations communities, healthy planning, policy analysis and planning for Long-Term Care Reform as a Senior Health Planner at a District Health council, Branch Management of two nursing companies, disability case management and extensive nursing experience.



James L. Vigmond is the former president of the Ontario Trial Lawyers Association; Jim Vigmond continues to be a leading figure of Ontario's personal injury trial bar. At Oatley, Vigmond, Jim leads a team of lawyers and support staff with broad expertise in spinal cord, brain injury and serious orthopedic cases. Frequently called upon to help further the education of other trial lawyers, he has travelled across the country, speaking on matters of trial advocacy and trial practice. Jim designed the course 'Personal Injury Advocacy' which he teaches at Queen's University Law School along with Insurance Law. His students have twice awarded him the Queen's Law School Teaching Excellence Award. He has been voted by his peers as among The Best Lawyers in Canada annually from 2006 to 2018, is a Certified Litigation Specialist by the Law Society of Upper Canada, a Fellow of the Litigation Counsel of America and a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers. In November 2016, Jim was the recipient of a lifetime achievement award from the Ontario Trial Lawyers Association.



Robert Durante has been practicing Personal Injury Law at Oatley Vigmond since his call to the bar in 1997. He is a graduate of McGill University and Queen's University Faculty of Law. As a partner at the firm Rob is committed to helping clients obtain the compensation they deserve. His accomplishments include being listed in Best Lawyers for 2017. Rob has represented clients at all levels of court in Ontario, including the Superior Court of Justice, the Divisional Court and the Court of Appeal. Rob has presented papers and was an invited speaker on issues concerning personal injury law, accident benefits, and commercial host liability. He has presented at conferences hosted by The Advocates' Society, Ontario Trial Lawyers Association, Law Society of Upper Canada, and Canadian Bar Association.



Halina (Lin) Haag is a PhD student in the Lyle S. Hallman Faculty of Social Work, Wilfrid Laurier University researching in the areas of disability studies, traumatic brain injury (TBI), and acquired chronic illness & injury. Her current work focuses on the intersection of intimate partner violence and TBI. In 2017, she was awarded the prestigious Women's Health Scholars Award to support this work. Lin's other research has explored gendered experience of traumatic brain injury and the barriers encountered by marginalized women in the areas of mental health, return to work, and social inclusion. Lin has received numerous awards including a CIHR Strategic Training Fellowship in Interdisciplinary Primary Healthcare Research and the Hilary M. Weston Scholarship for research in mental health.