

OTPDC 2017 Annual Conference: Connect. Cooperate. Collaborate. **Workshop Presentation Descriptions**

Note: Instructions on signing up for specific workshops will be emailed to participants after ticket sales close (March 6, 2017). Keep an eye out for an email from otpd@ualberta.ca after this date.

Participants will take part in three workshops: one in the morning and two in the afternoon.

MORNING WORKSHOPS (three options, choose one)

A. Barbara Norton (Physiotherapist)

“Teams: Good Ones and Not-So-Good Ones - Do They Affect Patient Care?”

Description of Session: Ms. Barbara Norton will provide a description of her experiences working on teams from over the past 30 years of practice and an interactive discussion about some of the scenarios which individuals may face.

Biography: Barbara graduated in 1980 from the University of Alberta. She worked clinically for 23 years in both public and private practice, occupying positions from staff therapist, manager of a PT department, to Professional Practice Leader in an acute care facility. Areas of practice included, inpatient and outpatient orthopaedics, inpatient, medicine and critical care, and burn treatment. Barbara joined the PT department at the University of Alberta in 2002; first in curriculum redesign (transition from BScPT to MScPT), then as a clinical assistant professor teaching in the areas of professional practice and foundations of physical therapy practice to both Canadian and internationally educated PT students. She committed throughout her clinical and teaching career to the principles of client centered care, communication, team development and collaboration. With a special interest in curriculum design and professional practice in the Canadian health care setting.

B. Christine Guptill (Occupational Therapist)

“TBD: Performing Artists”

Description of Session: Dr. Guptill will discuss her unique OT experience working with performing artists. She will explain how she created an OT role at National Youth Orchestra Canada - a solo role that evolved out of collaboration. Dr. Guptill’s presentation will highlight the importance of building a relationship with an organization, and getting by in from leadership to provoke change and expand the role of OT into new horizons. Dr. Guptill will also discuss the exciting launch of the new Performing Arts Medical Clinic out of the Glen Sather Sports Medicine Clinic .

Biography: Dr. Christine Guptill received her occupational therapy training at Western Michigan University, and her PhD at Western University in Rehabilitation Sciences. Her program of research focuses on the health and occupational performance of musicians. Dr. Guptill is Chair of Education for the Performing Arts Medicine Association. She holds an adjunct research appointment at the University of Toronto’s Music and Health Research Collaboratory. She was a founding member of the Health Advisory Team at National Youth Orchestra Canada (NYOC) in 2007, and has been providing primary care occupational therapy to the orchestra since 2011. In 2013-14, Christine was the Research Fellow at the Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists.

C. Matthew Wong (Registered Nurse)

“Needles, Naloxone and Narcotics! Oh, my! – A Harm Reduction and Overdose Prevention Workshop”

Description of Session: “Harm Reduction is a comprehensive, just and science-based approach to substance use.” What does that mean and how might a health professional apply that in practice? Through the morning’s workshop, Mr. Wong will explore the philosophy of harm reduction and its real life applications. This will include a multitude of topics such as overdose prevention, drug policy, communication strategies, and interdisciplinary collaboration. In the wake of the overdose crisis in Alberta and around the world, there is a call for greater understanding of substance use and more importantly, the people who use those substances.

Biography: Matthew Wong graduated from the University of Alberta in 2012 with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. He has been working with Streetworks, Edmonton’s syringe exchange program, ever since. There, he leads the Overdose Prevention Project – the first community based naloxone distribution program in Canada. Matthew is also a facilitator for the Alberta Addicts Who Educate and Advocate Responsibly (AAWEAR).

AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS (five options, choose two)

Afternoon workshops will run twice, once at 1:15pm and the other at 2:10pm

D. Kyle Nanan (Occupational Therapist)

“Occupational Therapy: Private Practice”

Description of Session: This presentation will document the changes of Kyle’s practice as well as his current relationships with WCB Alberta and Canadian Armed Forces. He will also describe how he provides services and the strategies he has used to build his business.

Biography: Kyle graduated in 2010 from the University of Alberta and has been working with CBI health group for the past six years. His scope of practice includes assessment services for the workers compensation board of Alberta, the Canadian military, and medical legal consulting. He also actively collaborates with other disciplines such as nursing, physical therapy, chiropractic, and exercise therapy in order to provide comprehensive care for his clients.

E. Cori Schmitz (Occupational Therapist)

“Putting Inter-professionalism into Action: OTs Contribution to Team Service Delivery”

Description of Session: Participants will discuss the challenges and benefits of interprofessional practice (IPP) and review IPP competencies. Tips will be provided about how to engage and encourage team members to collaborate for efficiency and improved client care. Student perspectives and experiences regarding the presence of IPP during fieldwork placements will be explored.

Biography: Cori Schmitz is an Assistant Professor and the Academic Coordinator of Clinical Education for the Department of Occupational Therapy at the University of Alberta. She earned her Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy from Queen's University in 1997 and her Master of Education in Community Rehabilitation & Disability Studies from the University of Calgary in 2010. Prior to becoming an academic, Prof Schmitz was an occupational therapist in a variety of practice settings, including community mental health, transitional housing services, geriatric rehabilitation and home-care

F. Leanne Bilodeau (Parent)

“TBD: Parenting and Teams”

Description of Session: Parents are essential team members in providing family-centred care to pediatric patients. This seminar will discuss the role of parents as members of the interdisciplinary team, and how occupational therapists can empower parents and provide them with some of the tools they will need to support their child's development.

Biography: Leanne Bilodeau is the proud mother of four boys ages 7, 8, 10 and 11. Two of her sons have Autism Spectrum Disorder, and one has comorbid Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder. In learning how to best help her sons with their unique challenges, she has had the privilege of working on several multidisciplinary teams. She has a business degree in Organizational Behavior and is currently pursuing a career in Laboratory Medicine.

G. Priscilla Ferrazzi (Lawyer)

1. Extending the reach of rehabilitation science: Influencing—and Being Influenced by—the Law. (1:15 - 2:00pm)

2. Moving mental health rehabilitation across discipline boundaries: Problem-solving courts and mental illness. (2:10 - 2:55pm)

Note: Dr. Ferrazzi will have two different sessions. These sessions are separate from one another, and therefore you may only attend one.

Description of Presentations: TBD

Biography: Priscilla Ferrazzi is a lawyer and an assistant professor in the Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine at the University of Alberta. She completed a SSHRC-funded PhD in rehabilitation science at Queen's University which was followed by a CIHR-funded postdoctoral fellowship in Public Health at the University of Alberta. Priscilla's program of research brings rehabilitation science scholarship to the law and conversely, legal scholarship to rehabilitation science research. She engages cross disciplinary and interdisciplinary approaches in her research. Priscilla's program of research, distinguished by the successful marrying of the disciplines of law and rehabilitation science, has been repeatedly recognized by Tri-Council, foundation and government funding, and was awarded the 2015 Outstanding Health Science Thesis Award and a nomination for the Governor General's Academic Gold Medal at Queen's University. Priscilla is now primary investigator of three interdisciplinary research projects in the Canadian Arctic. In this connection, she is also leading an innovative research training program for University of Alberta and Arctic-based research assistants working on her larger SSHRC and Law Foundation of Ontario research projects.

F. Amanda Chen (Occupational Therapist)

“Interdisciplinary Student Services - An Innovative and Collaborative Approach to Student Placements”

Description of Session: The Glenrose Rehabilitation Hospital provides an innovative clinical placement opportunity within the Specialized Rehabilitation Outpatient Program (SROP) for students from across the spectrum of the health discipline professions. Students from recreation therapy, occupational therapy, physiotherapy and speech language pathology have the opportunity to develop the clinical competencies as required by their discipline as well as the competencies identified within the interdisciplinary model. Clinical educators from each discipline work together

to provide learning opportunities for students to develop the skills and knowledge required for engaging in interdisciplinary practice. The session will provide knowledge related to the learning objectives of the program, student and patient experiences and benefits to the program area offering the placement.

Biography: Amanda Chen, BSc., MScOT, OT (C) is an occupational therapist who graduated from the University of Alberta Masters of Occupational Therapy Program in 2009. Amanda has clinical experience working at the Glenrose Rehabilitation Hospital (GRH) and University of Alberta Hospital (UAH). She has had the opportunity to work in several GRH clinical areas and with several populations including geriatric medicine, geriatric psychiatry, stroke, general neurology, orthopedic, musculoskeletal, persistent pain, and dysphagia clients. Amanda has been a member of the Persistent Pain Interest Group, an Advanced User of the Electronic Medical Record (EMR), and is an active member of the Functional Cognitive Working Group. Currently, Amanda is the OT clinical educator for the Interprofessional Student Service (ISS) in the Specialized Rehabilitation Outpatient Program (SROP) at GRH.