Creating Caring Communities

Addressing barriers to healthcare for people who use injection and/or inhalation drugs.

Featuring keynote speakers: Dr. Thomas Kerr, Dr. Colleen Varcoe and Dr. Amy Salmon

Dr. Thomas Kerr is the co-director of the Addiction and Urban Health Research Initiative at the B.C. Centre for Excellence in HIV/AIDS and is the Assistant Professor in the Department of Medicine (Division of AIDS) at University of British Columbia (UBC). Dr. Kerr will be discussing barriers to accessing health care and solutions with a rural focus.

Dr. Colleen Varcoe is a nurse researcher and women's health, culture and health, qualitative research, ethical practice in nursing, health policy and social policy professor at UBC.

Dr. Amy Salmon is the managing director of the Canada Northwest FASD Research Network and the Addictions Research Unit Manager of the Women's Health Research Institute at B.C. Women's Hospital. Dr. Salmon will be discussing women and substance use.

Other guest speakers include:
- Bill Nelles: Drug counsellor and honourary life member of the International Harm Reduction Association
- Urban Outreach members from Kelowna
- Street Angels members from Cranbrook

Presentations will be followed by a panel and discussion session and breakout groups.

DATES
Thursday, April 28: 6-8:30 pm (doors open at 5:30 pm)
- Dr. Thomas Kerr and Dr. Colleen Varcoe
Friday, April 29: 9 am-4 pm - Dr. Amy Salmon

COST
$40 ($10 for students and underemployed)
$60 (late registration)

REGISTRATION DEADLINE
April 21, 2011

LOCATION
Selkirk College, Castlegar campus

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