

CREATING CARING COMMUNITIES
Addressing Barriers to healthcare for people who use injection and/or inhalation drugs.

Thursday, April 28/11

5:30-6:30 pm: **Meet & Greet**

6:30-7:00 pm: **Alex Sherstobitoff** - Rise Up Community Engagement Project.

7:00-8:00 pm: **Dr. Thomas Kerr** - Addressing barriers to healthcare for people who use injection and/or inhalation drugs.

8:00-8:30 pm: **Question period**

Friday, April 29/11

8:30-9:00 am: **Coffee & late registration**

9:00-10:30 am: **Dr. Amy Salmon**, Women & Substance Use

10:30-10:45 am: **Coffee & snacks**

10:45 am-12:30 pm: **Breakout sessions**

- **1. Bill Nelles** - Methadone Maintenance Treatment & Study Recommendations, Suboxone for Opioid Addiction
- **2. Adam Wylie** – Kelowna, Street Nurse Outreach Program & **Debbie Whitehead** – Cranbrook, Street Angels Peer Outreach Program
- **3. Colleen Varcoe** – Stigma and labelling

12:30-1:30 pm: **Lunch**

1:30-2:45 pm: **Colleen Varcoe**, Pain and Substance Use

2:45-3:00 pm: **Coffee & Snacks**

3:00-4:30 pm: **Panel Discussion**, Barriers and Solutions

Bill Nelles- Drug Counsellor, Qualicum BC

Adam Wylie- Street Nurse, Kelowna

Deb Whitehead- Executive Director of Street Angels, Cranbrook BC

Alex Sherstobitoff- Rise Up Community Engagement Project Coordinator, Nelson BC

REDUN representative (Rural Empowered Drug users Network) - REDUN Nelson Chapter

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