

Quick Reference Guides:

[eOPS Geal Youth Housing Infographics – Youth](#)

[eOPS Geal Youth Housing Infographics – Pregnant](#)

[eOPS Geal Youth Housing Infographics - Housing](#)

BCCSU Addiction Fellowships Updates:

Our BCCSU Clinical Addiction fellowship program applications for 2024/25 have now opened! Please view our website for more details or email shanu.sandhu@bccsu.ubc.ca and fellowships@bccsu.ubc.ca for any questions. If you are able to also help spread the word to your network, we would greatly appreciate it.

Application dates and deadlines per stream:

[Addiction Medicine Fellowship Program](#): Application deadline : October 3rd, 2023

[Addiction Social Work Fellowship Program](#): [Application deadline](#) : December 4th, 2023

[Addition Nursing Fellowship Program](#): [Application deadline](#) : November 20th, 2023

[Addiction Nurse Practitioner Fellowship Program](#): Application deadline : November 20th, 2023

[Addiction Pharmacy Fellowship Program](#): Application deadline : December 4th, 2023

BCCSU-What's New in Addiction Medicine (Vancouver Island Series): Looking at the Emerging Evidence for Semaglutide in Addictions Medicine

Sept 26 (Tues) | 1200-1300pst

Presenter: *Dr. Connor Howell*

Learning Objectives:

1. Summarizing recent evidence evaluating the use of Semaglutide for reducing cravings in substance use
2. Evaluating Clinical Applicability for Semaglutide's use in Addictions Medicine

Register: [HERE](#)

BC CDC & Toward the Heart: Youth eOPS

Sept 27 (Wed) | 1200-1300pst

Presenter: *Sammy Iammarino, BCCDC & Kali-olt Sedgemore, PEEP*

Register: [HERE](#)

Practice Support Team: Safe Talk

Cowichan - Sept 29 (Fri) | 0830-1230pst

Nanaimo - Oct 20 (Fri)

Victoria - Nov 16 (Thur)

Learning Objectives:

1. Notice and respond to situations where suicide thoughts might be present
2. Recognize that invitations for help are often overlooked
3. Move beyond the common tendency to miss, dismiss, and avoid suicide
4. Apply the TALK steps: Tell, Ask, Listen, and KeepSafe

5. Know community resources and how to connect someone with thoughts of suicide to them for further help

Register: [HERE](#)

BC ECHO on Substance Use: Care Guidance for Benzodiazepine Prescribing

Sept 28 (Thurs) | 1200-1300pst

Presenter: *Dr. Nadia Fairbairn*

Learning Objectives:

1. Identify the clinical use and safer prescribing practices for benzodiazepine receptor agonists and Z-drugs (BZRAs)
2. Understand the risks associated with long-term BZRA use
3. Discuss alternative treatment options to BZRAs
4. Describe how to design a BZRA taper for patients who have been prescribed BZRAs for an extended period of time

Register: [HERE](#)

SickKids: Concurrent Disorders and Youth Populations: Understanding and Supporting Youth who Use Substances

Sept 28 (Thurs) | 1000-1300pst

Learning Objectives:

1. Identify warning signs that youth are struggling with their mental health/substance use
2. Increase their capacity to engage youth in conversation about substance use
3. Understand the overlapping individual and systemic factors that contribute to challenges with mental health and substance use
4. Learn about maladaptive coping strategies and build skills to teach youth safer coping strategies

Learn More/Register: [HERE](#)

Housing & Emergency Shelters UBC: Nawh wlu'nus'en – We see in two worlds: Trauma sensitive practices for collectively healing in relationship (Level 1)

Sept 28 (Thurs) | 1730-2030pst

Last chance to register for Level 1

Level 1 session is available to currently practicing medical professionals who serve rural BC. Completion of Level 1 is a prerequisite for enrolling in Level 2 or 3 of this curriculum.

Learning Objectives:

1. Learn tangible trauma-sensitive practices for offering health care rooted in cultural understanding and safety for Indigenous Peoples
2. Strengthen appreciation of ancestral land-based healing modalities that have supported trauma release for millennia
3. Understand polyvagal theory and its implications for supporting trauma recovery with Indigenous relatives

4. Deepen empathy and co-regulatory skills as a way of dismantling racism in the health care system and contributing to collective healing

Learn More/Register: [HERE](#)

[UBC: Exploring the Psychedelic Frontier: The Role of Ketamine and Other Psychedelics in Transforming Mood and Anxiety Disorder Treatment](#)

Sept 28 (Thur) | in-person *(Pinnacle Hotel, Vancouver)* / **virtual**

Learn More/Register: [HERE](#)

[UBC: Pacific Psychopharmacology Conference 2023](#)

Sept 29 (Fri) | in-person *(Pinnacle Hotel, Vancouver)* / **virtual**

Some Topics:

1. New Treatments for Psychosis
2. Session 2 has 3 Current Disorder options
 - a. Working with Youth Who Use Substances and Management of the Associated Complexities
 - b. Contraception Counselling and Provision for Women with Serious Mental Illness
 - c. Depression Management: A deep dive into evidence behind medications for depression
3. Mental Health and Indigenous Community Care

Learn More/Register: [HERE](#)

Can't join us live on Sep 29?

All registrations include access to the recorded plenaries and up to four workshops to watch on demand for up to three months after the event.

[BC CDC & Toward the Heart: Housing eOPS](#)

Oct 3 (Tues) | 1200-1300pst

Presenter: *Sandrea Derban, Community Action Initiative & Tara Taylor, SpencerCreo Foundation*

Register: [HERE](#)

[BC CDC & Toward the Heart: Pregnancy & Parenting eOPS](#)

Oct 10 (Tues) | 1200-1300pst

Presenter: *Andrea Derban, Community Action Initiative & Guest*

Register: [HERE](#)

[BCCSU-What's New in Addiction Nurse Practitioner: Flexible OAT Prescribing](#)

Oct 10 (Tues) | 1200-1300pst

Presenter: *Syla Genoway, NP*

Learning Objectives:

1. Review trends in illicit drug deaths
2. Review trends in OAT prescribing

3. Look at data around flexible OAT prescribing as it relates to the COVID 19 pandemic, internationally, nationally and locally
4. Reflect on current practice preferences and how they can be adapted

Register: [HERE](#)

Provincial MHSU Learning Rounds: National Trajectory Project in Forensic Psychopharmacology

Oct 12 (Thurs) | 1200-1300pst

Presenter: *Dr. Joe Goody*

Learning Objectives:

1. Follow the evidence and ensure topics are informed by those we serve through ongoing engagement with people with lived/ living experience
2. Share current and emerging evidence that has the capacity to improve care and advance practice within mental health and substance use across the province
3. Identify and address system-level issues that are barriers to people with mental health and substance use issues having their needs met
4. Engage interdisciplinary teams across our provincial mental health and substance use system in learning together and facilitate knowledge exchange of mental health and substance use programs and practices across the province

Learn more: [HERE](#)

Zoom Link: [Here](#)

Meeting ID: 839 0319 7330

SAVE THE DATE!

- Oct 18 – CSAM Pre-Conference Training – Psychotherapy for Substance Use
- OCT 19-21 – CSAM-SMCA 2023 Scientific Conference – Victoria, BC!
- Oct 28 – 4th Annual WorkSafe BC-NAOEM Joint Conference for Community Physicians [HERE](#)
- Nov 20-22 - CCSA's Issues of Substance 2023 – Vancouver [HERE](#)

Resources /Articles/Studies

- [Prescribed Safer Supply Protocols](#)
 - *BCCSU – Fentanyl Tablet (Aug 2023) & Sufentanil (Aug 2023)*
- [New resources for youth substance use bed-based services in BC](#)
 - *BC Government*
- [Pediatric Cannabis Poisoning Stakeholder Toolkit](#)
 - *CCSA*

Drug Checking Implementation Guide: Lessons learned from a British Columbia drug checking project

The guide is now available under “Manuals & Guidelines”

This implementation guide brings operational knowledge generated through a multi-site British Columbia drug checking evaluation together in one place to provide comprehensive information support for those interested in implementing or expanding drug checking services in their community, region, or province.

www.drugcheckingbc.ca

New Drug Checking Resources

- [Witnessing Overdose and Drug Checking](#)
- [Injecting Alone and Using Drug Checking](#)
- [Change in Opioid Supply During Cheque Week](#)
- [Benzos in the Drug Supply](#)

eLearn Opportunities

- Safe Prescribing - [HERE](#)
- UBC Cannabis Education for Health Care Providers [HERE](#)
- Perinatal Substance Use [HERE](#)
- Safe Prescribing [HERE](#)
- Camh – Teach Self-Study Course: Treating Concurrent Tobacco and Cannabis Use Disorder [Here](#)

Past Webinars

- **BC ECHO on Substance Use Podcast – (season 3 now added) [HERE](#)**
- Provincial Mental Health & Substance Use Learning Rounds [HERE](#)
- National Safer Supply Community of Practice [HERE](#)
- BCCSU & LOUD in the ED – Previous webinars [HERE](#)
- BCCSU Clinical Pearls [HERE](#)
- Lunch & Learn – CanREACH [HERE](#)
- BCCSU What's New Lectures [HERE](#)
- Centre of Excellence for Women's Health. Access past webinars [HERE](#)
- Edgewood also holds webinars for 1.0 CEU's. You can find access to past ones [HERE](#)
- BC ECHO on Substance Use – Didactic presentations recordings [BCCSU's YouTube channel](#)
- If you are looking for any recordings of anything we have advertised here in the past or Amanda Chapman has hosted, please feel free to contact me
- Canadian Nurses Association Past Webinars [CNA - YouTube channel](#)