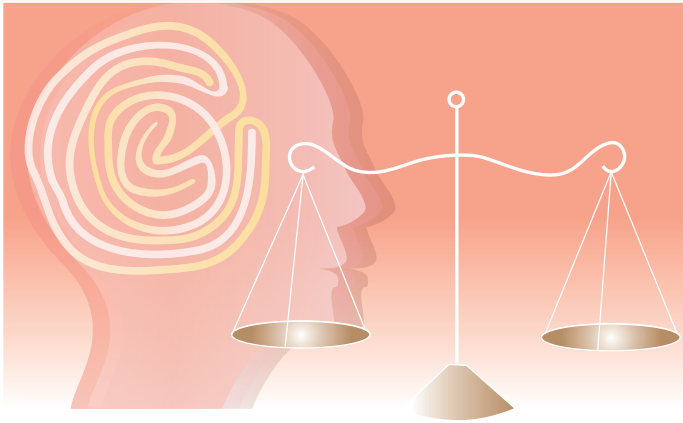


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Youth, Mental Health and the Criminal Justice System



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2014

Delta Fredericton Hotel

225 Woodstock Rd, Fredericton, NB

This conference is intended to bring together many of the actors who are responsible for ensuring equitable treatment for young persons with mental health problems who come into contact with the criminal justice system. Members of the police, mental health organizations, doctors, lawyers and judges will collaborate to present and discuss the latest developments and preferred practices at the often difficult intersection of criminal justice and mental health. The goals of the conference include updating attendees, fostering discussion and enabling participants to emerge with better tools and firmer links to other justice, health and social service professionals and to the community.

Program Agenda

8:00 – 8:45 A.M. **REGISTRATION**

8:45 – 8:55 A.M. **OPENING REMARKS AND PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

The Honourable Justice Michele M. Murphy, Prince Edward Island Court of Appeal, Charlottetown, PE

8:55- 9:10 A.M. **GREETINGS**

The Honourable Graydon Nicholas, Lieutenant Governor, Province of New Brunswick, Fredericton, NB

9:10 - 10:30 A.M. **LIVING IN THE COMMUNITY**

This session will begin by presenting an overview of the ways in which society and the criminal justice system have traditionally responded to the needs of youth with mental health issues. Our panel members all have extensive experience in dealing with youth in the mental health community and are willing to share their experiences.

Chair

Superintendent Mike O'Malley, District Commander, West District, RCMP 'J' Division, Fredericton, NB

Panelists

Robin Ward, Program Coordinator, Canadian Mental Health Association, Fredericton, NB

Inspector Brian Ford, Officer in Charge of the Neighbourhood Action Team (NAT), Fredericton Police Force, Fredericton, NB

Hélène Hamel, Psychologist, Addiction and Mental Health Services, Fredericton, NB

Christian Whalen, Deputy Advocate and Senior Legal Counsel, Office of the Child and Youth Advocate, Fredericton, NB

10:30 - 10:45 A.M. **HEALTH BREAK**

10:45 - 12:00 P.M. **YOUTH WITH MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES, THE POLICE AND THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM**

This session will begin with an historical perspective of the traditional role of police regarding youth with mental health problems and their interaction with the criminal law system. From there, panel members will provide examples of alternative service delivery models and how this experience may be applied to longer term care to reduce recidivism and the strain on the criminal law justice system.

Chair

Sgt. Andrew Blackadar, RCMP Policy Analyst and Crime Reduction Strategy for PEI, Charlottetown, PE

Panelists

Inspector Rick Shaw, Officer in Charge of Atlantic Youth Intervention and Diversion, Fredericton, NB

Paula Finkle, Manager, Youth Justice Services, Community and Correctional Services, Summerside, PE

Michelle MacCallum, Director, Youth and Parent Programming, Women's Network PEI, Charlottetown, PE

12:00 - 1:00 P.M. **LUNCH**

Guest Speaker **"REFLECTIONS ON ASHLEY SMITH"**

Kim Pate, Executive Director, Canadian Association of Elizabeth Fry Societies; Professor, University of Ottawa, Faculty of Law (Common Law section), Ottawa, ON

1:00 - 2:30 P.M. **THERAPEUTIC COURTS FOR YOUTH: PROS, CONS AND ESSENTIAL COMPONENTS**

This program will involve presentations from three panelists who have had significant experience and success with therapeutic courts. The focus of the program will be the process and workings of therapeutic courts which serve youth with mental health needs. The objective of the program is to assist members of the audience in identifying and supporting the mental health needs of youth in a timely manner. At issue here is whether this type of court, as opposed to traditional courts, is better able to address social and personal issues of a young offender - such as poverty, addiction, and/or mental illness - that are often associated factors with the criminal behaviour.

Chair

The Honourable Justice William Goodridge, Supreme Court of Newfoundland and Labrador, Trial Division, St John's, NL

Panelists

The Honourable Judge Alfred Brien, Provincial Court of New Brunswick, Saint John, NB

The Honourable Judge David Orr, Provincial Court of Newfoundland and Labrador, St John's, NL

Dr Mary Ann Campbell, Professor, Psychology Department, University of New Brunswick, Saint John, NB

2:30 - 2:45 P.M. **HEALTH BREAK**

2:45 - 4:00 P.M. **THE ROLE OF THE CRIMINAL CODE REVIEW BOARD**

Criminal Code Review Boards are usually mandated to review the status of persons found unfit to stand trial and those found not criminally responsible because of mental disorder. Recognizing that mentally disordered persons may require a health- focused response rather than a penal response, the Canadian Criminal Code Review Board stakeholders will examine Atlantic Canada's preparedness to respond to youth at risk, in particular.

Panel members will discuss the possibility of strengthening our capacity for an earlier response, ostensibly in the name of enhanced public safety and to optimize positive outcomes for youth. As well, they will examine the use of a person/family centered approach as opposed to the current fragmented approach to mental health and justice.

Chair

Michele Dorsey, Chair, Criminal Code Review Board for PEI, Charlottetown, PE

Panelists

Nancy Savoie, Member, National Youth Advisory Committee, Mental Health Commission of Canada, Halifax NS

4:00 - 4:25 P.M. **CONCLUSIONS – PUTTING ALL THE PIECES TOGETHER**

Each of the four panels, through a chosen representative, will provide a summary of the day's events and a proposal for what needs to happen in both the short and long term to achieve a goal of providing a better service to youth with mental health problems who are at risk and who are involved with the criminal law justice system.

Chair

Superintendent Mike O'Malley, District Commander, West District, RCMP 'J' Division, Fredericton, NB

Panel Members

Representative from each of the four (4) sessions

4:25-4:30 P.M. **CLOSING REMARKS**

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Brian J. McKenna, Q.C., Executive Director, Strategic Initiatives, Charlottetown, PE

Who will attend?

- **Law enforcement professionals**
- **Mental Health Providers**
- **Legal and Mental Health Professionals**
- **Judges**
- **Adjudicators**
- **Crown and Defence Counsel.**

REGISTRATION FORM

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Should weather conditions prevent travel on the scheduled date, the seminar will be rescheduled for a later date within 3 months.

ACCOMMODATION: A block of rooms has been reserved at The **Delta Fredericton Hotel**, 225 Woodstock Rd, Fredericton, NB, E3B 2H8, Tel : 1-800-268-1133 or 506-457-7000, meet@deltahotels.com, <https://www.deltahotels.com/Hotels/Delta-Fredericton> at \$ 140 single or double occupancy (taxes not included). **Participants outside of Fredericton are required to make their own hotel reservations before January 22, 2014 and refer to CIAJ to take advantage of this rate.**

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Please register as soon as possible!