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Mental Health and the Law

Health Law

Date: Monday, April 04, 2022 | 9:00 am to 4:30 pm

Location: Webinar Only

Program Chair: Rozmin Mediratta, Healthcare Insurance Reciprocal of

Canada (HIROC) (Toronto)



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This program contains: 15m of Professionalism Content 6hr 45m of Substantive Content

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Join us to explore the intersection between mental health and the law. Our expert panels will discuss a range of critical topics, including:

- how mental health is addressed in the regulation of health professionals
- issues with consent to treatment
- legal liability arising from mental health care; and
- advice for navigating challenges in the practice of mental health law.

Gather valuable insights and helpful strategies to ensure you have the required tools to help your clients as you navigate the growing area of mental health law.

9:00 am Welcome and Opening Remarks

9:05 am Keynote Address - Health and Humanity: The Complexity of Caring as a Health Law Professional

Kara Hardin, Kara Hardin Mental Health Consulting & Clinical Counselling (Toronto)

This keynote address will explore the dimensions of care involved in the practice of health law, and how caring resonates and impacts our own health and lives beyond the profession.

9:30 am Mental Health and the Regulation of Health Professionals Moderators:

Shannon Gaudet, Lerners LLP (Toronto)
Colin Johnston, Lenczner Slaght LLP (Toronto)
Speakers:

Dr. Jon Novick, Ontario Medical Association (Toronto)
Nada Nicola-Howorth, Lerners (Toronto)

Amy Block, College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario

Join our panel of experts as they unravel how health regulators and employers manage mental health issues, including:

- Mental health challenges in the health professions;
- Relationship between mental illness and misconduct;
- Non-disciplinary responses to mental health

11:00 am Wellness Break

11:10 am Issues with Consent to Treatment

Moderator:

John Hunter, Borden Ladner Gervais LLP (Toronto)

Speakers:

Kendra Naidoo, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health

(Toronto)

Naveen Hassan, Borden Ladner Gervais LLP (Toronto)

Dr. Jonathan Hsu, Humber River Hospital (Toronto)

Lonny Rosen, C.S., Rosen Sunshine LLP (Toronto)

This panel will discuss mental health and involuntary treatment of clients in the criminal justice system, including;

- Consent in the youth population;
- Consent in the forensic system;
- Appeals of findings of incapacity;
- Challenges with substitute decision makers

12:30 pm Lunch Break

12:50 pm A Psychiatrist's Mental Health Journey

Dr. Michelle Marlborough, Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, Western University (London)

A psychiatrist's experience with major depression during her residency.

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1:30 pm Mental Health Care and Legal Liability

Moderator:

Rozmin Mediratta, Healthcare Insurance Reciprocal of

Canada (HIROC) (Toronto)

Speakers:

Katharine Byrick, Borden Ladner Gervais LLP (Toronto)

Melanie de Wit, Unity Health Toronto (Toronto)

Dr. Saulo Castel, Sunnybrook Hospital (Toronto)

Gather insights on legal liability arising from mental health care for health organizations and professionals, including;

- Risk management and the standard of care;
- Investigating and reviewing adverse events

3:00pm Wellness Break

3:10 pm Perspectives from the Bench

Moderator:

Jessica Szabo, Ontario Health (Toronto)

Speaker:

The Honourable Darla Wilson, Superior Court of Justice

(Toronto)

Join our fireside chat with Justice Wilson, where we will discuss navigating common issues that arise in both civil litigation and tribunal matters:

- Self represented litigants and capacity issues;
- Common procedural issues that arise in CCB appeals

4:30 pm Closing Remarks

4:35pm Program Concludes

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