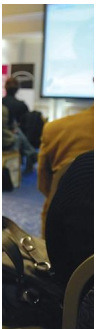


SIMCOE COUNTY & YORK REGION

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*Understanding
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DID YOU KNOW?

FASD is one of the leading neurodevelopmental disabilities in Canada.
It impacts 4% of Canadians. That's more than autism, cerebral palsy, and
down syndrome combined! *CanFASD Website*

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3rd, 2023

7:30am—8:15am

Registration/Continental Breakfast

8:15am—8:30am

Welcome/Introductions

8:30am—10:00am

Dr. Shaniff Esmail

FASD & SEXUAL IDENTITY: FACILITATING HEALTHY EXPRESSION—Session 1

The morning session will lay the foundation regarding sexuality and FASD, emphasizing the importance of sexual identity and the barriers that prevent its development, which impact healthy sexual expression. This section provides a comprehensive understanding of the unique challenges that individuals with FASD face in this area of their lives.

10:15am—11:45am

Colleen McCulloch, Alexandra Crawford, Kelly Beale

HUMAN TRAFFICKING

This session will cover a lot of great information starting with Colleen and Alexandra providing an outline of what human trafficking is and how it happens. Kelly will follow with both legal, non-legal options and wrap-around supports available to survivors of human trafficking, and their families, to help escape a trafficking situation. Kelly will continue to speak about her unique role as a free lawyer and how for example she can assist in obtaining human trafficking restraining orders as an alternative to entering the criminal justice system, or, following a conviction after a sentence is served to extend period of protection.

11:45am—12:30pm

LUNCH

12:30pm—1:00pm

Sally Seabrook

MACKENZIE HEALTH—FASD COMMUNITY CLINIC

The Power of Community Collaboration – CBHS' Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) Behaviour Support Clinic Turns 15! This celebratory spotlight session will provide a snapshot of how we've been able to get here, an overview of the clinic and its role in Simcoe County/York Region, our partnerships and a case example/testimonial for further discussion.

1:00pm—2:30pm

Dr. Shaniff Esmail

FASD & SEXUAL IDENTITY: FACILITATING HEALTHY EXPRESSION—Session 2

The afternoon session will provide practical strategies for facilitating healthy sexual identity and expression, exploring ways to enhance communication, promote safety, and foster positive relationships. This part will highlight specific techniques that participants can use to help individuals with FASD develop healthy sexual identities and express their sexuality safely and tailored to their unique needs.

2:45pm—4:15pm

Geraldine Crisci M.S.W., RP

THE POWER OF HOPE: RENEWING COMMITMENT AND RE-ENERGIZING IN A CHANGING WORLD

During the past three years, we have faced numerous changes in both our personal and professional lives. The pain, anxiety and sense of despair experienced by the families we serve have presented unprecedented complexities to service delivery. This new reality invites us to consider a new perspective on wellness and support in health and mental health service provision. In many ways, while the problems are not new, the complexities are different. Additionally, the context of pandemic and post-pandemic conditions, are new. This keynote will focus on understanding the implications for practice within this new context. Professionals in our fields have impressively "stepped up" to the many challenges of our times. The cost, however, has been considerable. All the helpers, while helping, were also living through the same challenging times. How have these experiences translated for each of us? How do we understand the difficulties we have learned about today through the many workshops offered in this conference, within the context of the effects on ourselves? In our time together, we will have a few moments to reflect on our current level of impact; adopt new ways of gaining personal and professional support; and learn new skills to assist in processing and transforming our experiences. We will then consider what commitment renewal means and how to realistically refuel and re-energize our collective efforts.



CONFERENCE SPEAKERS

Dr. SHANIFF ESMAIL



Dr. Shaniff Esmail is a distinguished professor and Occupational Therapist, currently serving as the Chair of the Department of Occupational Therapy at the University of Alberta. He is a best-selling author and renowned expert in sexuality and disability. As an accomplished educator, Dr. Esmail teaches various courses within the faculties of Rehabilitation Medicine at the University of Alberta. He is also a pioneer in the field, having developed the first Canadian post-graduate certificate in sexual health at the University of Alberta. Dr. Esmail's areas of expertise include sexuality and disability, sexual health education for individuals with disabilities, and technology to enhance teaching and learning. He is committed to promoting sexual well-being for individuals with disabilities and serves as the Vice President of the Alberta Society for the Promotion of Sexual Health.

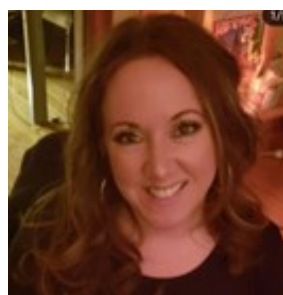
COLLEEN MCCULLOCH



Colleen McCulloch has dedicated the last 30 years of her life to child welfare advocating for the well-being, safety, and rights of children and youth who intersect with the child welfare system. Colleen's career and passion for child protection began in the early 1990s in Thunder Bay, Ontario. After moving to southern Ontario, Colleen began working for Durham Children's Aid Society, ensuring the safety, well-being, and best interests of children and youth who are at risk of or experiencing maltreatment. Later in 2018, Colleen was given the opportunity to continue in the field with Dnaagdawenmag Binnoojiiyag Child and Services, an Indigenous-centred organization, where she is today.

Colleen continues her advocacy and allyship for Indigenous children, youth, and families in Child Welfare to this day through her profound expertise. Colleen currently supervises the Indigenous Anti-human trafficking initiatives for Dnaagdawenmag Binnoojiiyag Child and Family Services. Her scope of work includes overseeing the CARE team, Indigenous Anti-Human Trafficking liaison workers in each region of the agency and supporting the clinical work in our specialized Indigenous community caregiver home for survivors of Human Trafficking. Alongside her career accomplishments, Colleen is a mother of 4 and a lover of cats who continues to reside in the Durham region.

ALEXANDRA CRAWFORD



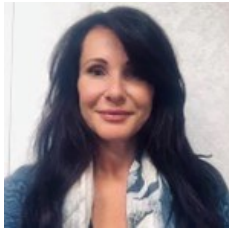
Alexandra Marie Crawford is an Indigenous woman. Her father is Indigenous, Algonquin from Golden Lake First Nation. They are from the Bear Clan. Her mother was born in Ireland. Alexandra graduated from Ryerson University with a Bachelor of Social Work in June 2000. Her current role is Senior Manager in the Central Region for Dnaagdawenmag Binnoojiiyag Child & Family Services. She led the Anti Human Trafficking Portfolio within the organization and is driven by the want to help people. Her passion is to work with Indigenous people and to help and support Indigenous people primarily in a Child Welfare setting. She has been with Dnaagdawenmag

Binnoojiiyag since June 2018. Her previous roles held within this field include a Supervisor at Native Child and Family Services in Toronto from June 2006- June 2018, and prior to that, a Protection Worker at Peel Children's Aid Society from Sept 2000 to June 2006.



CONFERENCE SPEAKERS

KELLY BEALE



Kelly Beale was a Crown Attorney in Toronto from 2001-2017. She prosecuted all types of criminal offences, specializing in child abuse and exploitation, multi-victim, and high-profile sexual violence cases. She was a designated mentor for junior crowns on sexual violence prosecutions and a designated human trafficking prosecution crown. Since 2017, she has been leading Ontario's Legal Support Program for Victims of Human Trafficking. As independent counsel for victims of human trafficking, Kelly provides confidential legal advice and support to victims of human trafficking across the province to help them escape their trafficking situations. She often obtains human trafficking restraining orders, preventing traffickers from having any contact with their victims, or others at risk, while also connecting survivors with wrap-around supports. Kelly participated in the development of Ontario's Anti-Human Trafficking Act and currently educates police, lawyers, judges, child welfare agencies, medical professionals, educators, anti-human trafficking coalitions, front line workers, and service providers on provincial human trafficking legislation. She regularly presents at human trafficking conferences and educational seminars, including survivor empowerment programs, on her unique role and how it can assist others in their efforts to end human trafficking.

SALLY SEABROOK



Sally Seabrook is a Coordinator for the Centre of Behaviour Health Sciences at Mackenzie Health, where she has specialized in the field of dual diagnosis for 25 years working with children and adults. For the last 15 years, her focus has been creating and sustaining services focused to better support individuals diagnosed with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder and their caregivers. Sally clinically oversees a community-based behaviour support clinic and a section 23 educational program for students with FASD. As well, she coordinates the new Ministry funded diagnostic resource in Central region as well as North Simcoe Muskoka region which is operated in partnership with Waypoint Centre for Mental Health. This fully funded assessment service came from the pilot work conducted in partnership with the Simcoe County District School Board and Simcoe Muskoka Family Connexions. Sally also cochairs the Simcoe County FASD Advisory and is a current member of the York Region FASD Advisory.

GERALDINE CRISCI *MSW., RP*



Geraldine Crisci is a trauma expert with over 35 years experience in the field. She is a private practitioner and a member of CPRO who provides assessment and treatment to children, youth, and their families. She is also a professional trainer providing educational programs to mental health, protective services, law enforcement, medical and other helping profession. Geraldine developed and teaches the 6 day Trauma Assessment and Treatment Program for Safeguards which has reached 2500 professionals in the past 15 years. Geraldine has developed protocols for the assessment and treatment of trauma, sexualized behaviour problems and sibling sexual abuse. She specializes in clinical consultation to both protection and mental health agencies on children and youth presenting with complex trauma. Geraldine has developed reunification protocol for families and has provided support to agencies and families in successful adoption of children from the Protection system. For over 20 years, she has also worked with residential treatment programs for children and youth. Geraldine specializes in addressing the impact of trauma on the behaviour of children and youth. To this end she develops clinical programs to provide children, youth and their families with corrective effective therapeutic intervention. Geraldine is a member of the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children (APSAC). She co-authored Paper Dolls and Paper Airplanes: Therapeutic Exercises for Sexually Traumatized Children.

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