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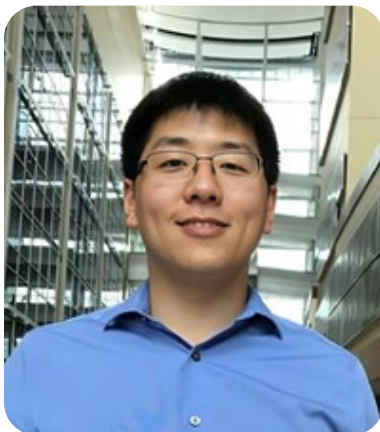
Lunch & Learn Series

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Suicides of Elderly Patients Connected to Mental Health Services from 1999-2024



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This presentation will describe the findings from analysis of quality assurance team data of suicide deaths occurring between March 1999 and February 2024 in patients aged 60+ who were connected to the Addiction and Mental Health (AMH) Program in Alberta. The most common factors in these suicides were identified, with comparison of male and female cases to determine if certain factors were more common in one gender. We identified 48 cases of suicide, with 60% occurring in males. We describe the characteristics of suicides studied and how these can inform suicide prevention efforts within the AMH program in Alberta.



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