

Complex Service Needs Newsletter

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Calgary Learning Forum—January 23, 2015

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Edmonton Learning Forum

If you attended please consider completing the survey

Feedback Survey

We were pleased to host 4 speakers on Dec 4 who delivered information regarding:

- Improving communications with Dynamite Coaching
- Research news with Dr Suzette Bremault-Phillips
- Developmental Psychiatry content with Dr. Thakker & Dr. Orimalade

We are now accepting registration for participants to join us at the Complex Needs & Community Learning Forum.

Friday, January 23, 2015

10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

There is no cost to attend & lunch is provided.

South Health Campus, Auditorium

[Register Here to attend January 23](#)

The Complex Needs Initiative is hosting a Learning Forum, in Calgary, to bring together health, government, and community partners to spend time together learning about each other, reviewing and improving communication skills, relevant research, and matters affecting our clients.

For more info contact:

complexneeds@albertahealthservices.ca

Consider submitting a poster highlighting your current successes and let's fill all 125 spots.

Check out the co-winner of CAMH's Breakthrough Challenge,

Dr Yona Lunsky.

Watch Dr. Lunsky's video and be inspired by her dedication. Dual Diagnosis research was chosen to receive \$5,000 to further work being

Communications - A LEGO® SERIOUS PLAY® will be presented. It is designed to enhance engagement, business performance and strategic innovation in large and small organizations. From the outside, a LEGO® SERIOUS PLAY® workshop may just look like playing with Lego, but the structured process elicits deep thinking, powerful story telling, authentic collaboration and problem solving of complex challenges that organizations, businesses and communities face. In this short workshop Ben will explain how the method works and participants will be guided through a LEGO® SERIOUS PLAY®

Specialized Services - You will hear from specialized community based providers (autism, psychiatry). Come with questions...

Networking - through the use of poster presentations and a fun activity, a unique opportunity will be presented to connect with other agencies and services, all serving complex needs clients.

accomplished through CAMH Dual Diagnosis Program research.

Click on the below links to find out more about the work being accomplished in this growing field.

<http://www.camhbreakthroughchallenge.ca/#lunsky>

<https://www.porticonetwork.ca/web/hcardd>

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Have you connected with other Service Providers recently? In your own backyard or across Canada? David Hingsburger encourages all supports for Complex Needs Populations to communicate widely with each other. Try to connect with someone new today.

To support front line knowledge

Specialized Learning Resources

Websites with learning material/resources

FASD learning

[FASD Outreach Resources](#)

[FASD Learning Series](#)

Aboriginal Health Program (AHS)

[AHS Link for more information](#)

[Internal AHS Health](#) (only available on Insite)

Autism

[Government of AB Services Directory](#)

[Centre for Autism Services](#)

Addiction & Mental Health Supports

[AHS Addictions services Directory](#)

[Government of AB Directory](#)

[Alberta Employment First Strategy](#)

Information Sharing Strategy

The [Information Sharing Strategy](#) (click on this link to access more info) is being implemented to ensure government and service delivery partners can share information to make the best decisions possible for the health, education and safety of Albertans.

Contact ISS to find out more

1-780-638-1372 or

Toll free in Alberta 310-0000

hs.infosharing@gov.ab.ca

[Click this link to access the Webinar on December 17 at 11am](#)

Provincial Resource: Calgary Sexual Health Centre

A comprehensive program to create comfort and skill building to support people with developmental disabilities achieve healthy sexuality programming and training and support to organizations that serve people with developmental disabilities. Becky Van Tassel is presenting via webinar on January 21, 2015, however you can contact the agency any time for information on how they may be able to assist you in working with this often sensitive topic. Watch for an opportunity to attend a workshop where Becky will assist Community providers in building their own meaningful Capacity Building Workshop. Becky Van Tassel: 403.283-5580 ext 317 or email: bvantassel@calgarysexualhealth.ca

Complex Needs Webinar Learning Series

Monthly online webinar series has confirmed content for December, January and February Presentations.

Every Third Wednesday 11 am

December 17, 2014—

Information Sharing Strategy: [eLearning series and supporting resources](#) presentation.

January 21, 2015 - The Calgary Sexual Health Center presents:

sexuality is a human rights concern and teaching that sexuality is more than sex.

February 18, 2015—Harm Reduction in the context of considering the unique complex needs population.

For more information and to express your interest in receiving the monthly webinar links contact:

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