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Finding the balance of public and private in health care
March 5-6 Vancouver

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HEALTH POLICY CONFERENCE
Welcome

The UBC Centre for Health Services and Policy Research warmly welcomes you to Vancouver and our 32nd Annual Health Policy Conference.

At this year’s conference we will explore the long-standing debates about the mix of public and private financing in our health care system. With a decision in the Cambie trial due to be released in the coming months, these issues will once again be thrust into the public spotlight. Given this, we felt it was important to gather some of the most prominent thinkers in Canada and internationally to share their expertise and insight on these debates.

Over the next day and a half, we will examine the legal and constitutional foundations that underpin Canada’s health care system and the scientific evidence about how different systems perform. On Day 1, we will focus on how Canada pays for hospital and physician care—mostly through public funds—and explore how it’s done in other countries, including Australia and selected European countries. On Day 2, we will shift the conversation to consider two major components of our system that are largely funded privately: prescription drugs and dental care. Finally, we will close with a talk from our former federal Minister of Health on the past, present, and future of the Canada Health Act. Beyond the conference speakers, poster presentations can be viewed at your leisure and during the dedicated poster reception at the end of Day 1.

We are delighted to have gathered such an esteemed group of speakers to share their experience and wisdom with our diverse conference attendees, including patients, community members, policy experts, decision-makers, researchers, government, clinicians, academics, lawyers, and students. Thank you for joining us, and we look forward to engaging in many excellent discussions during our time together.

Sincerely,

Michael Law
Conference co-chair
Director, Centre for Health Services and Policy Research

Karen Palmer
Conference co-chair
Adjunct Professor, Simon Fraser University
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## Day 1: Thursday, March 5

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Day 2: Friday, March 6
8:00 am Breakfast
9:00 am Welcome and Poster Awards
   Michael Law, UBC Centre for Health Services and Policy Research
9:15 am The Future of Financing for Prescription Drugs and Dental Care
   Chairs Marilyn Parker, Patient Partner; Jason Sutherland, UBC Centre for Health Services and Policy Research
   National Pharmacare: Rolling stone or mossy boulder?
   Speaker Fiona Clement, University of Calgary O’Brien Institute for Public Health
   Solving a mystery: A tale of two cities and loose ends
   Speaker Carlos Quiñonez, University of Toronto Faculty of Dentistry
   Audience Q&A
10:30 am Refreshment break
10:45 am Closing Address
   Chair Karen Palmer, Simon Fraser University
   The Canada Health Act: Fold, hold, or raise?
   Speaker The Honourable Jane Philpott, P.C., Former Member of Parliament and Special Advisor on Health, Nishnawbe Aski Nation
   Audience Q&A
11:45 am Wrap Up
   Michael Law, UBC Centre for Health Services and Policy Research

12:15 pm IHSPR Strategic Planning Town Hall
   Participants must be pre-registered
1:45 pm Workshop | Moving Towards a Learning Health System in Primary Care in BC
   Participants must be pre-registered

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Speakers

Steven Barrett

Steven Barrett is the Managing Partner at Goldblatt Partners LLP, where he practices in the areas of constitutional, administrative and union labour law. He joined Sack Goldblatt Mitchell, now Goldblatt Partners, in 1985, has been a partner since 1988, and has served as managing partner since 2006. Steven appears before a variety of labour and administrative tribunals, and represents broader public sector trade unions and professional associations (including medical residents and physician groups) in both collective bargaining negotiations and arbitration, and on a range of strategic and policy matters. Steven also litigates before the courts on judicial review applications and appeals, and has an active practice under the Charter of Rights and Freedoms, including appearing as counsel before the Supreme Court of Canada in various freedom of association cases.

Anne-marie Boxall

Anne-marie Boxall is a 2019–20 Australian Harkness Fellow in Health Care Policy and Practice. She is the Assistant Secretary, Long-term Health Reform Branch, with the Australian Government Department of Health. In this role, Anne-marie has led the policy development to support long-term health system reform in Australia, and has been extensively involved in negotiating the 2020-2025 National Health Reform Agreement with states and territories. In her career, she has worked across the government, non-government and academic sectors. She is an Adjunct Associate Professor with the Menzies Centre for Health Policy at The University of Sydney and has published on a wide range of health policy topics for academic and non-academic audiences, including Making Medicare: The Politics of Universal Health Care in Australia (2013).

Fiona Clement

Fiona Clement is an Associate Professor and the Director of the Health Technology Assessment Unit within the O’Brien Institute for Public Health at the University of Calgary, a policy responsive research unit that completes evidence synthesis, economic evaluations, health technology assessments and reassessments in response to decision-makers’ needs. Her research interests include drug and non-drug technology reimbursement and cost containment policy, evidence in decision-making, and evidence in health policy development. In 2015, she was named one of Calgary’s Top 40 under 40 for her work in health policy.

Damien Contandriopoulos

Damien Contandriopoulos is Professor and Associate Director of Research at the University of Victoria School of Nursing. His main areas of research are focused on the analysis of health policy-making processes, the use of evidence in decision-making and the analysis of high-performing models of health care delivery.
Speakers

Colleen M. Flood
Colleen M. Flood is a professor and a University Research Chair in Health Law and Policy at the University of Ottawa. She is inaugural director of the University of Ottawa Centre for Health Law, Policy and Ethics. From 2000-2015 she was a Professor and Canada Research Chair at the Faculty of Law, University of Toronto, with cross-appointments to the School of Public Policy and the Institute of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation. From 2006-2011 she served as the Scientific Director of the CIHR Institute of Health Services and Policy Research. Her primary areas of scholarship are in comparative health care law and policy, public/private financing of health care systems, health care reform, constitutional law, administrative law, and accountability and governance issues more broadly. Her book *The Right to Health at the Public/Private Divide*, co-edited with Aeyal Gross of Tel-Aviv University, was published in 2014.

Sarah de Leeuw
Sarah de Leeuw is a professor in the Northern Medical Program and in Geography at the University of Northern BC. She holds a Canada Research Chair in Humanities and Health Inequities. An award winning researcher and creative writer whose work focuses broadly on marginalized peoples and geographies, she grew up and has spent most of her life in Northern BC, including Haida Gwaii and Terrace. She is the Research Director of the Health Arts Research Centre and teaches in the areas of Indigenous peoples well-being and health humanities. Her research sits at the crossroads of social-cultural geography, health-humanities, social determinants of health, and anti-colonial methodologies.

Jeremiah Hurley
Jeremiah Hurley is Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences; Professor and former Chair in the Department of Economics; a member of the Centre for Health Economics and Policy Analysis, and a member of the Department of Health Research Methods, Evidence, and Impact, all at McMaster University. His research on the economics of health and health care systems includes physician behaviour, funding models and resource allocation in health care, public and private roles in health care financing, financial incentives in health systems, equity in health systems, normative frameworks in health economics, and the application of experimental economic methods in health research. He has published in leading health economics, health policy, and health services research journals and has acted as a consultant to regional, provincial, national and international agencies.

Jane Philpott
The Honourable Jane Philpott, P.C. is a medical doctor and former Member of Parliament. She served in numerous cabinet positions from 2015 to 2019, including Minister of Health, Minister of Indigenous Services, President of the Treasury Board and Minister of Digital Government. She played a lead role in policies that have shaped Canada: bringing Syrian refugees to Canada; legislating a balanced approach to Medical Assistance in Dying; negotiating a health accord with new resources for mental health and home care; improving infrastructure for First Nations to provide clean water on reserve; and reforming child welfare to reduce the over-apprehension of Indigenous children. She is currently a Special Adviser on Health for Nishnawbe Aski Nation, an organization representing 49 First Nation communities across Treaty 9 and Treaty 5 in northern Ontario, and will serve as Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences and Director of the School of Medicine at Queen’s University beginning in July 2020.
Speakers

Carlos Quiñonez
Carlos Quiñonez is a dental public health specialist and Associate Professor and Program Director at the Faculty of Dentistry at the University of Toronto. He graduated with a DMD from the Faculty of Dentistry at the University of Manitoba in 1998, and completed an MSc at the University of Manitoba Faculty of Medicine in 2004. He then completed a PhD and dental public health specialty at the University of Toronto in 2009. His research centres on the politics and economics of dentistry, with a specific focus on health and social equity.

Sarah Thomson
Sarah Thomson is a Senior Health Financing Specialist at the World Health Organization Barcelona Office for Health Systems Strengthening. Formerly an Associate Professor in the Department of Social Policy at the London School of Economics and Political Science and Head of the London School of Economics Hub of the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies, Sarah was a member of the European Commission’s Expert Panel on Effective Ways of Investing in Health from 2013 to 2016. Her work focuses on comparative health systems policy analysis in high- and middle-income countries.

BJ Wray
BJ Wray is General Counsel with the federal Department of Justice in the Vancouver regional office. BJ’s primary practice area is constitutional litigation and, in particular, cases involving challenges to federal legislation under Canada’s Charter of Rights and Freedoms. BJ is lead counsel for the Attorney General of Canada in the Cambie Surgeries litigation which is a Charter claim brought by Dr. Brian Day and several individual patient plaintiffs against the sections of BC’s Medicare Protection Act that prevent extra-billing and user charges, dual practice and the sale of duplicative private insurance. BJ’s other recent Charter cases include challenges to the prohibition on physician-assisted suicide (Carter and Lamb) as well as challenges to Canada’s medical marijuana regime (Allard and Garber).
Posters

1. The Canadian Data Platform: Opening the door for Canada-wide research
   Sarah Kesselring, Population Data BC, University of BC

2. Strengthening Commitment for Improvement Together: A Policy Framework for Patient Safety
   Jan Byrd, Canadian Patient Safety Institute

3. Optimizing nursing roles in Nova Scotia: A rapid review
   Mark Embrett, St. Francis Xavier University

4. Intrauterine contraception in BC: Protocol for population-based data analyses to examine service access and costs
   K. Suzanne Maginley, School of Population and Public Health, University of BC

5. Use of interrupted time series method in the evaluation of health system quality improvement interventions: A methodological systematic review
   Celestin Hategeka, UBC Centre for Health Services and Policy Research

6. Simulation studies to inform program planning and analysis: Bridging research and practice
   Jonathan Beaumier, UBC Centre for Health Services and Policy Research

7. The hiccups of using health administrative data to build real world evidence for a learning health system in lung cancer care in Quebec
   Samia Qureshi, Institut national d’excellence en santé et en services sociaux and McGill University

8. Patient-sharing and cost of care among survivors of childhood, adolescent and young adult cancer
   Katrin Julia Kaal, School of Population and Public Health, University of BC

9. Adherence to adjuvant endocrine therapy in breast cancer: A BC perspective
   Leah K. Lambert, BC Cancer and UBC School of Nursing

10. A model-based economic evaluation of psychedelic-assisted psychotherapy in BC
    Magda Aguiar, University of BC

11. Assessing the effect of Choosing Wisely recommendations on use of testosterone therapy in BC: An interrupted time series study
    Richard Musoke, UBC Centre for Health Services and Policy Research

12. Development of the Patient and Public Involvement Questionnaire (PPIQ) for Canadian drug funding committees
    Lee Verweel, Ryerson University

13. Out-of-pocket expenditure on unavailable medicines in public system
    Jéssica de Castro Alves, René Rachou Institute – Oswaldo Cruz Foundation

14. Is the unregulated private pharmacies sector a solution to the affordability of medicines?
    Hinda Ruton, UBC Centre for Health Services and Policy Research

15. Integrating geography into health services research study design
    Lauren Jewett, Department of Geography and Planning, University of Toronto

    Kimberly Sharpe, Partnership for Work, Health and Safety, University of BC

17. The effects of outsourcing orthopedic care in the English National Health Service
    Samantha Burn, Harvard University
Posters

18. Managing and regulating contracted services in non-hospital facilities
   John Sproule, Institute of Health Economics

19. National health expenditure trends product review: Ensuring the right questions are being answered for Canada
   Chantal Couris, Canadian Institute for Health Information

20. How much does the private sector contribute to financing health care in Canada?
   Jean He and Alain Yao, Canadian Institute for Health Information

21. Creating clinician-oriented videos to increase the use of the Data Presentation Tool for practice quality improvement within the Canadian Care Sentinel Surveillance Network
   Ellah McMurray, BC – Canadian Primary Care Sentinel Surveillance Network

22. Can safer prescribing also save money? Personalized prescriber portraits in primary care
   Rita McCracken, University of BC

23. Environmental scan of privately funded primary care in Canada
   Aidan Bodner, Simon Fraser University

24. Environmental scan of virtual primary care in Canada
   Spencer Matthewman, Simon Fraser University

25. Primary care redesign: Evidence synthesis
   L. Olivia Tseng, Center for Clinical Epidemiology & Evaluation

26. Enhancing the identification and management of frailty in primary care
   Manpreet Thandi, School of Nursing and Centre for Health Services and Policy Research, University of BC

27. Primary Care Pathways: A demonstration trial of a proposed model to improve integration of mental health care for young people and their families in Ontario
   Ashley Radomski, Ontario Centre for Excellence for Child and Youth Mental Health

28. Mind the gap: Comparing treated prevalence of mental and substance use disorders in BC with expected prevalence based on epidemiological literature
   Ridhwana Kaoser, Centre for Applied Research in Mental Health and Addiction, Simon Fraser University

29. I used to tell them by pointing and acting: Language as a mediator of sexual and reproductive health services for immigrant and refugee women in BC
   Mei-ling Wiedmeyer, Centre for Gender and Sexual Health Equity, Simon Fraser University

30. Role of community-based organizations in addressing gaps in public health and settlement services for im/migrant women: Qualitative findings from a community-based study in Metro Vancouver, BC (2018-2019)
   Stefanie Machado, Centre for Gender and Sexual Health Equity, Simon Fraser University

31. Building strength: A Quesnel Dakelh Education & Employment Society collaboration with UBC
   Veena Mudaliar, University of BC

32. Informing a National Autism Strategy: An inquiry into the autism policy of two Canadian provinces
   Stephanie Côté, Ryerson University

33. Administrative data analysis of family disability service use among families with young children with disabilities
   Matthew Russell, University of Calgary
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