

VIRTUAL SOLUTIONS FOR SUBSTANCE USE CARE CONFERENCE

# Conference Program

DEC 9-10 2020



Time (PST) Presentation

**11:00 am Opening Remarks**

**Rita Notarandrea** - CEO, Canadian Centre for Substance Use and Addiction

**Michael Krausz** - Leadership Chair, Addiction Research UBC

- Chair, WPA section for informatics and telemedicine

**11:15 am Block 1: Risk Assessment, Management, and Predictive Modelling**

**Chair**

**Franco Vaccarino** - Chair, Scientific Advisory Council, Canadian Centre for Substance Use and Addiction

- Professor of Psychology and Neuroscience, University of Guelph

**11:20 am Keynote Presentation**

**Michael Krausz** - Leadership Chair, Addiction Research, University of British Columbia

- Chair, World Psychiatric Association section for informatics and telemedicine

11:50 am Coffee Break

**12:00 pm Workshops**

1. **Alireza Kazemi and Andy Tai** - The Application of Machine Learning Methods and Predictive Modelling in the Field of Addiction Psychiatry
2. **Michael Krausz and Damon Ramsey** - Risk Assessment and Management Platform
3. **Michael Schaub** - Responding to Cocaine and Stimulant Use
4. **Lydia Sequeira and Sarah Younus** - Training to Apply Artificial Intelligence
5. **Marisha Boyd and Kate Phillips** - Meta Cognitive Training for Substance Use
6. **Peter Selby** - Collaborative Practices Using Web-Based Tools

1:00 pm Active Break - gentle guided stretching at your desk

**1:10 pm Lightning Talks and ePoster Presentations**

**Kimia Ziafat** - Symptom Tracking in the Risk Assessment and Management Platform

**Stewart Thornhill** - The Personal Sanity Index: A Behavioral Tool for Sobriety Maintenance

**Sandra Palmaro** - COVID-19 Sheds Light on New Possibilities for Online Therapy and Counselling

**Mostafa Kamel** - Virtual Mental Health Clinic for Egyptian University Students

**Ben Carey** - Transitioning a Therapy Dog Program Online During the COVID-19 Pandemic: Lessons Learned

**Alizé Soares and Elliot Stone** - ALAViDA: Work-Focused Addiction Treatment



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**2:00 pm Block 2: Prevention of High Risk Substance Use and Overdose**

**Chair**

**Fiona Choi**- Research Associate, Addictions and Concurrent Disorders Research Group, University of British Columbia

**2:05 pm Keynote Presentation**

**Maree Teesson** - Director, The Matilda Centre for Research in Mental Health and Substance Use

2:35 pm Coffee Break

**2:45 pm Workshops**

7. **Severin Haug** - eHealth Programs for Addiction Prevention Among Adolescents in Switzerland
8. **Maree Teesson, Kylie Routledge, Smriti Nepal** - Strong and Deadly Futures/Positive Choices
9. **Daniel Vigo** - Responding to the double challenge of COVID and overdose
10. **Fiona Choi and Kerry Jang** - What do BC citizens of different generations think about overdose and prevention?
11. **David Wiljer, Andrew Johnson, and the Thought Spot Research Team** - Co-development and co-design developing online solutions

**3:45 pm Wrap-up of the day**

**Kimia Ziafat**, Research Assistant, MPH Candidate

4:00 pm End



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**8:00 am Opening Remarks**

**Michael Krausz** - Leadership Chair, Addiction Research UBC  
 - Chair, WPA section for informatics and telemedicine

**8:05 am Block 3: Online Psychotherapies Addressing High Risk Substance Use**

**Chair**

**Michael Krausz** - Leadership Chair, Addiction Research, UBC  
 - Chair, WPA section for informatics and telemedicine

**8:10 am Keynote Presentation**

**Michael Schaub** - Director, Swiss Research Institute of Public Health and Addiction

8:40 am Coffee Break

**8:50 am Workshops**

- 12. **Josephine Gehlenborg** - Meta Cognitive Training – Gambling and Drug use
- 13. **Michael Schaub** - Controlled Cannabis use – Adherence and Effectiveness
- 14. **Daniel Vigo** - Youth-Specific Psychosocial Interventions
- 15. **Christian Schuetz** - Smoking Cessation
- 16. **Peter Cornish** - Wellness Together Canada -an Online Offer for Canadians

9:50 am Active Break - gentle guided stretching at your desk

**10:00 am Health & Home Documentary Screening**

Health & Home is a documentary that tells the story of the opioid crisis in Vancouver, BC through interviews of people with lived experience, frontline workers, and researchers.

**10:20 am Block 4: Virtual Clinics in Mental Health and Substance Use Care**

**Chair**

**Vijay Seethapathy** - Chief Medical Officer, BC Mental Health and Substance Use Services

**10:25 am Keynote Presentation**

**Damon Ramsey** - CEO/Founder of InputHealth

10:55 am Coffee Break



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**11:05 am    Workshops**

- 17. **Nick Mathew, Pouya Azar, and Adam Chodkiewicz** - Online Substitution Clinics
- 18. **Damon Ramsey** - Virtual Clinic Platforms
- 19. **Michael Krausz and Jean Westenberg** - Experiences with Virtual Care During COVID 19 – Crisis Management Platform

**12:05 pm    Panel Discussion**

The Impact of Web Based Solutions on Substance Use Care: A Discussion With Participants From CCSA, Service Providers, and Research

Moderator

**Kerry Jang**

**Discussants**

**Rita Notarandrea** - CEO, Canadian Centre for Substance Use and Addiction

**Damon Ramsey** - Founder and CEO, InputHealth

**Vijay Seethapathy** - Chief Medical Officer, BC Mental Health and Substance Use Services

**Michael Krausz** - Leadership Chair, Addiction Research, UBC  
- Chair, WPA section for informatics and telemedicine

**12:55 pm    Closing Remarks**

**Michael Krausz** - Leadership Chair, Addiction Research, UBC  
- Chair, WPA section for informatics and telemedicine

1:10 pm    End