

**Federation of Medical Regulatory Authorities of Canada
ANNUAL CONFERENCE
The Fairmont Winnipeg Hotel, Manitoba
11-12 June 2017**

FINAL PROGRAM

Overall Conference Objectives

At the end of the conference, participants will be able to:

- 1. describe potential medical regulatory approaches and best practices to ensure the safe prescribing of opioids;*
- 2. explain various stakeholder perspectives relating to the opioid prescribing issue; and*
- 3. identify potential collaborative and supportive approaches on this important issue.*

SUNDAY, 11 JUNE 2017

07h15-08h30 Breakfast – East Ballroom

Main Conference Room – Midway Ballroom

**Session I – A Pan-Canadian Regulatory Framework on Appropriate Opioid Prescribing
Session Chair: Mr. Wade Hillier**

Session Objectives

At the end of the session, participants will be able to:

- 1. describe the potential role(s) of the medical regulatory authorities in ensuring appropriate prescribing; and*
- 2. articulate the key parameters for a potential, pan-Canadian framework on opioid prescribing to which medical regulatory authorities could aspire.*

08h30-08h45 **WELCOME REMARKS**
Dr. Anna Ziomek, FMRAC President and 2017 Conference Chair

08h45-09h00 **Opening Remarks by Mr. Wade Hillier, Session I Chair**

09h00-09h30 **Keynote Speaker – Dr. David Juurlink**
**Safe Prescribing of Opioids – How Did We Get Here, What Do We Do Next?
What Should be the Role of the Medical Regulatory Authorities?**

09h30-09h45 Interactive Q & A with Conference Participants

09h45-09h55 **Follow-up from the November 2016 Opioid Summit**
Ms. Rita Notarandrea

09h55-10h05 Interactive Q & A with Conference Participants

10h05-10h15 ***The 2017 Canadian Guideline for Opioids for Chronic Non-Cancer Pain and the Role of the Medical Regulators***
Dr. David Juurlink

10h15-10h25 Interactive Q & A with Conference Participants

10h25-10h40 Refreshment Break – East Foyer

10h40-11h40 **Panel: Should Medical Regulators Aspire to Pan-Canadian Minimum Standards and Recommendations? What Should Be the Key Parameters?**

- Dr. Douglas Bell
- Ms. Katherine Stansfield
- Ms. Joy Bhimji
- Dr. Hakique Virani
- Mr. Graydon Woodward

11h40-11h55 Interactive Q & A with Conference Participants

11h55-12h00 **Remarks from the Session Chair and Adjournment of Session I**

12h00-13h00 Lunch – East Ballroom

Session II – Practical Strategies for the Medical Regulatory Authorities
Session Chair: Dr. Karen Mazurek

Session Objectives

At the end of the session, participants will be able to:

1. *describe some of the current evidence around effective interventions for opioid use;*
2. *explain various innovative approaches, outcomes and "do's and don'ts" from prescription monitoring initiatives in several jurisdictions; and*
3. *articulate potential, minimum regulatory standards and recommendations for a pan-Canadian framework on opioid prescribing to which medical regulatory authorities could aspire.*

13h00-14h15 **Concurrent and Facilitated Break-Out Working Groups**

Task: A Pan-Canadian Framework on Opioid Prescribing – What minimum medical regulatory standards and recommendations should be proposed?

Group 1 – Midway Ballroom (Main conference room), Dr. Karen Mazurek, Facilitator

Group 2 – Wellington Room (Lobby level), Mr. Wade Hillier, Facilitator

Group 3 – Harrow/Essex Room (Mezzanine level), Dr. Marina Reinecke, Facilitator

Group 4 – Lombard Room (Concourse level), Ms. Fleur-Ange Lefebvre, Facilitator

14h15-14h30 Refreshment Break – East Foyer

Main Conference Room – Midway Ballroom

14h30-15h00 **Remarks from Dr. Karen Mazurek, Session II Chair and Reports from Break-Out Working Groups**

15h00-15h10 Interactive Q & A with Conference Participants

15h10-15h20 **Evidence-Based Interventions: What Works and What Doesn't? Takeaways for the Medical Regulatory Authorities**
Dr. Benedikt Fischer

15h20-15h30 Interactive Q & A with Conference Participants

15h30-16h05 **Prescription Monitoring Initiatives: Innovative Approaches, Outcomes, Do's & Don'ts**

- Ms. Joy Bhimji
- Mr. Ed Jess
- Dr. Douglas A. (Gus) Grant

16h05-16h20 Interactive Q & A with Conference Participants

16h20-16h30 **Remarks from the Session Chair and Adjournment of Session II**

17h15 **Reception & Dinner at the Canadian Museum for Human Rights**

MONDAY, 12 JUNE 2017

Session III – Collaborative Approaches and Support for Patients and Physicians
Session Chair: Dr. Ailve McNestry

Session Objectives

At the end of the session, participants will be able to:

1. *describe how a systems-based approach can impact opioid prescribing issues;*
2. *articulate how interprofessional approaches can help promote appropriate prescribing; and*
3. *explain supports and strategies for addressing opioid issues at the physician and patient level.*

08h00-09h00 Breakfast – East Ballroom

Main Conference Room – Midway Ballroom

09h00-09h10 **Opening Remarks by Dr. Ailve McNestry, Session III Chair**

09h10-09h30 **The Opioid Crisis: Taking a Systems Approach – A Public Health Perspective**
Dr. Hakique Virani

09h30-09h45 Interactive Q & A with Conference Participants

09h45-10h15 **Panel: How Can Interprofessional Approaches Help?**

- Dr. Gordon Wallace
- Dr. Jamie Meuser
- Ms. Susan Lessard-Friesen
- Ms. Katherine Stansfield

10h15-10h30 Interactive Q & A with Conference Participants

10h30-10h45 Refreshment Break – East Foyer

- 10h45-11h15 **Panel: Practical Ways to Support Physicians & Patients**
- Dr. Jamie Meuser
 - Dr. Peter Butt
 - Dr. Gordon Wallace
 - Mr. Graydon Woodward
- 11h15-11h30 *Interactive Q & A with Conference Participants*
- 11h30-11h35 **Summary Comments and Reflections by Mr. Graydon Woodward**
- 11h35-11h45 **Remarks from the Session Chair**
- 11h45-12h00 **Closing Conference Remarks and Adjournment**
Dr. Anna Ziomek

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