



**The O'Brien Institute for Public Health &  
the Department of Community Health Sciences present:**

**Tools & Hands: Researching technology and policy to assist the informal  
networks caring for Canada's elderly**

**Speaker: Myles Leslie**

**Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 - 12:00 to 12:50 p.m.**

**G500 - Health Sciences Centre, 3330 Hospital Dr NW**

This seminar talk describes ongoing research in the School of Public Policy's (SPP) Social Policy & Health Group generally, and then looks specifically at 1) the user-centered development of a mobile application to assist family caregivers of the elderly, and 2) the existing policy environment and options for improving support for family caregivers.

**Dr. Myles Leslie** is the Associate Director of Research at the School of Public Policy, and an Assistant Professor in the department of Community Health Sciences at the Cumming School of Medicine. As a healthcare sociologist and ethnographer, Dr. Leslie's research has seen him study death investigations, acute care quality and safety interventions, and the role technology plays in interprofessional teamwork. He is presently a member of the AGE-WELL, National Centre for Excellence conducting research at the intersection of patient engagement, technology, and eldercare delivery. He teaches a course (Winter 2018) on Policy in a Low Trust Environment, and is also engaged in research examining the policy and operational reality of Alberta's primary care networks.

**Objectives:**

1. Identify SPP Social Policy & Health Group 'Vulnerable Populations' Research Projects
2. Describe informal caregiving networks for the elderly in Canada, and the research challenges associated with them
3. Describe potential technology and policy options for supporting and encouraging informal eldercare networks

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