

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

The Boundaries of Public Health: implications for research, training, practice and policy

Speakers: Lindsay McLaren, Jason Cabaj & William Ghali

Friday, September 28, 2018 - 12:00 to 12:50 p.m. G500 - Health Sciences Centre, 3330 Hospital Dr NW

The May 2018 Campus Alberta Health Outcomes and Public Health Annual Forum theme "Public health under threat/In defence of public health" highlighted the need for unity of purpose. The intent of this session is to explore public health in a way that clarifies the nature of public health and fosters unity among its practitioners.

Lindsay McLaren is an Associate Professor in the Department of Community Health Sciences and the O'Brien Institute for Public Health at the University of Calgary. She holds an Applied Public Health Research Chair award funded by CIHR, the Public Health agency of Canada, and Alberta Innovates – Health Solutions. Her research focuses on population-level or universal interventions including their implications for health inequities. She is a Senior Editor at the Canadian Journal of Public Health, Co-Editor at Critical Public Health, and past President of the Alberta Public Health Association.

Dr. Jason Cabaj is a Public Health and Preventive Medicine physician (MD, Queen's University; FRCPC, University of Calgary) with an MSc epidemiology from the University of Calgary Department of Community Health Sciences. He is a Medical Officer of Health (MOH) for Alberta Health Services (AHS) Calgary Zone and the Provincial Lead MOH for AHS Public Surveillance and Infrastructure, Program Director for the UofC Public Health and Preventive Medicine (PHPM) residency program, and a Clinical Assistant Professor in the Department of Community Health Sciences, Cumming School of Medicine. Dr. Cabaj is involved with a range of research activities to inform public health practice and policy.

Dr. William Ghali, MD, MPH, FRCPC is the Scientific Director of the O'Brien Institute for Public Health at the University of Calgary. He is also a Professor in the Departments of Medicine and Community Health Sciences at the University of Calgary, and a practicing physician specialized in Internal Medicine. He is a principal in the University of Calgary World Health Organization (WHO) Collaborating Centre in Disease Classifications and health information. He recently completed two terms as a Canada Research Chair in Health Services Research, and has also been funded as a Senior Health Scholar by Alberta Innovates Health Solutions.

Objectives:

- 1. Learn about the fuzzy boundaries of public health
- 2. Learn about the advantages and disadvantages of a construing public health more broadly vs. more narrowly
- 3. Learn implications for research, training, practice and policy

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