



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

Work after cancer – the value and the costs

Speaker: Alison Pearce

Friday, February 1, 2019 - 12:00 to 12:50 p.m.
G500 - Health Sciences Centre, 3330 Hospital Dr NW

Almost half of people diagnosed with cancer are of working age, but of those who are working at the time of diagnosis, only about 60% return to work within 12 months. This presentation examines the impact of cancer on people's ability to work, and how we can measure this impact at the level of the individual, the employer and broader society.

Alison Pearce is a health economist specialising the economics of cancer care. She is a Chancellor's Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the Centre for Health Economics Research and Evaluation (CHERE) at the University of Technology Sydney and is currently a visiting research fellow in the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences at the University of British Columbia. Her research currently focuses on the areas of productivity loss and patient preferences in cancer care, and she has keen interests in early career researcher development, communicating research to the public and the use of social media in academia.

Objectives:

- 1: To recognise the importance of work for cancer survivors.
- 2: To be aware of the potential impact of cancer and its treatments on the ability of people to work.
- 3: To understand how the value of work can be calculated from a variety of perspectives.

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