



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

## **Making hard conversations easier – Implementation of the Serious Illness Care Program in acute care**

**Speaker: Dr. Jessica Simon**

**Friday, March 6, 2020 - 12:00 to 12:50 p.m.  
G500 - Health Sciences Centre, 3330 Hospital Dr NW**

This seminar will introduce the Serious Illness Care Program. This is a way for clinicians to improve the lives of people with serious illnesses, by having meaningful conversations around their values and priorities. We will review the strategies used to implement and evaluate the SICP in the acute-care setting.

Dr. Simon trained as an Internist and is Associate Professor and Division Head of Palliative Medicine, Department of Oncology, at UCalgary and is cross appointed to Community Health Sciences and Medicine. She is also the physician consultant for Advance Care Planning and Goals of Care, Alberta Health Services, Calgary Zone. Her research includes advance care planning ([www.acpcrio.org](http://www.acpcrio.org)) and implementing integrated palliative care early in serious illness ([www.pacesproject.ca](http://www.pacesproject.ca)).

### **Objectives:**

1. Identify the implementation strategies employed by the Serious Illness Care Program.
2. Determine the potential impact of the Serious Illness Care Program on clinical practice.
3. Apply the learning from this implementation to other clinical quality improvement initiatives.

**This event is a self-approved group learning activity (Section 1) as defined by the Maintenance of Certification Program of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada.**

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