

2006 National Summer Institute on Addictions - July 10 to 13, 2006

About the 2006 National Summer Institute

The Addictions Research Centre (ARC) of the Correctional Service Canada and the Canadian Centre on Substance Abuse (CCSA) are partnering on the fourth National Summer Institute (NSI) on Addictions. The theme will be **Working Together: Partnerships along the Continuum of Service**. This year's NSI will take place at [Stanhope Beach Resort](#) in Stanhope, P.E.I. located on the Island's legendary North Shore.



Participants will have the opportunity to consider how partnerships with other service-providers along the continuum of care can bring about a more holistic and comprehensive model of treatment. Acknowledging that cooperation among service providers is not without its challenges, this Institute aims to prepare participants with skills for relating to others in the field by equipping them with skills for collaboration and integration of services. Participants will be forced to ask one of the most challenging questions of their career: "How can I partner with those around me for the sake of someone else's journey towards recovery?"

Intended participants

The Institute is designed for professionals in the substance abuse, health, mental health, social services, criminal justice, and corrections fields who have an understanding of the issues pertaining to the assessment and treatment of alcohol and other drug clients and who are, or expect to be, affected by the integration of addiction services with other services, such as primary health care, mental health, social services, or criminal justice. The aim of the Institute is to provide these professionals with information on evidence-based approaches to service integration, and with opportunities to consider application and implementation issues at the systems and service levels.

The Institute will provide participants with opportunities to share experiences and discuss issues related to this topic, including the effective integration of family members and the broader community as partners in treatment, a model of 'shared care' between primary care physicians and mental health services, the essential skills needed to identify and deal successfully with conflict within teams, best practices for partnerships involved in the treatment of seniors, best practices for facilitating healthy partnerships between addictions and mental health, and sustainable multi-partner collaborations.

Language

Simultaneous interpretation in English and French will be available for all plenary sessions and selected lectures and workshops. All Institute-produced materials will be available in both official languages.

Faculty

Dr. Robert Meyers, PhD, our keynote speaker, is a distinguished research associate Professor of Psychology at the University of New Mexico's Center on Alcoholism, Substance Abuse and Addiction (UNM) and the Associate Director of the Life Link Training Institute in Santa Fe New Mexico. Dr. Meyers will be the keynote speaker throughout the first day of the National Summer Institute and will be presenting on the Community Reinforcement Approach and Family Training (CRAFT) intervention.

The remaining faculty is made up of leading Canadian experts in research and program design; they will be presenting in a seminar format and providing input and leadership in the ensuing interactive workshops.

Format of the Institute

The Institute will commence with a high-level presentation on the Community Reinforcement Approach and Family Training (CRAFT) on Day One. The CRAFT intervention is a scientifically based intervention designed to help concerned significant others (CSOs) to engage treatment-refusing substance abusers into treatment. The focus of this presentation will include an examination of how family members can make important contributions to areas of addiction treatment (i.e. family and couples therapy) and how they can use the information they know about their loved one in a motivational way to increase the chance of the substance user entering treatment.

The following three days will feature presentations and workshops by leading researchers and programmers, including Wayne Skinner, Deputy Clinical Director at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health and Dr. Nicholas Kates, Director of the Shared Care program at McMaster University. The plenary and workshop sessions will provide a focused and interactive learning experience that will allow participants to connect the content with the context in which they work. Ample opportunities for participant interaction in small workshops have been scheduled into the Institute's agenda.

A truly unique aspect of this Institute is its national scope, which will permit a rich opportunity for information exchange across sectors and geographic regions. All Institute-produced materials and presentations will be available in both French and English.

[Detailed Agenda and Faculty](#)

Bonus Session on **Developmental Assets**
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Institute objectives

- to transfer the latest evidence-based knowledge on integration of services and continuity in care (reflected in the learning outcomes below)
- to document key points and insights into the issues, challenges and successes with the implementation of evidence-based practices in Canada
- to provide a structure and process conducive to inter-sectoral dialogue and collaboration
- to provide impetus and ongoing focused attention to issues related to integration of services and continuity in care along the continuum of service

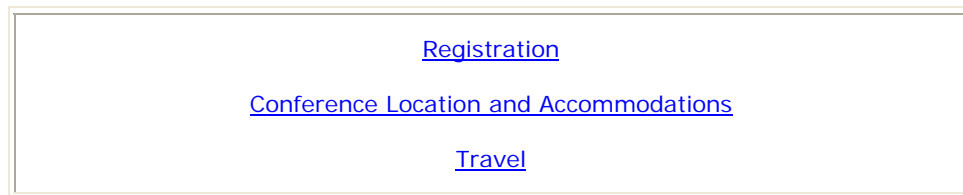
Intended learning outcomes

To increase knowledge with respect to:

1. national, regional and sectoral initiatives addressing service integration and continuity in care, and the issues, opportunities, challenges, successes and remaining gaps in knowledge
2. evidence-based practices for service integration and related issues at the systems and service levels
3. evidence-based practices with respect to planning and evaluating integrated services
4. evidence-based practices for knowledge translation, and implications for transfer of service integration knowledge in Canada

Please note: the [Canadian Addiction Counselor's Certification Federation \(CACCF\)](#) will award **23 CEU hours** to members attending the National Summer Institute.

For further information



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Capacity for the Institute is 100 - 110 persons.