Mission/Vision Statement

To develop and maintain a well trained committed team of psychiatric specialists able to serve the mental health needs of people and communities affected by disasters, in coordination with emergency and public health responders. Reduction and prevention of post-disaster mental illness, and fostering of resilience, are also our goals.

Learning Objectives: By the conclusion of the program, attendees will be able to:

- Become skilled in psychiatric diagnosis and management: during and post disasters in adult, child and indigenous populations;
- Experience and remedy stresses involved in disasters, and impact on survivors;
- Become familiar with special needs of military personnel and veterans;
- Become adept at collaborating with Red Cross and First Responders;
- Have increased comfort and confidence in the role of ‘disaster psychiatrist’;
- Be aware of College of Physicians mandated duties for physicians in disasters.

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SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2019

8:00 am  Registration & Breakfast
8:30 am  Introduction & Welcome
Mary Sommers, MD, FRCPC, DLFAPA, DFCPA, Program Chair
Benoit H. Mulsant, MD, FRCPC, DFAPA, Professor and Labatt Family Chair, Department of Psychiatry, University of Toronto
8:40 am  Disaster Strikes: An Exercise in Stress
Jodi Lofchy, MD, FRCPC
Laurie Mazurik, MD, FRCPC, MBA
10:00 am  Impact on Survivors, Toronto Van Attack 23/4/18
Barbara Hall, CM, JD
11:05 am  Coming Home: Veterans and Military to Civilian Transition
Alexandra Heber, MD, FRCPC
11:30 am  First Do No Harm: How to Help Prevent Potential Mental Health Impacts on First Nations Communities During Emergencies
Brenda Restoule, PhD, C.Psych
12:00 noon  Keynote: Children and Families – Trauma & Grief
Frederick Stoddard, MD, DLFAPA
12:35 pm  Keynote: Disaster Psychiatry: Finding Structure in Chaos
Robert Ursano, MD, DLFAPA
1:00 pm  Lunch
1:10 pm  Basic Principles of Disaster Psychiatry
Sander Koyfman, MD
1:50 pm  Psychiatric Diagnosis and Treatment Post Disaster
Anthony Ng, MD, DFAPA
2:15 pm  Building Resilience Pre-Disaster for Long Term Recovery
Joseph Napoli, MD, DLFAPA
2:50 pm  Rewards & Risks of Disaster Psychiatry
Craig Katz, MD, DFAPA
3:15 pm  Break
3:30 pm  Federal, Provincial, Municipal & Regulatory Panel
Red Cross, Public Health Agency Canada, Ontario Ministry of Health, Ontario Provincial Police, Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management, Toronto Police, Toronto Paramedic, CPSO, CMPA
4:50 pm  Feedback and Closing Remarks
Frank G. Sommers and Speakers
5:00 pm  Adjourn

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