

Centre canadien sur l'usage de substances



IT ALL BEGINS WITH HEALTH:

USING A SUBSTANCE USE HEALTH LENS TO **ACHIEVE BROAD IMPROVEMENTS IN** DRUG AND GOVERNMENT POLICY

This side event will provide an opportunity to understand the principles of health with respect to substance use. Taking a strength-based approach to increasing the health outcomes of people who use or used substances. Prioritizing health offers opportunities for divergent and sometimes conflicting perspectives to develop shared outcomes and accountability. Practically, use of a health lens to assess the effectiveness of policies and regulations recognizes that improved health outcomes are the common ground these divergent points of view can gather on to make progress in this field.

SPEAKERS:

Mr. Kenneth Arctander, RIO - a Norwegian Users' Association in the field of alcohol and drugs

Ms. Jennifer Saxe, Government of Canada

Ms. Lucia Goberna Lehmann, Dianova International

Ms. Marie Nougier, International Drug **Policy Consortium (IDPC)**

Mr. Anthony Esposti and Mr. Gord Garner. Community Addictions Peer Support Association (CAPSA)

CHAIR:

Dr. Alexander Caudarella, Canadian Centre on Substance Use and Addiction (CCSA)



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15TH, 08:00-08:50 A.M. **ROOM: MOE05**









