

THE CONTINUING IMPORTANCE OF TRAUMA-INFORMED HEALTH CARE IN THE NORTH: A LONG JOURNEY

During a research project on complex trauma and early life adversity (ELA) in 2010, the need for immediate support, training and resources for practitioners became clear, beginning a 14 year knowledge sharing journey on trauma-informed practice and the development of compassionate communities in health, education, and justice. Despite best efforts to keep consistent trauma-informed care at the forefront of patient/client care in our region, it can be a daunting task requiring more follow-up support, training, and additional human resources. This seminar will include learning from that journey and a discussion of the many levels of involvement and steps required in assuring health care remains trauma informed in the north.

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Linda and her colleague Dr. John Sherry run the Counselling Program within the Department of Psychology. Working together, Linda and John guide the Community Counselling Centre (CCC) in Prince George, where Linda volunteers at the centre as a trauma counsellor, clinical supervisor, and Clinical Coordinator. On behalf of the CCC, Linda provides trauma-informed training to schools, health authorities, youth justice, parole, and probation throughout BC and Yukon.

Linda's research focuses on: trauma-informed practice and trauma-specific interventions, counsellors and other helping practitioners working in isolated settings; secondary trauma experienced by practitioners in all fields of service; complex trauma (Developmental Trauma Disorder); historical and intergenerational trauma; and counselling and research ethics related to northern practice.

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