



The International Initiative for Mental Health Leadership: The Best Learning Experience in 2015!

The International Initiative for Mental Health Leadership (IIMHL) (www.iimhl.com) is a unique international leadership forum that shares best and promising practices, innovation and research to support the best possible outcomes for people with experience of mental illness and their families. IIMHL is a collaboration of eight countries: Australia, Canada, England, Ireland, New Zealand, Scotland, Sweden and the US.

IIMHL organizes systems for international networking, innovation sharing and problem solving across countries and agencies. The overall aim is to provide better outcomes for people who use mental health and addiction services and their families.

Membership of IIMHL is free, and any leader in mental health and addiction can join to keep up with overseas developments by using this link: <http://www1.iimhl.com/Join.asp>

To view our 2014 Annual Report: http://iimhl.com/files/docs/2014_IIMHL_Annual_Report.pdf

IIMHL/IIDL 2015 Leadership Exchange

“Accelerating Change Toward Mental Health, Well-Being and Inclusion”

Jointly hosted with the International Initiative for Disability Leadership (IIDL), this week-long learning event will take place in Canada, in collaboration with the USA, from September 21 to 25, 2015, and consists of two events: Leadership Matches and the Combined Meeting. The Leadership matches are held across Canada and the USA.

1- LEADERSHIP MATCHES

On September 21-22, 2015, participants will be hosted by peers at host sites both in Canada and the USA for focused exchanges on thematic areas of discussion:

Canada will host:



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| Children and Youth | Ontario Centre of Excellence for Child and Youth Mental Health - Location: Ottawa, Ontario |
| Community Crisis Response and the Crisis Pathway | City of Vancouver, City of Vancouver Offices (City Hall, Woodward's Building) |
| Community Action for Suicide Prevention | Mental Health Commission of Canada and Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) - Location: Goldcorp Centre for the Arts, Simon Fraser University, 149 West Hastings St., Vancouver http://www.sfu.ca/sfuwoodwards/goldcorp-centre-for-the-arts.html |
| Consumer Leaders | Schizophrenia Society of Canada (national) and the Manitoba Schizophrenia Society (provincial) - Location: 4 Fort Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba |

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| Disaster Response | Alberta Health. Location: Calgary, Alberta |
| Diversity | The Wellesley Institute, Toronto, Ontario |
| E Mental Health | UBC Institute of Mental Health Addictions and Concurrent Disorders Group - Location: University of British Columbia Point Grey Campus, Vancouver |
| Early Childhood Development (ECD) including Infant Mental Health (IMH) | Norlien Foundation; Alberta Health Services - Location: Calgary, Alberta, Canada |
| Family and Carers | Province of British Columbia - Location: Victoria, British Columbia, Canada. |
| How do we know our work is making a difference? The essential role of social impact research and evaluation in cross-disability initiatives inclusive of mental health - joint match with IIDL | Canadian Centre on Disability Studies Location: 56 The Promenade, Winnipeg |
| Homelessness and Mental Health | Mental Health Commission of Canada Location: Vancouver |
| IKEN-MH | Mental Health Commission of Canada / Association for Local Authorities and Regions in Sweden - Vancouver |
| Mental Health and Seniors | Baycrest Health Sciences and Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC). Location - Baycrest Health Sciences, 3560 Bathurst Street Toronto, Ontario |
| Opioid Use: Risks, Prevention and Harm Reduction | SAMHSA (Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration): Location: Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada |
| Policing and Mental Health | Vancouver Police Department Mental Health Unit and Police Community Response Team Vancouver Police Department - Location: 3585 Gravelly Street, Vancouver |
| Prejudice, Discrimination and Stigma | Mental Health Commission of Canada, Opening Minds Anti-stigma Initiative, Calgary |
| Psychologically Safe Workplaces – the Psychological Safety Standard | Great-West Life Centre for Mental Health in the Workplace - Location: Canada Life Building, 330 University Avenue, Toronto, Ontario |
| Reconciliation | National Native Addictions Partnership Foundation and First Nations Health Managers Association. Location - Vancouver |
| Recovery | Mental Health Commission of Canada, Toronto |
| Shifting the Paradigm – Mental Wellness and Indigenous Knowledge: Transformation, Measurement and Implementation | British Columbia Ministry of Health / Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) / First Nations Health Authority - Location: Musqueam First Nation, Musqueam Cultural Education Resource Centre, 4000 Musqueam Avenue (at the foot of Salish Drive), Vancouver http://www.musqueam.bc.ca/ |
| Social Determinants of Health (SDOH) | Public Health Agency of Canada and the Canadian Council on the Social Determinants of Health with the Canadian Council on Social Development. Location - Vancouver |
| Supported Employment | Canadian Mental Health Association, Vancouver-Burnaby (CMHA VB) - Location: 2425 Quebec Street, Suite 110, Vancouver BC |
| Transition-aged Youth | Inner City Youth Program, St Paul's Hospital, Providence Health Care, Vancouver BC |

The US will host:

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| Anti-Bullying Initiatives | SAMSHA, Rockville, Maryland |
| Arctic Council Mental Wellness | Anchorage, Alaska |
| Council of Clinical Leaders: Measuring & understanding mental health outcomes & improvement | Columbia University Medical Center Campus, Manhattan, New York - Room tbc |
| Health Information Technology | Netsmart Technologies Corporate Headquarters 4950 College Boulevard, Overland Park, Kansas |
| Implementing Programs for Individuals | New York State Psychiatric Institute, Center for |

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| Experiencing First Episode Psychosis | Practice Innovations, OnTrackNY, New York |
| Inclusion Health | Center for Inclusion Health, Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania |
| Integration of Disciplines | National Council of Community Behavioral Healthcare (NCCBH) - Location: 1400 K Street, NW, Suite 400 Washington, DC |
| Funding of Self Directed Care and Recovery Supports | Boston College, Massachusetts |
| Mental Health Literacy | City of Philadelphia's Department of Behavioral Health & Intellectual disAbility Services (DBHIDS), 1101 Market Street (7th Floor), Philadelphia, Pennsylvania |
| Military and Their Families | Defense Centers of Excellence for Psychological Health and Traumatic Brain Injury (DCoE), Department of Defense Washington - Location: Deployment Health Clinical Center, 1335 East West Highway, 3rd Floor, Silver Spring, Maryland |
| Peer Workforce | Georgia Mental Health Consumer Network, 246 Sycamore Street, Suite 260, Decatur, Georgia |
| Responding to Trauma Using Trauma- Informed Approaches | National Council for Behavioral Health - Location: 1400 K Street, NW, Suite 400, Washington, DC |
| Zero Suicide in Healthcare: Creating an International Declaration and Social Movement | Behavioral Health Link, 260 Peachtree Street Suite 1900, Atlanta, Georgia |

Leadership Matches information is available here:

<http://www1.iimhl.com/IIDL/Meetings/Themes.asp?msstat=2>

2- COMBINED MEETING

The Combined Meeting will take place September 23-25, 2015 at the Sheraton Vancouver Wall Centre Hotel in Vancouver, British Columbia. Leaders travel from their match to Vancouver on September 23rd and attend the evening welcoming reception.

The two-day Combined Meeting is an international opportunity for mental health and addiction leaders to learn more about innovation, research, and best practices in the area of leadership in mental health and addiction.

This year, the IIMHL Combined Meeting will address these themes: leading for the future, wellness, innovation, system transformation, and change management.

The preliminary Agenda is available here: http://www.iimhl.com/files/docs/2015_Agenda.pdf

Demand for the Leadership Matches and for the Combined Meeting is strong, please register early!

Please join IIMHL and start learning about innovation!