



CASEY HOUSE

**A Full Day Symposium - Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011, 8:45am – 4:30pm**  
**CASEY HOUSE: Creating Alliances for Care: HIV/AIDS, Serious Illness and Adaptation**  
**Capacity building, knowledge exchange and education for health care professionals and AIDS service providers.**  
Registration is required at [registration@caseyhouse.on.ca](mailto:registration@caseyhouse.on.ca) or Education Voicemail (416) 962-4040, ext. 226.  
Location: The 519 Church Street Community Centre. Space is limited, please register early.

**Opening My Heart: A Patient's Journey, A Nurse's Story**

**Keynote Speaker: Tilda Shalof RN, BScN, CNCC (C)**

Tilda Shalof has been a staff nurse in the Medical-Surgical Intensive Care Unit at Toronto General Hospital, for the past twenty-eight years. She is also the author of the bestseller, *A Nurse's Story* and an outspoken patient advocate, passionate nurse leader, public speaker, and media commentator. In 2007, Tilda released *The Making of a Nurse*, in which she charts the educational, intellectual, emotional, and spiritual steps in her journey. In her new book, *Opening My Heart - A Journey from Nurse to Patient and Back Again*, Tilda finds herself on the "other side" after undergoing open heart surgery.

**Consider the intricate balance of providing care.**

**HIV and Aging: Looming Challenges in Care**

**Ron Rosenes**

Ron Rosenes has been living with HIV for over 30 years and became an active volunteer member of the HIV/AIDS community in Toronto in 1991. He chaired the AIDS Walk, served as Board Chair of the AIDS Committee of Toronto (ACT) and was appointed the first Honorary Director. He is a member of AIDS ACTION NOW, a founding Board Member of the Sherbourne Health Centre and founding Board Member and Vice Chair of AIDS 2006, Toronto Local Host. He holds an appointment to the Ontario Advisory Committee on HIV/AIDS to the Ontario Minister of Health and continues to serve as Vice Chair at the Canadian Treatment Action Council.

**Consider the impending challenges to care as our population ages.**

**HIV, Hep C and Liver Disease: The Possibility of Transplant**

**Keynote Speaker: Dr. David Wong**

Dr. Wong is the Clinical Director at the Toronto Western Hospital Liver Centre, the Education Director for Hepatology Education at the University of Toronto, and an expert in the management of viral hepatitis. After completing his Gastroenterology training at McMaster University, he worked as a post-doctoral research fellow at Harvard University, studying the cellular immune responses to Hepatitis C Infection. Dr. Wong is active in patient and physician education and has received teaching awards including: the Lou Cole award for Gastroenterology, the Wightman-Berris Academy award for teaching excellence and the University Health Network award for excellence in clinical teaching.

**Consider the complex concerns and treatment options for people living with HIV/AIDS and liver disease.**

**Ethical Concerns in HIV/AIDS Care with the Cognitively Impaired**

**Steve Abdool, RN, MA, PhD (C)**

Steve Abdool has worked in Mental Health Ethics for almost two decades. He is a Bioethicist at the University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics and St. Michael's Hospital; and Staff Bioethicist and Director, Regional Centre for Excellence in Ethics, Homewood Health Centre, Guelph, Ontario.

**Consider the ethical concerns when working with people living with HIV/AIDS and cognitive impairment.**

**Chronic Pain, Addiction and HIV**

**Dr. Chris Andrew Cavacuiti**

Dr. Cavacuiti is a staff physician in the Department of Family and Community Medicine at St. Michael's Hospital and an Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Toronto. He is certified by the American Society of Addiction Medicine. His clinical and research interests include inner city primary care, HIV, and addiction medicine. He is the lead editor of the first edition of the American Society of Addiction Medicine's 2011 textbook entitled *Principles of Addiction Medicine: The Essentials*.

**Consider the complexities of supporting people living with chronic pain, addiction and HIV.**

**Panel Discussion – To be announced.**

*A brief tribute to Dr. Robert Buckman will be held.*

**Program Director: Dr. Ann Stewart, MD, MSc, CCFP, Medical Director, Casey House**  
**Program Lead: Maureen Mahan, RN, BA, MEd, Education Development Coordinator, Casey House**

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