A Full Day Symposium
Friday, November 8th, 2013
CASEY HOUSE: HIV/AIDS and Health Care
Maintaining Excellence in Health Care for People Living with HIV/AIDS
Facing the Future Together – Living Longer, Living Well
Capacity building, knowledge exchange and education for health care professionals and AIDS service providers. Space is limited, please register early, registration@caseyhouse.on.ca. Confirmation of registration is required.
Central location: Toronto Ramada Plaza – Ballroom

Living Longer, Living Well – Women’s Health and HIV
Keynote Speaker: Dr. Mona Loutfy
Dr. Mona Loutfy is a Canadian physician, public speaker and an Associate Professor and Clinician Scientist at Women’s College Hospital and the University of Toronto. Dr. Loutfy regularly addresses health professionals, educators and AIDS service professionals in audiences throughout North America. At the core of her work is an understanding of the concerns women living with HIV have about sexual and reproductive health, stigma and access to care. Dr Loutfy is focused on clinical research related to women and HIV and works from a community-based research model involving the people that her research will affect, at all stages of the research. Her clinical practice is at the Maple Leaf Medical Clinic which cares for over 2,500 people living with HIV in inner city Toronto; she is also the Research Director at the clinic. In 2006, she launched the Woman and HIV Research Program at the Women’s College Research Institute to further the reach of community-based research for people living with HIV.

Living Longer, Living Well – The Psychosocial Implications of Growing Older with HIV
David Brennan, PhD
David J. Brennan is an Associate Professor in the Factor-Inwentash Faculty of Social Work at the University of Toronto. He has been a clinical social worker in the HIV/AIDS and health care field since 1983. Dr. Brennan's research focuses on: the health and well-being of marginalized gay, bisexual, two-spirit and other men who have sex with men; how we measure sexual orientation in population-based health studies; the resiliencies, strengths and assets that gay and bisexual men have that prevent them from becoming infected with HIV. Dr. Brennan is currently examining how resilience is understood among Two-Spirit Aboriginal males who have been living long-term with HIV. He is also researching how gay and bisexual men use the internet and mobile apps for sexual health information. Dr. Brennan has received a community service award from the AIDS Action Committee in Boston, and is an OHTN Scholar Awardee.

Living Longer, Living Well – Rediscovering Optimal Health, A Focus on Health and Life
Stephanie Nixon, PhD
Stephanie Nixon, PhD is an Assistant Professor in the Dalla Lana School of Public Health and the Department of Physical Therapy at the University of Toronto. She is the Director of the International Centre for Disability and Rehabilitation Sciences and an Associate in the Joint Centre for Bioethics, University of Toronto; she is also a Research Associate for the Health Economics and HIV/AIDS Research Division, University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. Stephanie regularly addresses health professionals, educators and AIDS service professionals in educational forums. Her research interests include: HIV and AIDS, global health and globalization, rehabilitation and disability, public health ethics, critical social science, global health education, HIV vaccines and Zambia.

Additional Speakers: to be announced

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

Casey House is a specialty hospital with community programming including home care and outreach programs. Founded in 1988, our commitment is to provide compassionate health care to people living with and affected by HIV/AIDS.

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