

# CENTRE FOR FORENSIC BEHAVIOURAL SCIENCE & JUSTICE STUDIES

## PUBLIC FORUM 2015

### MENTAL HEALTH AND THE JUSTICE SYSTEM: SASKATCHEWAN RESPONDS

NOV. 30, 6:30-9:00PM

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#### **Dr. Steve Wormith, Moderator**

Dr. Wormith, Director of the Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science and Justice Studies, teaches in the Department of Psychology and was the 2015 Inaugural Recipient of the American Psychology Association's Leadership in Education Award.



#### **Working Together for Change: What the Mental Health & Addictions Action Plan Looks Like in Policing, Justice, and Corrections** **Dr. Fern Stockdale Winder**

The Mental Health and Addictions Action Plan was released on December 1, 2014. It included 16 recommendations for improving the mental health and addictions response of our province, with a particular emphasis on working collaboratively to find solutions. Dr. Stockdale Winder will describe the overall findings of the report with a focus on what can be done to improve our response to people with mental health and addictions issues who come into contact with policing, justice, and corrections.



#### **Mental Health Strategy Court (Saskatoon): Addressing Mental Health Problems that Lead to Criminal Behaviour** **Judge S. Metivier**

Judge Metivier will discuss why Saskatoon needed a Mental Health Court approach, the significance of mental health conditions to justice, Mental Health Strategy (MHS) goals, how the MHS operates, community participation, and challenges in MHS.



#### **PACT: A Real-Time Collaborative Response to Persons in a Mental Health Crisis** **Inspector Mitch Yuzdepski**

Inspector Yuzdepski will discuss the Police and Crisis Team (PACT) in Saskatoon, providing a brief history of PACT in Saskatoon, an overview of co-response models in Canada and some programs around the world, and will focus his discussion around the themes of Collaboration, Education, Legislation, and Leadership. He will provide some preliminary outcome data from the 10 months of PACT in Saskatoon.



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