

Canadian Psychiatric Association | Saskatchewan Psychiatric Association Annual Conference  
 Saturday, April 18, 2026  
 Sandman Hotel 2815 Lorne Ave, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan



8:30am – 8:55am Registration and Breakfast | Sid Buckwold Room

8:55am – 9:00am Welcome & Treaty Acknowledgment | Dr. Hinz

Plenary Session 1 | Sid Buckwold Room

9:00am - 10:00am	45	<b>Canadian Guidance for the “Grievous and Irremediable” Criterion and Suicide Risk in Persons with Mental Disorders who Request MAID</b> <b>Presenters:</b> Lillian U. Thorpe, MD, PhD, FRCPC   Saskatoon, Saskatchewan and Mona Gupta, MD, FRCPC   Montreal, Quebec
	15	By the end of this session, learners will be able to: 1. Appreciate the legal definition of “grievous and irremediable” and apply the guidance for cases where a mental disorder contributes significantly to or is the sole basis for a MAID request. 2. Outline the role of the psychiatrist acting as the “person with expertise” for cases where a mental disorder is the sole reason for or contributes significantly to the request. 3. Describe best practices to assess and manage suicide risk in patients requesting MAID.
Q & A		

Faculty Presentation

10:05am - 10:20am	5	Faculty Presentation
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10:20am – 11:30am Break | Resident Poster Session | Victoria Room

Poster Presenters	Campus	Adjudicators
<b>Introductions - Dr. Mariam Alaverdashvili</b>		
1	To be determined	

Plenary Session 2 | Sid Buckwold Room

11:35am - 12:35pm	45	<b>Top Ten Journal Articles in Psychiatry</b> <b>Presenter: David Gratzner, MD, FRCPC   Toronto Ontario</b>
	15	By the end of this session, learners will be able to: 1. Better understand and appreciate the evolving psychiatric literature by considering 10 great papers. 2. List the strengths and weaknesses of these papers. 3. Apply the latest literature to inform their clinical decisions.
Q & A		

12:35pm - 1:20 pm Lunch (45 mins)

Plenary Session 3 | Sid Buckwold Room

1:20pm – 2:20pm	45	<b>Shaping Tomorrow: Policy, Innovation and the Future of Addiction Psychiatry</b> <b>Presenter: Vijay Seethapathy, MBBS, MRCPsych, FRCPC, ABAM   Vancouver, British Columbia</b>
	15	By the end of this session, learners will be able to: 1. Describe emerging roles for addiction psychiatry. 2. Identify system challenges and opportunities. 3. Describe innovations from British Columbia. 4. Discuss national policy direction and workforce transformation.
Q & A		
2:25pm - 2:45pm	Resident Poster Awards Closing remarks	

\*Please note the above schedule is subject to change.