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Day 2 Morning Panel

Intersectoral Action – Stories from Atlantic Canada

This moderated panel will showcase examples of collaborative initiatives underway in Atlantic Canada in which governments, non-profits, communities and others are working across sectors and jurisdictions to develop social policies and programs that contribute to mentally healthy societies. The panel will address the motivation behind these collaborations, their vision, the challenges of working together and the achievements to date.

ASI delegates will become more informed about activities happening right here in the Atlantic Region, including opportunities for future collaboration to develop a whole society approach.

Questions for the panelists:

- *What are some of the benefits to collaborators?*
- *How have you addressed the challenges to collaboration?*
- *What sustains the collaboration?*

Round Table Discussions: Intersectoral Action for a Whole Society Approach

Following the panel presentations, Forum delegates will discuss the following questions and report one key point from each table back to the plenary session:

Questions:

- *What is needed to support and expand current work described by the panel to a whole society approach?*
- *Who else could be engaged? How?*
- *How could this work fit into and advance the Call to Action?*

Moderator:

David Butler-Jones

Senior Medical Officer and Atlantic Region Medical Officer for the First Nations and Inuit Health Branch of Health Canada , MD MHS Sc LLD(hc) CCFP FRCPC FACPM

Dr. David Butler-Jones was the Chief Public Health Officer of Canada and Deputy Minister for the Public Health Agency of Canada from 2004 to 2014. He has worked in many parts of Canada in both Public Health and Clinical Medicine. Dr. Butler-Jones currently serves as Senior Medical Officer and Atlantic Region Medical Officer for the First Nations and Inuit Health Branch of Health Canada. He is a recipient of the Canadian Public Health Association's R D Defries Award, it's highest honour.



He has taught at both the undergraduate and graduate levels and has been actively involved as a researcher and consultant in public health issues. He is a Professor in the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Manitoba, as well as a Clinical Professor with the Department of Community Health and Epidemiology at the University of Saskatchewan's College of Medicine.

In professional organizations, he has served as President of the Canadian Public Health Association; Vice President of the American Public Health Association; Chair of the Canadian Roundtable on Health and Climate Change; International Regent on the board of the American College of Preventive Medicine; Member of the Governing Council for the Canadian Population Health Initiative; Chair of the National Coalition on Enhancing Preventive Practices of Health Professionals; and Co-Chair of the Canadian Coalition for Public Health in the 21st Century. He is a member of the board of the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada.

Panelists:

Hon. Jordan Brown

PEI Minister of Education, Early Learning and Culture, Minister of Justice and Public Safety, Attorney General

Jordan Brown was elected in 2015 as the representative for District 13, Charlottetown - Brighton, the same district formerly held by his grandfather, the late Addie MacDonald, who was also government whip. In 2017 he was appointed Minister of Education, Early Learning and Culture. He was given additional responsibilities as Minister of Justice and Public Safety and Attorney General in 2018.



Jordan was born and raised in Prince Edward Island. He graduated from UPEI with a Bachelor of Business Administration and a minor in economics. He then attended UNB to pursue his legal education, and began his practice with Cox & Palmer in Charlottetown in 2005.

Jordan has been very active in the community as a member of the Hillsborough Rotary Club and a director of Abe Zakem House Inc. He enjoys spending time with his family, downhill skiing, mountain biking, and golf. He lives in Charlottetown with his wife Amy Boswall, his two children, Finlay and Aulay.

Caroline Nochasak

Community Climate Change Liaison, Nunatsiavut Government

Caroline Nochasak is from Nain, Newfoundland and Labrador. She currently works for the Nunatsiavut Government as the Regional Community Climate Change Liaison. She helps create climate change research and she is the connection between researchers and the communities. Caroline is also a co-founder of Inuusuktut Qaujisarnilirijut - Youth Working to Gain Knowledge, a research group run by Inuit youth, for Inuit youth. The research they conduct asks youth their perspective on their community's health, and their personal health, in hopes of providing Inuit youth with a more accurate and appropriate method of health care programming.



In the past, she has worked on many different projects overseas and in her home town, facilitating participants in healthily expressing their stories through performing arts-as well as fine arts. Caroline's passionate about the work she does, and is continuing to promote a healthy climate, and a healthy community.

Linda Warford

Consultant, Mental Health and Addictions, NL Department of Health and Community Services

Linda is the Youth and Emerging Adults Consultant in the Mental Health and Addictions Division of the NL Government's Department of Health and Community Services working on the Towards Recovery Action Plan to transform mental health and addictions services in that province. Her work there revolves around developing an Integrated Service Delivery approach to working with children, youth and emerging adults.



She was formerly, a Director of Policy and Planning and a Director of Programs at Choices for Youth in St. John's for six and a half years. Prior to that Linda was a child and youth mental health clinician in Vancouver for 10 years. She received her Masters in Counselling Psychology from Simon Fraser University where she did a thesis on the Peer Relationships of Children Adopted from Romania 10 years later. Her earlier career was in journalism and she worked for CBC Radio in different cities around the country. She has a Bachelor of Applied Arts in Journalism from Ryerson University in Toronto.

Arianne Melara

Project Manager, New Brunswick Multicultural Council

Arianne was born and raised in El Salvador. She came to Canada as an international student and completed her liberal arts degree in International Relations and Economics at St. Thomas University. Arianne was the recipient of the Winfield Poole prize for the best Honours thesis in Political Science and the Prize for Economics in fourth year. Before joining NBMC, she worked for WE (formerly known as Free The Children) in Toronto supporting youth and educators in experiential service-learning programs, facilitated numerous youth workshops, and project managed a youth summit in Waterloo. She has joined NBMC as the project manager of a Multicultural Youth Leadership Program. She speaks Spanish, English, and French.

