

ABOUT THE JHS NATIONAL CONFERENCE

The 2020 John Howard Society National Conference brings together JHS teams and partners from across Canada as we investigate opportunities for multi-sector collaboration and systemic change.

Our bi-annual conference provides as a great opportunity for members of our affiliate organizations to learn about the incredible work being carried out by the 60+ John Howard Societies across Canada who are tackling some of the greatest social and criminal justice issues of our time.

By sharing best practices, identifying practical solutions, and learning from one another, we can better work to create safe, healthy and inclusive communities for all.

COMPLEX SERVICE DELIVERY TO VULNERABLE POPULATIONS IN BC: A LEADERSHIP GATHERING

In addition to our National Conference, we will be hosting a series of virtual Leadership Gatherings, which will bring together invited leaders from non-profit service agencies, social sector Ministries, health authorities, Indigenous and other community organizations, and voices of lived experience to discuss how the coordination of services can be improved to serve BC's most vulnerable populations, families and individual citizens.

THIS YEAR WE'RE GOING VIRTUAL

While COVID-19 prevented us from hosting the conference in person as planned, we are excited to be convening online and to be offering conference presentations totally free of cost for all JHS staff across Canada; making this year's conference the most accessible yet.

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Speaker Series

June 9 11:30am PST	John McCormick and Lynn Coderre from Nanaimo Region JHS will provide insights on the Therapeutic Community approach from 10-years' experience delivering the only program of its kind inside a correctional facility in Canada
June 16 11:30am PST	Team members from the Collaborating Centre for Prison Health and Education will present “Trauma at the Root: Exploring Paths to Healing from Formerly Incarcerated Men”, which features research carried out in partnership with JHS Canada
June 23 11:30am PST	Andrew Thornton from the Centre for Justice, Education and Research at Nanaimo Region John Howard Society presents on how COVID-19 has transformed the landscape for service provision, funding, and program development
June 30 11:30am PST	Teddy Chan (JHS Lower Mainland) and Rhea Higginson (JHS Canada) explore JHS Canada's first National Program, Community Case Management Services - an alternative to detention for individuals awaiting deportation
July 7 11:30am PST	Mo Korchinski and Pam Young from Unlocking the Gates will deliver a workshop on the value of peer mentorship as people transition to the community from corrections and the impact that COVID-19 has had on their programming
July 14 11:30am PST	Clare Gallant from JHS Edmonton will provide an overview of the design and implementation of the Domestic Violence Justice Response project along with early findings and anticipated outcomes of the program
July 21 11:30am PST	Dhorea Ramanula will speak to the emergence of PEOPLE Employment Services in Kelowna, how they've adapted services during the global pandemic, and how they are thriving amidst this trying time
July 28 11:30am PST	Catherine Latimer (JHS Canada), Teddy Chan (JHS Lower Mainland), and David Towers (Peer Mentor) will present on the Peer Mentorship Program , which will include lived experience speakers from the JHS Canada Podcast series
July 30 12:30am PST	Andrea Monteiro (Yukon Government), Howard Sapers (Independent Advisor on Corrections Reform), and JHSLM's Mark Miller & Pam Flegel present the supervised residential housing program in Whitehorse, the first program of its kind in Canada