

## HALTON REGION PUBLIC HEALTH • Office of the Medical Officer of Health

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TO: Halton Physicians, Nurse Practitioners, Emergency Departments, other Healthcare Providers

FROM: Dr. Deepika Lobo, Acting Medical Officer of Health

DATE: February 12, 2024

RE: Register today for two local physician webinars on addiction and optimizing prenatal care

## QUICK FACTS

- The Halton Physician Association is hosting two upcoming virtual seminars for physicians:
  - Thursday, February 15 at 7 p.m. <u>"Understanding and Supporting Patients Experiencing</u> <u>Addiction</u>" led by the Halton RAAM Clinic Medical Director and Addiction Medicine Physician, Dr. Darren Holub.
  - Wednesday, February 28 at 7-8:30 p.m. <u>"Optimizing Prenatal Care"</u> led by Dr. Subani Selvarajah, Chief of Family Medicine, Oakville site at Halton Healthcare and Dr. Margaret Cawkwell, Chief of Family Medicine Obstetrics.
- Substance misuse information for health care providers can be found at <u>halton.ca/physicians</u>, including Halton-specific recorded webinars:
  - o <u>Clinical implications of Canada's Guidance on Alcohol and Health</u>, March 8, 2023
  - o Supporting your patients during Canada's opioid crisis, June 22, 2022
- <u>Pregnancy and postpartum programs and support</u> can also be found at <u>halton.ca/physicians</u>, including:
  - o Perinatal Mood Disorder crisis help lines and screening tools

## ADDITIONAL PRENATAL SUPPORTS AND SERVICES FROM HALTON REGION

- Prenatal Supports Available to ALL Patients:
  - o <u>HaltonParents</u>
  - Halton Online Prenatal Classes
  - o Virtual Prenatal Breastfeeding Class
- Prenatal Services Available to Patients Requiring EXTRA Support (i.e., young, isolated, new to Canada, financial challenges, etc.):
  - o Halton Prenatal Nutrition Program (HPNP)
  - o Healthy Babies Healthy Children (HBHC)

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- <u>haltonphysicianassociation.ca</u> Halton Physician Association
- <u>Preconception Health Care Tool</u> Centre for Effective Practice
- EMR Preconception Health Care Tool Centre for Effective Practice
- Halton & Mississauga Rapid Access Addiction Medicine Clinic

Please report all suspected/confirmed cases of <u>Diseases of Public Health Significance</u> (only report COVID-19 cases occurring in high-risk settings) to Public Health immediately by calling 311, 905-825-6000 or toll free at 1-866-442-5866.

PLEASE PROVIDE A COPY TO ALL PHYSICIANS IN YOUR OFFICE AND/OR POST IN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS AND PHYSICIAN LOUNGES. IF YOU HAVE ANY ISSUES WITH THIS ATTACHMENT, PLEASE EMAIL <u>DOCTORS@HALTON.CA</u>.