



Workers' Compensation and Poverty: What does the Research Show?

Research to Action Workshop: October 22 & 23 2015



1st Keynote Speaker

Wayne Lewchuk, School of Labour Studies, McMaster University

Wayne Lewchuk is author of the book *Working Without Commitments: Precarious Employment and Health* published by McGill Queen's

University Press. Lewchuk will talk about how data can be both a friend of those looking to protect the health of workers and an enemy. He will touch on how we design valid data collection methodologies and how we judge whether what we find is meaningful.



2nd Keynote Speaker

Karen Messing, Département des sciences biologiques, Université du Québec à Montréal

Karen Messing is author of the book *Pain and Prejudice: What Science Can Learn About Work from the People Who Do It* published by

Between the Line. Messing is an ergonomist and biologist who has been doing research on worker health for almost 40 years.

Day 1: Use and Abuse of Research

Thursday October 22nd 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Opening Comments from the Moderator

1st Keynote: Wayne Lewchuk, McMaster University

2nd Keynote: Karen Messing, Université du Québec à Montréal

Audience Questions and Answers

Hors D 'Oeuvres

Day 2: Understanding and Exposing Injured Worker Poverty

Friday October 23rd 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Opening Comments from the Moderator

Topic 1 Work Injury and Poverty: Investigating Prevalence across Programs and Over Time: Emile Tompa, Senior Scientist, Institute for Work & Health

Topic 2 Poverty status of worker compensation claimants with permanent impairments: Peri Ballantyne, Associate Professor, Trent University

Topic 3: Injured workers Poverty Survey: Bonnie Heath, PhD Candidate, York University

Audience Questions and Answers

Community Theatre Presentation

Lunch

Break Out Group Activity and Report Back

Next Steps

Workshop Goals

1. To learn more about research and the how it affects public opinion and public policy
2. To learn more about the poverty faced by injured workers.
3. To identify what further research we need on the subject.
4. To prepare to take action through the development of research, public/media, and political strategies.

Registration Required

RSVP to BancroftInstitute@gmail.com

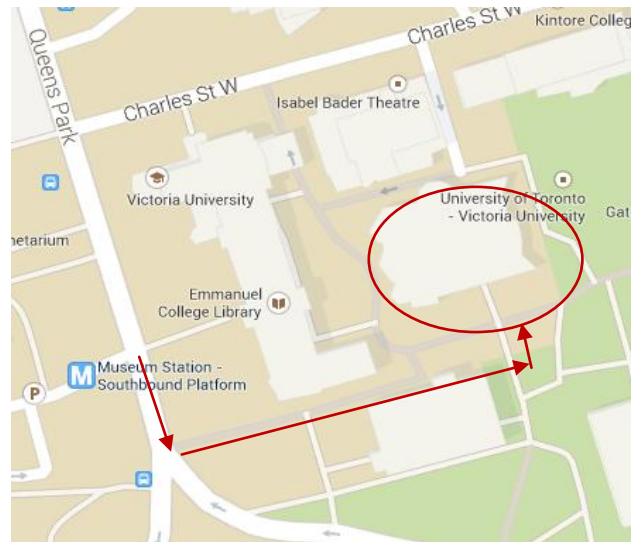
Registration fee is \$100 for the waged, \$50 for students and free for the unwaged (tokens also provided for the unwaged). Cheque payable in advance or at the door to Bancroft Institute (IWC).

Please avoid wearing scents or fragrances when attending the workshop.

Workshop Locations

Day 1 (Thursday Evening) Venue

Victoria College, Room 206, University of Toronto
91 Charles Street West, Toronto Ontario



Day 2 (All Day Friday) Venue

Polish Combatants Association Hall (Branch 20)
206 Beverley Street, Toronto, Ontario

