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Toronto Health Economics and  
Technology Assessment Collaborative

## Fourth Annual Symposium:

Scientific & Pragmatic Challenges  
in Field Evaluations

June 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011  
Prince of Wales Hotel  
Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario



University Health Network  
Toronto General Hospital Toronto Western Hospital Princess Margaret Hospital



# Programme

## Friday, June 3

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- 3:00 pm** Registration & check-in at the Prince of Wales Hotel
- 6:30 pm** Bus departs for Château des Charmes winery

## Saturday, June 4

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- 7:30 – 8:30 am** Breakfast & registration

### Welcome, Purpose & Overview

- 8:30 – 8:45 am** [Louise Lemieux-Charles](#) Chair, Department of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation, University of Toronto

[Murray Krahn](#) Director, THETA; F. Norman Hughes Chair & Professor, Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Toronto

### The Role of Randomized Trials and Non-Experimental Research in Field Evaluations

- 8:45 – 9:20 am** [Barney Reeves](#) Professorial Research Fellow in Health Services Research, University of Bristol, UK

- 9:20 – 9:55 am** [David Henry](#) President & CEO, Institute for Clinical Evaluative Sciences; Professor, Department of Medicine, University of Toronto; Adjunct Professor, School of Medicine and Population Health, University of Newcastle, Australia

- 9:55 – 10:10 am** *Respondent and Discussion:*

[Andreas Laupacis](#) Executive Director, Li Ka Shing Knowledge Institute of St. Michael's Hospital; Professor, Departments of Medicine & Health Policy, Management and Evaluation, University of Toronto; Member, Institute of Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto

- 10:10 – 10:25 am** Break

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## Field Evaluation in Other Jurisdictions: Recent Developments

- 10:25 – 11:00 am** [Pierre Dagenais](#) Director of the Methodology Department, INESS (L'institut national d'excellence en santé et en services sociaux)
- 11:00 – 11:20 am** [Laura Esmail](#) Senior Project Manager, Center for Medical Technology Policy (CMTP), Baltimore, MD
- 11:20 – 11:40 am** [Tammy Clifford](#) Chief Scientist, Canadian Agency for Drugs and Technologies in Health (CADTH), Ottawa
- 11:40 – 12:00 pm** [Kaye Hewson](#) Principal Policy Officer, Clinical Policy Unit, Queensland Health, Australia

**12:00 – 1:15 pm** Lunch

## Field Evaluation in the “Pre-Market Space”

- 1:15 – 2:00 pm** [Les Levin](#) Head, Medical Advisory Secretariat; Senior Medical, Scientific and Health Technology Advisor, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, Ontario

## Methods Issues in Device Evaluations

- 2:00 – 2:30 pm** [Patricia Trbovich](#) Human Factors Specialist, Centre for Global eHealth Innovation, University Health Network, Toronto

**2:30 – 2:45 pm** Break

## Value of Information (VOI) analysis in the Context of Field Evaluations

- 2:45 – 3:30 pm** [Ava John-Baptiste](#) THETA Collaborator
- [Mike Paulden](#) Research Associate, THETA Collaborative
- [Ba' Pham](#) Senior Research Associate, THETA Collaborative

**3:30 – 4:30 pm** **THETA 3-year Review Meeting**

**4:30 pm** Adjournment