

# MAiD2026

## Research Forum

April 30 | 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM ET

**Morning**

**8:30 AM ET** **Registration** *(Please note that refreshments are not provided during registration)*

**9:00 AM ET** **Welcome**

**Barb Pesut**  
*University of British Columbia*

**9:05 AM ET**

Designing a national framework for data collection and research about MAiD

**James Downar**  
*University of Ottawa*

**10:05 AM ET** **Networking & Health Break** *(25 minutes)*

**10:30 AM ET**

Practice guidance for MAiD refusals:  
Co-developing actionable recommendations

**Alexandra Beaudin**  
*University of Ottawa*

**10:35 AM ET**

MAiD and the Landscape of Death and Dying in Canada

**Ellen Badone**  
*McMaster University*

**10:40 AM ET**

Advance requests for medical assistance in dying in Quebec: Perspectives of key stakeholders involved

**Gabrielle Lalonde-LeBlond**  
*Centre de recherche du CHUM*

**10:45 AM ET**

Testing the Reliability and Validity of the MAiD Urgency and Prioritization Tool

**Heidi Parker**  
*Vancouver Coastal Health*

**10:50 AM ET**

**Question & Answer**

**11:03 AM ET**

A Community-Engaged Approach to Strengthen Supports for Equity-Deserving Populations Seeking MAiD

**Caroline Variath**  
*Vancouver Island University*

**11:13 AM ET**

The Practice of Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) in New Brunswick: Preliminary Results

**Pierrette Fortin**  
*Université de Moncton*

**11:23 AM ET**

**Question & Answer**

**11:35 AM ET** **Lunch Break** *(85 minutes) Please note that lunch is not provided for this session.*



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### Afternoon

1:00 PM ET

**Welcome**

**Sally Thorne**

*University of British Columbia*

1:00 PM ET

Developing an understanding of Decisional Vulnerability in the context of MAiD Track 2

**Barb Pesut**

*University of British Columbia*

1:20 PM ET

Thinking Together About MAiD and Mental Disorders: A Co-Developed Reflection and Discussion Guide

**Caroline Favron-Godbout**

*Université de Montréal*

1:40 PM ET

The Work of Track 2 MAiD

**Christina Sinding**

**Kati Ivanyi**

2:00 PM ET

**Networking & Health Break** (30 minutes)

2:30 PM ET

MAiDHouse: a qualitative study on structured community-based support for grief and bereavement

**Jashnoor Chhina**

*University of Toronto*

2:50 PM ET

Coordinating MAiD services in Ontario: A patchwork of practices, roles and structures

**Samia Chreim**

*University of Ottawa*

3:10 PM ET

From Decision to Bereavement: Lived-Experience Peer Support and Medical Assistance in Dying

**Tracy Powell**

*Mount Royal University*

3:30 PM ET

What explains the evolution of the use of medical assistance in dying in Quebec? Progress of the CIRAMM project

**Marie-Eve Bouthillier**

**Isabelle Marcoux**

**Catherine Perron**

4:30 PM ET

**Main Conference Presentation Selections**

**Sally Thorne**

*University of British Columbia*

4:35 PM ET

**Conclusion & Adjournment**

