



## Beyond Phlebotomy: The Ontario Phlebotomy Symposium

### March 28, 2020 – Session Details

#### **Care Considerations for Inclusion of Gender Diversity within Medical Laboratory Services**

*Dr. Miranda Wozniak*

*This presentation will discuss the main healthcare obstacles of the transgender population that are related to laboratory medicine and the role of the medical laboratory and health care professionals in overcoming these obstacles. Discussion will include review of the recent IQMH guideline publication entitled 'Care Considerations for Inclusion of Gender Diversity within Medical Laboratory Services'. A brief review the future challenges will also be presented.*

*Speaker Bio:*

*Dr. Wozniak obtained her medical degree from the University of Ottawa in 2006 and her FRCPC certificate in Hematological Pathology at the Ottawa Hospital in May 2010. She joined LifeLabs in November 2010. Her roles include Ontario Hematology Discipline Head, Laboratory Director and Deputy Ontario Medical Director. She is also an Adjunct Clinical Lecturer in the Department of Laboratory Medicine and Pathobiology at the University of Toronto. In addition, Dr. Wozniak is a member of the IQMH Hematology Committee and is Chair of the IQMH Gender Diversity Working Group.*

#### **The Journey to Improving Blood Cultures**

*Grant Johnson, MLT*

*Details TBA*

*Speaker Bio:*



## **The Patient Behind the Tests**

*Robyn Lippett and Guest from Family Advisory Network, Sick Kids Hospital*

### *Learning Objectives:*

- *Learn what Family Advisory Network (FAN) is*
- *Discover the role of Patient/Family advisors*
- *Ascertain the importance of having a voice of the patients & family's*
- *Uncover opportunities for change in the system*
- *Review the history of the FAN and why it was created*

*This presentation will centre on the patient and family experience with blood collection, focusing on insight from those that have regular blood work done. We'll discuss how negative experiences can result in a positive outcome and how the Patient/Family advisor can help to create this change in outcome. Learn why it's so important for the health care team to encourage improvements, if patients are not satisfied with their experience.*

### *Speaker Bio:*

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## **Let's Talk Ethics!**

*Christine Nielsen, BHA, MLT*

*What do you do when there is pressure to conform? How do you react differently in a toxic environment? It is not only about ethical concerns in the lab, it's also about how we fit into our local communities and the national health system. Topics such as diversity, gender and race are big discussion items in the news. Other topics such as whistleblowing and fighting to prove that an individual has made an ethical choice in an interdisciplinary environment are also on the table. We'll review a number of cases but feel free to bring any you find interesting and we can discuss them too.*

### *Speaker Bio:*

*Christine Nielsen became chief executive officer of the Canadian Society for Medical Laboratory Science in 2010. She is a medical laboratory technologist, with a degree in Health Administration and a Certified Association Executive, with a Certificate of Mastery in Prior Learning Assessment from the Council for Adult and Experiential Learning at DePaul University in Chicago. Christine is currently completing an MBA from the Edinburgh School of Business, Scotland.*



## **Preanalytical Variability: From Dream to Reality**

*Roopnarine Sasenarine MLT, CCRP*

*Preanalytical variability has become an important focus for health care professionals. This presentation will review case studies, recommended practice in venipuncture collection, including the most recent CLSI guidelines, as well as offering insight into the various practices used to collect blood, and how these results can affect patient's outcome.*

### *Speaker Bio:*

*Roopnarine Sasenarine holds a Bachelor's in Microbiology, a Certificate in Clinical Research and a college degree in Medical Laboratory Technology. He has worked as an MLT for 18 years followed by 10 years as a Research Laboratory Manager. He joined BD 7 years ago as a clinical specialist/clinical educator for the Pre-Analytics division.*

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