



**Social Determinants of Health:  
Opportunities abound for Moving from Concept to Action but there are Formidable Barriers to Overcome**

**Presented by Dennis Raphael, PhD**

9:00am—4:00pm; March 19, 2015; The Coast Hotel, Lethbridge

## Presenter

**Dennis Raphael, PhD**, is a Professor of Health Policy and Management at York University in Toronto. The most recent of his over 250 scientific publications have focused on the health effects of income inequality and poverty, the quality of life of communities and individuals, and the impact of government decisions on Canadians' health and well-being.

Dr. Raphael is editor of *Social Determinants of Health: Canadian Perspectives*, co-editor of *Staying Alive: Critical Perspectives on Health, Illness, and Health Care* and author of *Poverty in Canada: Implications for Health and Quality of Life*, all published by Canadian Scholars' Press. *Health Promotion and Quality of Life in Canada: Essential Readings*, an edited collection was released in January 2010 and *About Canada: Health and Illness* is published by Fernwood Publishers. *Social Determinants of Health: The Canadian Facts* (co-author) is a primer for the Canadian public has been downloaded over 250,000 times and is available at <http://thecanadianfacts.org>. His latest book *Tackling Health Inequalities: Lessons from International Experiences* was published in 2012.

## Overview

Despite frequent references to the importance of addressing the social determinants of health in Canadian governmental and institutional documents and reports, actual activity that does so lags far behind in Canada as compared to other nations. There are various reasons why this is the case and these include the contested notion of the social determinants of health concept, prevailing understandings as to the nature of health held by Canadians, and unique Canadian economic and political structures and processes. This workshop will identify various means of addressing the social determinants of health and how these barriers to action can be overcome.

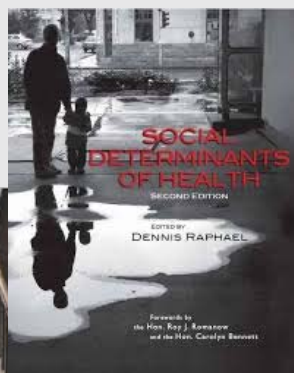
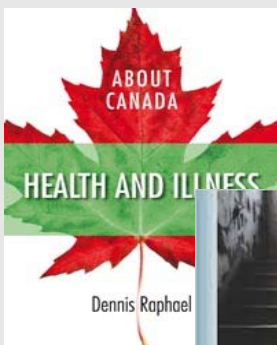
## Learning Objectives

By the completion of the workshop, participants will be able to:

- Communicate the relevant evidence of how the social determinants of health are the primary predictors of health outcomes across the life-span.
- Identify how differing ways of thinking about the social determinants of health shape the actions taken by governing authorities, public health and social service agencies.
- Apply various models of community action and public policy change to take action on the social determinants of health.
- Respond to the various barriers to taking action on the social determinants that exist at the micro- meso- and macro-level.

## Accreditation:

This workshop is approved for 6 ACSW Category "A" credits. Certificate of Participation will be issued to all participants who attend the workshop in full. No partial credits available.



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