

Family Education Forum



FINDING A HOME - HOUSING 101

MAY 13, 2017 Saturday

9:00 am – 12:30 pm

Paetzold Auditorium, Vancouver General Hospital, 899 West 12th Avenue

Working Together for Mental Health and Substance Use

Housing improves quality of life and is key component of recovery for people with mental illness and substance use. Affordable and supportive housing reduces hospitalizations, psychiatric symptoms and substance use while increasing freedom, privacy, dignity and safety.

Speakers:

- **Frances Kenny**, (Chair of Vancouver Family Advisory Committee)
- **Andy Day**, (Operations Director, Community Health Services at Vancouver Coastal Health & Planning Lead for Primary Care)
- **Bryn Genelle Ditmars** (Peer Support Worker)

Keynote Speaker:

“Accessing Housing Services: an Overview”

Anna Richley (Manager, Mental Health and Substance Use Housing Services VCH)

Panel Discussion: “Housing First”

- **Amber Romanowski** (Peer Advisory Committee VCH)
- **Patti Gilbertson OT, MA** (Facilities Liaison, Mental Health & Substance Use Supported Housing VCH)
- **Terri Smith** (Substance Use Housing Case Manager, Mental Health and Substance Use Services VCH)
- **Will Valenciano** (Housing and Health Services Manager, Orange Hall DTES Region, BC Housing)

Moderator: Jennifer Glasgow

(Manager, Family Services Involvement Team VCH)

REGISTRATION

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