



Pharmacy Technician

SOCIETY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

2023 Conference



The Pharmacy Technician Society of British Columbia is proud to bring you the 17th annual BC Pharmacy Technician Conference, featuring dynamic speakers from diverse practice backgrounds with sessions relevant to technicians in all practice settings.

Join us in-person at the River Rock Casino Resort in Richmond, BC on **Friday, October 13th** and **Saturday, October 14th** for educational sessions and networking with your colleagues!

REGISTRATION

Registration deadline is September 15th, 2023. Register now to reserve your spot! Full registration fee covers the Friday evening networking session and entertainment; Saturday breakfast, lunch, and all presentations. Note that your registration is not finalized until payment is received in full.

Please note that by registering for the PTSBC Conference, you have provided your release for the free use by PTSBC for promotional purposes of any photographs taken of you or in which you may be seen during the conference. A list of the names of all registrants attending the conference will be made available.

PTSBC reserves the right to restrict enrollment, cancel, postpone, or to otherwise modify the program due to inadequate registration or other causes beyond its control. Notification of request to cancel registration must be received in writing via email to info@ptsbc.org on or before October 2nd, 2023, 5:00 PM and is subject to a processing fee. There will be no refunds of registration fees for cancellations received after this date.

Register for Conference

ACCREDITATION

The content of this conference has been submitted for review by the Canadian Council on Continuing Education in Pharmacy (CCCEP) for accreditation.

We anticipate approximately 7.0 accredited learning hours that can be used towards your annual PDAP requirements!

Conference Agenda

2023

2023 PTSBC Member of the Year Award

Every year, we recognize a PTSBC member for their commitment to professionalism through excellence in pharmacy practice. If you know of a technician that deserves recognition for making a difference, let us know by nominating them for the member of the year award! The honoree will receive a \$300 award, plus complimentary registration and one night accommodations to attend the next annual conference. Submission deadline is September 15th, 2023. Click the button below to nominate a technician today!



2023 Poster Presentation

A poster presentation competition will be held on the evening of October 13th from 5:30pm - 7:30pm. A cash prize of \$500 will be awarded for the best poster. Submission deadline is September 15th, 2023. Please see our website for full details. Questions can be emailed to info@ptsbc.org. Good luck to all participants!



Friday, October 13, 2023

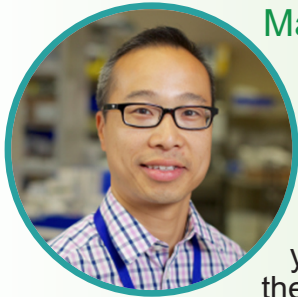
- 5:30 pm Welcome, Opening Remarks, Vendor Exhibits, Networking Session and Prizes
- 8:00 pm Entertainment - Pub Trivia
- 9:00 pm 50/50 Draw

Saturday, October 14, 2023

- 7:15 am Hot breakfast buffet
- 7:45 am Welcome and Opening Remarks & Prizes
- 8:00 am Session 1: College Tech Talk 2023 (Suzanne Solven, Bethany Gamache, Vivian Dang, Ed Diaz)
- 9:00 am Session 2: Community Injectable Opioid Antagonist Therapy (iOAT) (Sean Reid, Simran Riarh)
- 10:00 am Networking Break
- 10:15 am Session 3: Chiropractors in the Community (Baltej Sekhon)
- 11:15 am Session 4: TBD
- 12:15 pm PTSBC AGM / Lunch Break / Prizes
- 1:15 pm Session 5: Supporting First Nations Health and Wellness through Pharmacy Benefits (Turner Berreth)
- 2:15 pm Session 6: TBD
- 3:15 pm Networking Break
- 3:30 pm Session 7: Generation All - How to Build and Lead Multigenerational Pharmacy Teams (Eric Termuende)
- 4:30 pm Grand Prize and Closing Remarks

Speaker Spotlight

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Master of Ceremonies: Ray Jang

Ray worked as a pharmacy assistant in a chain drug store for four years while completing the University of British Columbia's Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences undergraduate program. Following graduation, he worked in the same community pharmacy where he was an assistant until he completed a hospital pharmacy residency program based out of St. Paul's Hospital in Vancouver, BC. With over 25 years of practice as a pharmacist in several different hospitals, Ray has been active in the field of pharmacy, participating in various roles and committees within the College of Pharmacists of BC, the Pharmacy Examining Board of Canada, and Lower Mainland Pharmacy Services. Some examples of Ray's involvement includes serving as a past board member for six years at PEBC on the national level, working as a Chief Examiner of PEBC for four years in Vancouver at the local level, serving as the current chair of the CPBC Registration Committee, serving as an interim Pharmacy Manager covering Fraser Canyon Hospital, Chilliwack General Hospital, Langley Memorial Hospital, Ridge Meadows Hospital, and Eagle Ridge Hospital, and being part of the pharmacy leadership team at Surrey Memorial Hospital as the Pharmacy Distribution Coordinator. When not thinking about the field of pharmacy, Ray can be found cycling, fishing, or spending time with his spouse and two daughters.

Entertainment: Pub Trivia

Join us for a trendy, interactive game of topical trivia, fun, and competition! Teams will be challenged to answer picture-based, multiple choice, fill in the blank, music-based, and even multi-media questions. There may be some active challenges thrown in along the way, and at the end of the game, teams switch worksheets and scoring begins. Is your team up for the challenge?



Speaker: Turner Berreth

Session Title: Weaving Cultural Safety and Humility into Pharmacy Practice

Turner is a pharmacist and a member of the Métis Nation of BC. He has a background in community pharmacy. He now works with the First Nations Health Authority as a Health Benefits & Services pharmacist and is also an Addiction Pharmacy Fellow with the BC Centre on Substance Use.

Speaker Spotlight

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Speaker: Suzanne Solven

Session Title: College Tech Talk 2023



Suzanne has been a pharmacist since 1987. She worked in community pharmacy practice before moving to the provincial government from 1993-2007; became Executive Director of BC PharmaCare; involved in drug policy development of the low cost alternative program, reference pricing, limited drug coverage, special authorization, preferential listings, product listing agreement negotiations and coverage with evidence development. She led the Drug Benefit Committee, was Co-Chair of the National Pharmaceutical Strategy (1st phase) and Chair of the drug plan advisory committee at CADTH. She has led many provincial and national initiatives.

In 2007, she became the Deputy Registrar of the College of Pharmacists of BC and spent 10 years leading the legislation, bylaws, standards and policy development, complaints and discipline departments.

In 2016, Suzanne moved to Pacific Blue Cross (PBC) as the Associate Vice President of Audit, Investigations and Quality Assurance, leading the fraud investigation and internal audit branches. At PBC, Suzanne developed and implemented a 5-year Anti-Fraud Strategy that included major transformative change that resulted in PBC becoming a leader in healthcare benefit anti-fraud work. She also restructured and enhanced the Internal Audit branch to assist with ensuring appropriate controls are in place from an enterprise-wide, holistic viewpoint. She was also the Interim Chief Risk officer.

In January 2022, Suzanne came back to the College as the Registrar and CEO where she is very excited to be working with the College Board and staff on the Board strategic priorities to ensure safe and effective pharmacy care for British Columbians.

Speaker: Bethany Gamache

Session Title: College Tech Talk 2023



Bethany is a Hospital Pharmacy Compliance Officer for the College of Pharmacists of BC. She completed her pharmacy technician course in 2001 and became regulated in 2014. Bethany has extensive

experience in hospital pharmacy practice. Prior to joining the College, she worked at St. Paul's Hospital. In 2020, she successfully completed her Certified Investigator / Inspector Training with The Council on Licensure, Enforcement and Regulation. Most recently, in 2021, she became a Certified Sterile Compounding Inspector through Critical Point and the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy.

Speaker: Vivian Dang

Session Title: College Tech Talk 2023



Vivian is a registered pharmacy technician with a background in health sciences and data analysis.

Speaker: Ed Diaz

Session Title: College Tech Talk 2023



Ed is a Practice Reviews / Quality Assurance Coordinator & Hospital Compliance Officer for the College of Pharmacists of BC. He completed the pharmacy technician course in 2000 and became a regulated pharmacy technician in 2015. He has worked in community, hospital and long-term care pharmacy settings. Ed has been with the College since 2018.

Speaker Spotlight

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Speaker: Dr. Baltej Sekhon

Session Title: Chiropractors in the Community

Beginning his education with a Bachelor of Science from UBC, Dr. Baltej Sekhon went on to complete his Doctorate of Chiropractic in Portland, Oregon. He now practices in Abbotsford where he combines manual therapy, including soft tissue massage cupping and chiropractic adjustments, with exercise-based approaches.

Speaker: Eric Termuende

Session Title: Generation All - How to Build and Lead Multigenerational Pharmacy Teams



A globally recognized thought leader, bestselling author, and keynote speaker, Eric Termuende brings a fresh perspective to the future of work, leadership, workplace culture, and talent management. He has spent years studying the world's greatest places to work to learn what sets amazing leaders apart and how to build resilient, innovative, and future-ready teams. Termuende's refreshing, down-to-earth messaging not only leaves audiences excited about the future, but also equips them with the practical tools and know-how to thrive in it.

Termuende has delivered hundreds of keynotes around the world, with clients from category-leading companies like Amazon, Coca-Cola, Nationwide, IBM, Zoom, Nokia, John Deere, and Toyota, to name a few. His research and insights have also been featured in Forbes, Fast Company, Inc., And many other prominent publications. Termuende has been named one of the world's Top 100 Emerging Innovators by American Express and is a former World Economic Forum Global Shaper.

In addition, Termuende is the co-founder of NoW of Work, where he advises industry-leading organizations, institutions, and associations on future-proofing their teams, talent-management, and rehumanizing the workplace. His bestselling book, Rethink Work, has become a must-read for today's leaders. From the stages of TEDx to BUILDX to the Milken Global Conference, Termuende inspires, challenges, and opens minds to opportunities for growth.

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