



Department of Psychiatry | Département de psychiatrie



## Psychiatry Weekly ~ December 4, 2023

### THIS ISSUE'S HIGHLIGHT - LES ACTUALITÉS



#### Quebec announces an investment of \$4.5 million in mental health research initiatives

On November 28, Quebec announced an investment of **\$4.5 million** in mental health research initiatives. These include 4 research projects and the Alliance en santé mentale et neurosciences, which will bring together Quebec's three university mental health institutes, including the Douglas Research Centre (CIUSSS Ouest-de-l'Île-de-Montréal), CERVO (CIUSSS Capitale-Nationale), and the Centre de recherche de l'Institut universitaire



#### Online Cognitive-Behavioural Therapy Seminar Series

The Centre for Cognitive-Behavioural Therapy Research, Training, and Intervention of the McGill University Health Centre is offering an opportunity to attend an online 15-week seminar series on CBT for all mental health workers and trainees. The Winter 2024 edition starts January 11, 2024. This program has approval from the Canadian Psychological Association to offer up to **22.5 continuing education (CE) credits** for attending. The

en santé mentale de Montréal (CIUSSS Est-de-l'Île-de-Montréal). [Read more](#)

deadline to register is January 8, 2024. [Details here](#)

## LATEST NEWS - DERNIÈRES NOUVELLES



### 1-minute survey: Reducing administrative burden in healthcare

MDs and PhDs in the Department of Family Medicine are working on a project that aims to reduce the administrative burden in Québec healthcare. They are gathering physicians' opinions on the administrative tasks in their practice. Please take a moment to complete their 1-minute survey. [English survey](#) and [French survey](#).



### Reminder: McGill Genetics Education Survey

The Medical Genetics Department at McGill University is conducting a survey to assess and improve knowledge of clinical genetics among different specialties, including psychiatry. The survey includes an instructive quiz that intends to improve the participants' understanding of practical aspects of clinical genetics. It should take about 10 minutes to complete, and includes answers with feedback at the end. The survey is available in [English](#) and [French](#).



### 26th biennial conference of the Life History Research Society

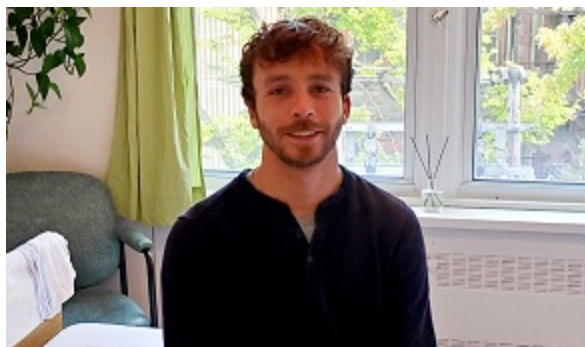
The 26th biennial conference of the Life History Research Society (LHRS) will take place in Montreal in May 2024. This conference is expected to attract nearly 300 psychology specialists from around the world to talk about their longitudinal research on human development. The event is co-organized by Dr. Marie-Claude Geoffroy as well as her colleagues from McGill University and the University of Montreal, and will be held at the MIL campus of UdeM from May 28 to 31, 2024. [Read more](#)

## OUR EXPERTS IN THE MEDIA - NOS SPÉCIALISTES DANS LES MÉDIAS

### Dr. Romina Mizrahi, Brain & Behavior Research Foundation

Gliosis, an Immune Response to Brain Injury, Is Found in Brains of Recovered COVID Patients With Lasting Depression and Cognitive Symptoms. [Read more](#)

## IN THE SPOTLIGHT - EN VEDETTE



### Dr. Kyle Greenway, Assistant Professor

In this issue's Spotlight, we welcome **Dr. Kyle Greenway**, who joined the Department of Psychiatry in July 2023 as a full-time Assistant Professor (Clinical).

Dr. Greenway completed his Psychiatric Residency and the Clinical Investigator program at McGill University, as well as a fellowship at Imperial College's Psychedelic Research Centre. He has a longstanding interest in research, evolving from chemistry and physics during a Master's degree at Simon Fraser University to clinical and mechanistic studies of novel psychiatric treatments, particularly ketamine and serotonergic psychedelic agents in conjunction with psychotherapy.

Dr. Greenway is honored to be returning to his alma mater and thrilled to join the Jewish General Hospital, where his clinical practice will focus on consult-liaison psychiatry and novel treatments of refractory mood disorders.



### Dr. Klara Meierer, Assistant Professor

We also welcome **Dr. Klara Meierer**, who joined the Department of Psychiatry in November 2023 as a full-time Assistant Professor (Clinical).

Dr. Meierer completed her medical studies at the University of Montreal, and her psychiatry training at McGill. She received a Master's degree in Bioethics from KU Leuven, Belgium during residency. Her clinical, research and advocacy work is in adult neurodevelopmental psychiatry.

Dr. Meierer will be joining the Douglas Mental Health University Institute as the Medical Service Chief of the Intellectual Disability - Psychiatric Comorbidity Program, starting January 8, 2024.

## UPCOMING EVENTS - ÉVÉNEMENTS À VENIR

## December 4 (11:00 - 12:00) Neuroscience Mental Health Seminar

*Altered input/output properties of cortical pyramidal neurons in a mouse model of Fragile X syndrome* by Roberto Araya, PhD, Associate Professor of Neuroscience, University of Montreal and CHU Saint-Justine Research Centre. [Read more](#)

## December 5 (12:00 - 13:00) Psychosocial Research Rounds

*Innovative Behavioral Approaches to Mental Health Issues in Patients undergoing Dialysis: Exercise and Mind-Body Interventions* by Drs. Mona Ben M'rad and Soham Rej. This is an hybrid event. [Read more](#)

## December 8 (9:00 - 10:30) DISCOURSE Seminar Series

This year we will be highlighting work from the Schizophrenia Bulletin Language in Psychosis special issue. [Read more](#)

## December 11 (9:30 - 11:30) Celebrating 15 Years of the Silveira Lab

*15th Anniversary Inspirations, trajectories and perspectives: Since 2008 a career development symposium.* We are pleased to share that the Silveira Lab will be celebrating its 15-year anniversary with a Symposium at the Douglas Hall. [Read more](#)

## December 12 (12:00 - 13:00) Psychosocial Research Rounds

*In process: a process-based antiracism curriculum for psychiatry residents, a qualitative study* by Martin (Xin Qiang) Yang,

## December 14 (12:00 - 13:30) Departmental Distinguished Grand Rounds - MAiD for Patients with Mental Disorders as Sole Underlying Medical Condition Series CANCELLED

## December 15 (12:00 - 13:00) McGill Genetics Education Lecture

*Clinical Genetics for the Non-Geneticist.* This virtual lecture is hosted by the McGill Genetics Education. Medical professionals at any stage of their medical training or career may attend. [Registration](#)

## December 15 (15:30 - 17:30) Leo & Rachel Hendlisz Scientific Event

The Hendlisz Awards acknowledges the best articles from Douglas trainees. Join us for exciting research presentations from the 6 top applicants! These presentations will be followed by the announcement of this year's 3 award winners and a cocktail. [Read more](#)

## December 19 (12:00 - 13:00) Psychosocial Research Rounds

*First deployment of AI-driven recommendations in Orthopedic Surgery* by Dr. Pascal Fallavolitta. This is a virtual event. [Read more](#)

MD, MSc and Laurence Ducharme, MD. This is an hybrid event. [Read more](#)