

Thursday February 23rd. 2023

9:00-10:00 **am**

Location

CHEB 170 Windsor Foundation Room 5793 University Avenue Dalhousie University

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THE PANELISTS



Dr. Stan Kutcher Senator





Marli MacNeil COO - Research NS



Andy Filmore MP - Halifax

About the program

This panel discussion is part of the BRC Research Day 2023 program. The objective of this discussion is to understand the ongoing support for neuroscience research. We want to hear about sustainability and the future of funding: challenges and opportunities.

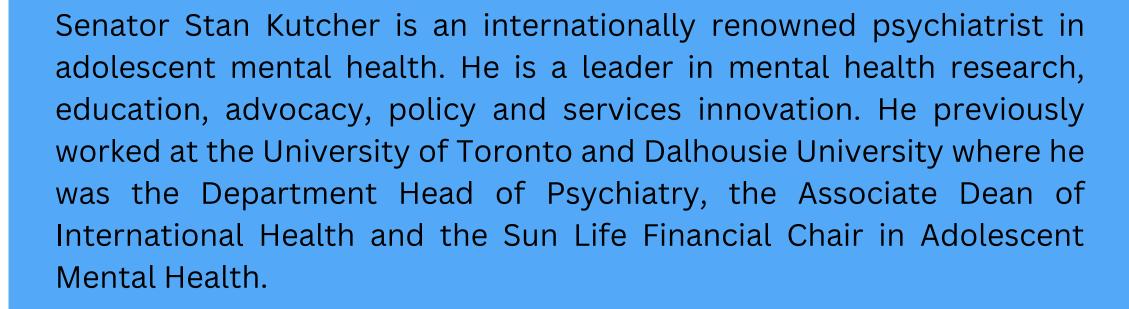
Dr. Jennie Young

ED - Canadian Brain

Research Strategy

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Marli MacNeil is the Chief Operating Officer of Research Nova Scotia, a position she's held since 2019. Research Nova Scotia is the non-profit corporation created to support, organize, and coordinate research funded by the provincial government. Its missions-oriented research strategy is organized into four areas: sustainable bioeconomy, climate change, adaptation and resilience, health people and health care systems, and improved quality of life. Prior to 2019, Marli worked with the Nova Scotia Health Research Foundation and spent more than 25 years supporting small businesses and start-ups.



Andy Fillmore is the Member of Parliament for Halifax and Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Innovation, Science, and Industry. First elected in 2015, he has held numerous roles in government including Parliamentary Secretary for Canadian Heritage, for Democratic Institutions, and for Infrastructure and Communities. He also served as Chair of the House of Commons Standing Committee on Indigenous Affairs. Before politics, Andy spent twenty years as a city planner and community builder in the private, public, and academic sectors, including Halifax's first-ever Manager of Urban Design.



Jennie Z. Young, PhD is the Executive Director of the Canadian Brain Research Strategy (CBRS). Dr. Young joined CBRS in March, 2021. As Executive Director, she leads a pan-Canadian effort to develop a national research strategy for brain and mental health. The mission of CBRS unites a broad, diverse coalition of government, academic, private, non-profit, research funding, patient, and Indigenous stakeholders. Together, they envision a future where Canada pioneers a powerful paradigm shift towards collaborative, transdisciplinary, and open brain research worldwide.



Mira Puri, PhD is the Manager of Science Initiatives at the Azrieli Foundation. Based in Toronto, Dr Puri develops and stewards the foundation's funding initiatives in basic and clinical research in neuroscience and neurodevelopmental disorders. Together with colleagues at the foundation, they explore the boundaries of fundamental neurosciences research, health, advocacy and community services for those living neurodevelopmental conditions, and for their families.