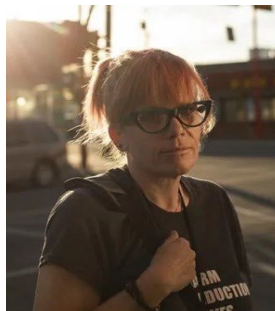# HEALTH ETHICS SEMINAR

THE ETHICS OF HARM REDUCTION:
In Conversation with Angie Staines of the 4B Harm Reduction Society

Angie Staines, LPN

Founder, 4B Harm Reduction Society (4BHRS), a non-profit organization focused on combating the drug poisoning crisis through street outreach, education, and advocacy. 4BHRS is deeply informed by Staines' son B's 13-years of substance use and her own experience with homelessness. She promotes an evidence-based approach to drug policy grounded in harm reduction, the need for a safe supply, and decriminalization.

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Alberta Health Services has developed an ethical framework for harm reduction that calls on all health care providers to provide compassionate and dignified care to patients who use drugs. This framework recognizes harm reduction as a cornerstone in the delivery of that care. Yet health care providers are at the frontline witnessing the impact of a failed response to the current drug poisoning crisis. People who use drugs (PWUD) are dying. The families who love them and the communities who try to support PWUD are fighting for the resources to save lives. How can we do better? How can harm reduction at the community level be strengthened? What is harm reduction care in the acute care setting? What should allyship and advocacy look like as we support the rights of PWUD to have access to the care they need? To help answer these questions we will hear from Angie Staines and her experience navigating a health system that is ill-prepared and under-resourced to address the needs of PWUD.

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