

SPECIAL RESEARCH ROUNDS PRESENTATION

Generating and translating knowledge on traumatic brain injury in intimate partner violence



HIGHLIGHTS

We will provide an overview of our community-engaged project examining the intersection of traumatic brain injury (TBI) and intimate partner violence (IPV). We will report on findings regarding the incidence and characteristics TBI-IPV, and how we are translating these findings into TBI-informed supports at women-serving organizations.

Karen Mason

Karen Mason is executive director of Kelowna Women's Shelter, which provides emergency and transitional housing, counseling support, advocacy, and prevention education to women, and women with children, who've experienced gender-based violence. Karen leads a team of dedicated professionals who work to support and empower women to move forward into lives free of abuse. In collaboration with UBCO, the Shelter is engaged in a research project designed to better understand the intersection of traumatic brain injury and intimate partner violence.

Paul van Donkelaar

Dr. Paul van Donkelaar is the Associate Vice-Principal, Research at the University of British Columbia's Okanagan campus and a professor in the School of Health and Exercise Sciences. His research team examines the mechanism and effects of traumatic brain injury on cerebrovascular, sensorimotor, and neurocognitive function. They use these approaches to better understand head impacts in contact sport athletes, and the interface between traumatic brain injury and intimate partner violence.