

# North York General Medical Society: Annual General Meeting

Date and Time: September 24, 2024, from 7:30 -10:00 PM

You are invited to attend our North York General Medical Society's AGM on September 24, 2024.

## Location

Room D43  
308 CME Room Progenics Stem Cell Cryobank  
(701 Sheppard Avenue East, Suite 310 North York, ON M2K 2Z3)  
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## Agenda

7:30 to 7:45 PM: Welcome  
7:45 to 9:30 PM: Panel Discussion  
8:00 to 9:30 PM: Dinner  
9:30 to 10:00 PM: Business Meeting

During the business meeting we will be voting (by show of hands) for the positions: president, vice-president, secretary-treasurer and members at large on the executive of the North York General Medical Society. A summary of the year's activities and financial report will be presented. Anyone interested in standing for one of these elected positions is encouraged to email [michaelpare@rogers.com](mailto:michaelpare@rogers.com).

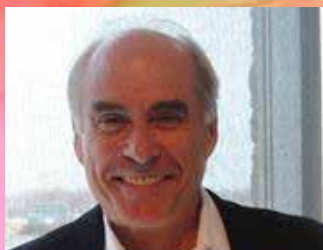
To attend this free event, please RSVP: <https://forms.gle/5frkxX4S9Gkx7XQP7>

Please let us know any dietary restriction requests at registration.

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## Panel Discussion on Psychedelics in Medicine

### Panelists



**Dr. Brian Rush Brian** is appointed as Scientist Emeritus at Centre for Addiction and Mental Health in Toronto and Professor at the University of Toronto in the Dalla Lana School of Public Health. In addition to his work over 4 decades as a mental health and substance services researcher, he is active in the psychedelic space, focused primarily on outcomes associated with traditional medicine, research synthesis and facilitating collaboration among Canadian researchers, clinicians, students, and policy makers interested in psychedelic science broadly.



**Dr. Dominique Morisano**, CPsych, is a clinical psychologist and Adjunct Professor at the University of Toronto/University of Ottawa. She has received training in psychedelic therapies from several institutions, including the CIIS Certificate in Psychedelic-Assisted Therapies and Research, and MAPS MDMA Therapy and Ketamine Training Center certificates. She served in executive leadership at the psychedelic therapy company Field Trip Health until December 2021, and runs a trauma/addiction-focused private practice (New York/Ontario),

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including KAP. She is an onsite Integration Lead and co-facilitator for Beckley Retreats, and works as an Advisor/consultant for several companies and professionals in the psychedelic therapies space. She teaches at CIIS, the University of Ottawa, Naropa, Mind Foundation, and Psychedelics Today's Vital Program, in addition to Fluence. She is also co-Founder/Chair of the Board of the nonprofit Psychedelics R2R, which was behind the 2022 international psychedelics research conference "From Research to Reality: Global Summit on Psychedelic-Assisted Therapies and Medicine" (Toronto). Website: [drmorisano.com](http://drmorisano.com).



The Very Rev **Dr Geoffrey Ready** is the director of Orthodox Christian Studies at Trinity College within the University of Toronto, Canada, where he teaches liturgical theology, pastoral studies, and both Old and New Testament. Fr Geoffrey received his doctorate in liturgical theology focusing on enacted narrative as the formative element of Christian liturgy. His research interests include the narrative and ritual shape of the spiritual journey of transformation — life, death, and resurrection — galvanised by mystical experience, prompted through ancient spiritual practices including the careful use of entheogens. Dr Geoffrey also serves as rector of Holy Myrrhbearers Orthodox Mission, an English language church that worships at Trinity College. He produces a popular podcast on Orthodox liturgy and life, "Enacting the Kingdom," and he also chairs Orthodox Christians in Dialogue with Jews, a working group of the Orthodox Theological Society in America.



**Paul Lewin**, is a lawyer in Toronto who has litigated drug cases and consulted on drug matters across Canada for 30 years. He practices with Lewin & Sagara LLP: <http://www.lewinsagara.ca> and Cannabis & Psychedelics Law Group LLP <https://www.cannpsylaw.com>. His focus concerns matters related to cannabis and psychedelics. Paul has advised doctors, therapists, nurses, patients, businesses, politicians, teachers, the police and other lawyers on cannabis and psychedelic law in Canada. Paul has spoken at cannabis and psychedelic events, lectured at universities and been interviewed in the media dozens of times about cannabis and psychedelics. Paul has spearheaded advocacy campaigns across the country and lobbied politicians at all levels of government. Paul has a current focus on how regulated health care professionals involved with the medicinal use of psychedelics are guided or not guided by their colleges and associations.

## Moderator



**Dr. Michael Paré, MSc., M.Ed., R.P.**, has several credentials in the practice of medicine. He is a member of both the College of Family Physicians of Canada, and the Ontario College of Family Physicians. He is certified in Interpersonal Psychotherapy and Certified in Group Psychotherapy. In addition, Michael has obtained a diploma in the Advanced Program in Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy (ATPPP). Dr. Paré is a Teaching Mentor / Supervisor the Medical Psychotherapy Association of Canada (MDPAC).

## North York General Medical Society:

**President: Michael Paré**  
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**Vice- President: Dr. Nicholas V Pairaudeau**  
**Past President: Dr. Stan Lofsky**  
**Secretary: Dr. Barbara Erdelyi**  
**Members at Large Dr. Nermine Gorguy, Dr. Raj Rathee**

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