Mental Health & Deafness examined at King’s Workshop

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A unique workshop at King’s on Friday, May 24 will bring together mental health professionals and American Sign Language/English Interpreters to discuss mental health interpreting.

Organized by King’s Department of Psychology, the workshop will be led by Dr. Cathy Chovaz, an assistant professor in Psychology at King’s and Canada’s first Deaf clinical psychologist. She teaches courses in clinical psychology and her area of expertise is mental health and deafness.

Dr. Chovaz will present a keynote address at 9:15am – 10:30am, Mental Health and Deafness: Considerations of a Unique Population. Dr. Chovaz will be joined by King’s staff interpreter, Judith Thomas-Moxam. She has been interpreting for 15 years. Judith has an undergraduate degree from Western University and completed her interpreter training at Cambrian College. She has worked in various mental health settings with Deaf consumers and professionals. She provides educational seminars to agencies across Ontario on Mental Health Interpreting and is currently working on a research study on the attitudes of interpreters working in a mental health setting.

The conference is being held in Labatt Hall, 266 Epworth Ave, London. More than 80 delegates from across Ontario and New Brunswick will be attending.

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