



## NOTICE OF MEETING

**DATE:** THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2020

**TIME:** 12.40 – 2 pm

**FORMAT:** Virtual Gathering Via Zoom

**COST:** \$20 Members | \$25 Non-Members

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### MENTAL CAPACITY & HEALTH CARE DECISIONS – MAKING RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES

#### GUEST SPEAKER – KRISTA JAMES



Krista James is a lawyer and National Director for the Canadian Centre for Elder Law. Her work involves research, policy analysis and public legal education on legal and policy issues related to aging. Her expertise includes abuse and neglect of older adults, mental capacity, health care consent, discrimination and caregiving policy.

Krista will examine decision making autonomy as a fundamental right protected by BC Laws as well as international human rights conventions. Outside of emergencies, physicians are obligated to get consent prior to providing health care treatment. Many people living with dementia – or other disabilities that impact communication and understanding – have the capacity to make their own decisions, particularly if they have access to support and assistance. In this talk, Krista will discuss health care consent law, including the rights and responsibilities of patients, family member, and health care professionals

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