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INVITED LECTURE

By Ms. Emmanuelle Khoury



Unpacking the Concept of Mental Health Recovery through a Dialogue with Service Users & Service providers

Ms. Emmanuelle Khoury is a Ph.D. candidate at the Université de Montréal École de service social. She has direct social work practice experience in the public health and social services sector. Her mental health practice experience has been primarily with adults although she has also worked with children, youth and their families. Her **transdisciplinary research program** focuses on exploring the challenges, paradoxes and innovations in mental health social work practice. Using a critical social work perspective, Ms. Khoury explores the impacts of mental health policies, organizational contexts, and relationships with service users on the construction of social work practice. Her research addresses the role of social conditions and inequalities when responding to the complexities faced by vulnerable, marginalized and excluded individuals, families and communities.

Ms. Khoury's presentation will focus on **Unpacking the concept of mental health recovery through a dialogue with service users and service providers**. She will present a critical analysis of recent mental health practice orientations and the emerging tensions or paradoxes. Social work researchers are only beginning to explore the concept of mental health recovery as it relates to social work practice and theory. Following an overview of her research program, Ms. Khoury will present her study results. These suggest that both macro level systemic constraints and micro level day-to-day practice routines have a significant role to play in the expectation of outcomes for service users and in the ensuing construction of recovery-oriented interventions. The implications of these findings will be discussed. Throughout the presentation Ms. Khoury will make links with her direct practice experience and will conclude with a brief summary of her future research direction.

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