



Wellness is an enduring CSWB imperative

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During the recent Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police (CACP) Canadian Policing Wellness Check Conference in March, the Journal was represented with distinction in a capstone feature session. Panelists included Matthew Torigian (Senior Contributing Editor), Lauren Jackson (representing our Special Issue sponsor, Deloitte), Dr. Linna Tam-Seto and Dr. Jeff Thompson (Special Wellness Issue Guest Editors), and Dr. Katy Kamkar (Contributing Editor and CACP Research Advisory Committee Member). Together, they delivered a concise summary and rich discussion of the papers featured in our February special issue. In combination with this current issue of the Journal, we are punctuating but not ending our continuing focus on CSWB professionals' wellness that began over a year ago.

In this issue, there are four features that derive directly from that same conference, an event in which several other JCSWB contributors were also represented on the program. Notably, the Reid paper offers a thorough and expertly captured Record of Proceedings that will draw our full international readership into the powerful conversations and insights that took place over two days in Ottawa. Thompson takes us further into his continuing and expanding research built upon the Awe Project. Bauer introduces us to a promising new collaboration between the Journal and the Mental Health Commission of Canada (MHCC), and we look forward to future features aligned with our shared interests in mental health and wellness both inside all CSWB workplaces and in the communities they serve.

Contributing Editor Dr. Vivien Lee deftly leads off this issue with an effective transition piece, connecting our recent focus on mental health to our youth-oriented theme for the current year.

I would like to acknowledge and thank all our contributors and reviewers for their help in shining a bright light on the urgency of attending to the wellness of CSWB employees and for offering us all a renewed body of literature to point policy and practices in the right directions for the future.

Rounding out the current issue are Geisbrecht's meta-analysis on violence intervention programs, and the first two of several papers arising from the LEPH2023 Conference held in Umea, Sweden, in late May. Beginning with Addis and Snowdon and Nadine et al. in this issue, we look forward to welcoming our readers into another global event of great significance through the publication of many of the conference features, likely to span our next two issues of the JCSWB. Our thanks also to the Global Law Enforcement Public Health Association (GLEPHA) for continuing their work with us in this important knowledge-building partnership.

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The author has continuing business interests that include providing advisory services to communities, police services and related human service agencies.

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