## Bridging the Gap: Using Evidence and Emotion to Facilitate the Difficult Conversations

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Abstract Body There will be a series of 6 mini-presentations (each 10 minutes) pertaining to:
How to have Safe Conversations with Polarizing Topics: A Literature Review of the Divisiveness and Fragility in
the Addiction Medicine Community
Diversion in Safer Supply
Pharmacology of Safer Supply
Media's Role in the Conversation
Decriminalization
Role of Recovery Oriented Systems of Care
Key Words
<ul><li> Caring in Crisis</li><li> Policy</li></ul>
Learning Objective # 1
Discuss how current polarized debates occur and the risks associated with the current approaches
Learning Objective # 2
Review a Toolbox for Safe Discussion

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