



PUBLIC EDUCATION LECTURE SERIES

UNDERSTANDING ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY—ECT

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TV and film portrayals of ECT as a method of torture and coercion, most notably in the movie *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*, has had a negative influence on our understanding of the value and importance of ECT procedures in the treatment of mental illness.

Electroconvulsive therapy (ECT) is an effective psychiatric treatment in which seizures are electrically induced in anaesthetized patients in order to achieve therapeutic benefits. ECT is most often recommended for use as a treatment for patients who are severely depressed, suicidal or have bipolar disorder with depression or mania.

Please join us at the:
HOpe Centre Atrium
1337 St. Andrews
North Vancouver, BC

Joining Dr. Vila-Rodriguez are two special guests who will share their personal experiences with ECT treatments and how it changed both their and their families lives.

Wed., May 31, 2017
7:00—9:00 pm

Please join Dr. Fidel Vila-Rodriguez, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Psychiatry, UBC to gain a better understanding of ECT, how it works and its benefits.

604-926-0856

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