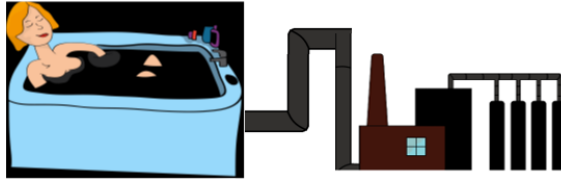




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Preventing Breast Cancer by Decarbonizing our Lives: Three Unique Perspectives



Breast Cancer Action Quebec presents a discussion with simultaneous translation

Wednesday, October 28 at 7 pm by ZOOM

How can the complex links between climate change and illness, including breast cancer - that can be traced back to fossil fuels - be made clear?

The use of fossil fuels for everything - heat, transport, plastics, pesticides and chemicals is deeply embedded in our economy and our lives. We need to decarbonize our lives permanently to protect the planet and human health.

First Nations are on the frontlines of experiencing the health and environmental devastation created by our extraction of fossil fuels. The emissions that cause climate change are also responsible for serious illnesses, including breast cancer. And a large portion of the oil and gas production in Canada is used as base material in products that require toxic chemicals for their transformation and production.

In this webinar, we will illuminate the complex links between climate change, serious illnesses and products that are toxic for humans and the environment. We will ask, “How can we imagine and build a better world?”

We have invited three guests to explore these questions from separate fields of inquiry and engagement.

Fe de Leon is a researcher with the Canadian Environmental Law Association (CELA) and has worked extensively on toxic substances.

Marlene Hale is an Indigenous Wet’suwet’en anti-pipeline activist, living in Montreal.

Jane McArthur is a Ph.D. Candidate in the University of Windsor's Sociology - Social Justice Program, studying a suspected breast cancer cluster among female border agents at the Windsor-Detroit border thought to be associated with high exposures to diesel exhaust.

The panel will be moderated by **Jennifer Beeman**, Director of Breast Cancer Action Quebec

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Breast Cancer Action Quebec has advocated for breast cancer prevention and the elimination of environmental toxins linked to the disease for over 25 years

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