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## Setting the Balance of Care in Northwestern Ontario

This presentation highlights a 2-part study, which examines the extent to which individuals waiting for long-term care (LTC) facility placement in Northwestern Ontario could age at home or in supportive housing safely and cost-effectively. The findings suggest considerable opportunity for individuals to be diverted from LTC if given the appropriate array of health and social care resources. The findings demonstrate that lack of community supports (particularly in the rural and remote areas of NWO) lead to heightened risk of LTC placement.



### Dr. Kerry Kuluski

Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Bridgepoint Health

Friday, September 24, 2010  
12 noon- 1pm (E.D.T.)

Kerry Kuluski recently completed her PhD in Health Services Research in the Department of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation at the University of Toronto. Her research expertise spans home and community care, rural health, health policy, gerontology, and health services. Kerry is now a Postdoctoral Research Fellow at Bridgepoint Health in Toronto, Ontario where she is leading a two-year multi-method research study focused on understanding the characteristics and care requirements of individuals with complex chronic disease and their families. During her fellowship, Kerry will spend six months at Oxford University in the UK with the Health Experiences Research Group, allowing for international comparisons on patient experiences, delivery models, and best practices.

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