

# THE LAC-MÉGANTIC OIL TRAIN TRAGEDY

## LONG TERM IMPACT AND PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE



**FRIDAY, APRIL 20**

Refreshments 4:45 p.m. | Presentation 5:15 p.m.

Wilder Foundation Auditorium  
451 Lexington Pkwy North, St. Paul, MN



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Mélissa Généreux M.D. M.Sc., F.R.C.P.C. was the Chief Public Health Officer for Quebec's Eastern Townships responding to the event. Her ongoing research on the long-term response to the Lac-Mégantic tragedy, as well as its broader public health and community mental health implications, informs global response and resilience to disasters.

## Long-term impact and public health response after the Lac-Mégantic oil train tragedy

*Presented by Dr. Mélissa Généreux*

On July 6, 2013, a train carrying 72 cars of crude oil derailed in Lac-Mégantic, Canada, causing 47 deaths, the destruction of 44 buildings, an evacuation of 2,000 people, and a catastrophic oil spill. **How do we prepare for and prevent these tragedies?**

This event will highlight current issues in public health, resiliency and disaster response planning and address preventive safety measures for high-hazard freight trains.

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*Dr. Généreux will be speaking in partnership with **Citizens Acting for Rail Safety – Twin Cities (CARS-TC)** and **William Toscano, PhD**, University of Minnesota School of Public Health, Division of Environmental Health Sciences.*



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