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**CARING FOR THE CAREGIVER**

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE THIRD SOUTH ASIAN COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FORUM**

**TUESDAY FEBRUARY 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016, 8:00am – 4:00pm**

**SAGAN CONVENTION & BANQUET CENTRE 7180 EDWARDS BLVD., MISSISSAUGA**

JANUARY 25, 2017, CALEDON ON - Once again, leaders and experts within the South Asian Community will come together to share their expertise and experience with service providers from Peel and Halton Regions about providing culturally safe palliative care. “Volunteers and partner organizations have come to me to talk about the South Asian project in action, highly appreciative of the work that has been done in the entire project. They said the Forum is a great platform to gather and share this much required knowledge that increases our capacity and enables us to help so many in need,” says Asma Khan, Community Outreach Coordinator at Heart House Hospice.

Highlights of this year’s South Asian Community Engagement Forum include: a keynote address by Dr. Naveed Mohammad, a presentation on Medical Assistance In Dying (MAID) – One Year Later, by Dr. Jill Oliver and Dr. Paula Chidwick, and several enlightening breakout sessions focused on caring for the caregiver. The Master of Ceremonies will once again be Gurwinder Gill, Regional Director, Health Equity & Inclusion for the Central West CCAC, Headwaters Health Care Centre and William Osler Health System.

The South Asian Community Engagement Forum is funded by the Ontario Trillium Foundation, and is part of an ongoing, collaborative effort to break down barriers, and increase the accessibility of palliative care within the South Asian Community. Together Heart House Hospice, Punjabi Community Health Services and Bethell Hospice have developed and delivered programming to help achieve this goal. This year will be the third and final forum.

The South Asian Community Education Forum is a free event. Register at [Eventbrite.ca](http://Eventbrite.ca).

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