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Kathy Walker, a registered social worker, was a mental health case manager for 15 years. She's a single parent and mother of a son with schizoaffective disorder. Dr. Lisa Doupe's medical practice includes forensic psychotherapy. She specializes in care for family caregivers and their family members whose high-risk behaviors involved them with the justice system. They discuss situations in which family caregivers caring for family members with serious mental illnesses experience challenges in getting their questions answered by physicians and in providing information to them. To overcome the ch

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Lisa Doupe

Dr Lisa Doupe holds an MD and is a Fellow of the American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine. She's a General Practice Psychotherapist. She's taken special training in primary care psychiatry, cognitive behavior therapy, interpersonal psychotherapy and in disability management and health policy. Her medical practice specializes in care and treatment of persons whose high-risk behaviours led to involvement with the justice system. Her practice provides support for their family caregivers. She's been a consultant to a community health clinic and to Correction Services of Canada, and involved with projects such as the Canada Round Table on return to function and return to work,

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Kathy Walker

Kathy Walker has a Masters in Social Work, is a registered social worker, and worked as a mental health case manager for 15 years. She's taught social service students at the Community College level. She's currently a Director and Secretary of the board of a nonprofit agency newly formed to develop supportive housing for people with serious mental illnesses. It was begun by family caregivers who feel isolated within the current mental health system. Recently, she's trained as a group facilitator of the Strengthening Families Together Program for the Schizophrenia Society of Ontario. She'll be facilitating family psycho-educational groups in her community. She's a single parent and mother of

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