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**Tuesday, March 15, 7:00-9:00 pm**

**Central City Brewing**

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### Homebirth Understood: Tales & Truths

**Which birth settings are available in Canada, in BC? Is home birth safe? Why do some physicians and midwives disagree about home birth safety? What birth settings offer the best safety, comfort, and birth experience for women? Why?**

This Cafe will explore current evidence about home birth safety, potential advantages and disadvantages of home birth on individual and population levels, and barriers to and societal perceptions of home birth in Canada. The speakers will invite participants to examine the evidence, the politics, and public discourse surrounding birth place.

#### Speakers:

**Dr. Patricia Janssen**

Associate Professor and Director  
Master of Public Health Program  
School of Population and Public Health  
University of British Columbia

**Dr. Karen Buhler**

Head of Department of  
Family Practice  
B.C. Women's Hospital

**Dr. Brenda Wagner**

Obstetrician and Medical Director  
for Fraser Health and Regional  
Physician Planning Leader,  
Vancouver Coastal Health

#### Moderator:

**Saraswathi Vedam**

Director of Midwifery  
University of British Columbia



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