

THE PRACTICE

— CONNECTION —

Agenda

Setting the Direction

Wednesday, October 14, 2026

3:00 pm		Registration and Networking
3:30 pm		Welcome to The Practice Connection Kristine Tubiera
3:45 pm		Clear Decisions, Stronger Teams, Better Results Kim Grenier Mintenko, MA, CLC
4:45 pm		Reflection Moment What's Your Biggest Practice Bottleneck?
5:00 pm		Stretch Break
5:10 pm		5 Things Every Accounting Firm Owner Should Be Thinking About Michael Anderson, MBA, CISSP, ICD.D
5:45 pm		Experience Break Refresh. Connect. Explore.
6:30 pm		Practice Stories and Roundtables <i>Real experiences. Shared ideas. Practitioner conversation.</i>
8:00 pm		Continue the Conversation (<i>Optional</i>)

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Up to 16 hours of professional development

Expert insights • Practitioner perspectives • Shared learning • Meaningful connection
Program current as of October 2026. Select session details may be refined prior to the event.

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Building a Better Practice

Thursday, October 15, 2026

Optional Morning Walk

Join Howard Wirch for a morning walk before the day begins.

7:30 am meet in the lobby.
Weather permitting.

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| 8:15 am | Breakfast and Networking |
| 9:00 am | Improving Practice Profitability: A Case Study
Jean-Guy Talbot, FCPA, FCCA |
| 10:15 am | Stretch Break |
| 10:30 am | Growth Strategies for Accounting Firms
Mike McLenehan, CPA, CGA |
| 11:30 am | Practice Benchmarking and Practice Health
Jean-Guy Talbot, FCPA, FCCA, and Kristine Tubiera |
| 12:15 pm | Lunch |
| 1:00 pm | What's Really Driving the Decision?
Tamara Kroeker, IEA Cert., B.Ed/Mus. |
| 2:15 pm | Stretch Break |
| 2:30 pm | Building Your Employee Experience & Future of Work Philosophy
Jane Helbrecht, B.Comm (Hons), CPHR |
| 3:30 pm | Reflection Moment
What's one idea you will take back to your practice? |
| 3:45 pm |  Practice Connection CoLab
<i>Connect. Explore. Share.</i>
Featuring a microlearning experience with QuitCh |
| 4:45 pm | Wolters Kluwer's Networking and Refreshments |
| 5:15 pm |  A Day in the Life of an Accountant Using CCH:
Industry Trends and What's Next
Michael Ledgerwood and James Ledder (Virtual), Yash Sharma |
| 7:30 pm | Continue the Conversation (<i>Optional</i>) |

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Moving Forward

Friday, October 16, 2026

Optional Morning Walk

Join Howard Wirch for a morning walk before the day begins.

7:30 am meet in the lobby.
Weather permitting.

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| 8:15 am | Breakfast and Networking |
| 9:00 am | AI Didn't Sign the Engagement Letter. You Did.
<i>Ethics, Professional Skepticism and Accountability in the Age of Artificial Intelligence</i>
Eric Robert, FCPA, FCGA |
| 10:15 am | Networking Break |
| 10:45 am | The AI-Augmented Accounting Firm
Mike McLenehan, CPA, CGA |
| 12:00 pm | Featured Lunch Session with Scotiabank
Banking Beyond Numbers: Helping CPA Firms Grow and Thrive
Ivan Dubovych, B.Sc., CBCA® |
| 1:30 pm | Best Practices Exchange
<i>Practitioners sharing what works.</i>
Howard Wirch, FCPA, FCGA |
| 2:15 pm | Networking Break |
| 2:30 pm | Practice Challenges and Implementation Roundtable
<i>Your questions. Your challenges. Ideas to move forward.</i> |
| 3:15 pm | Reflections, Next Steps & Closing |

Continue the Conversation (Optional)

The formal program concludes at 3:30 pm. The meeting space will remain available until 5:00 pm for attendees who wish to continue conversations with fellow practitioners, speakers, and partners.

Dinner Invitation (Optional)

If you're staying in Winnipeg or travelling the next day, join us for an informal group dinner and continue the conversations. Please let Leslie know at the registration desk if you plan to attend by Thursday at 5:00 pm.