

2021 Virtual Spring Continuing Education Conference for Social Workers

Thursday, Friday & Saturday, May 13, 14 & 15, 2021

THURSDAY, MAY 13, 2021

9:00 - 10:00am: Welcome & Opening Presentation

10:30am - 12:00pm One & One-Half Hour 'A' Sessions

- A 1* **How to Survive & Thrive as a Helper** *Chatman Neely, MSW*
- A 2 **COVID-19 Impact on Mental Health of Students and Others** *Charity Farley, John Siegal, NASW WVU Student Interns*
- A 3 **Communicating Without Arguing** *Rick Wilson, MA, AFSC*
- A 4 **Keep Going: Suicide Prevention & Intervention During a Pandemic** *Barri Faucett, MA, Michelle Toman, Prevent Suicide*
- A 5 **Grief in the Time of COVID** *Debra Beatty, LICSW*

1:00 - 3:00pm Two-Hour 'B' Sessions

(Note: Sessions B 3 & B 4 Continue 3:30-4:30pm)

- B 1 **Women, Hull House & WV** *Kim White, EdD, LICSW, VAMC*
- B 2 **Racism & Social Justice: How to Find Truth & Support Positive Change By Bridging Differences** *Charles Weinberg, LICSW, VAMC & Gregory Clarke Townsend, MD, UVA (VET)(ETH)*
- B 3 (C) **LPC Ethics** *Ravi Isaiah, DMin, Dir. of Chaplaincy, CAMC*
(Note: Continues as C 3, 3:30-4:30pm)
- B 4 (C) **Solution Focused Therapy: Re-Solving Problems Through Exceptions** *Neal Newfield, PhD, MSW*
(Note: Continues as C 4, 3:30-4:30pm)

3:30 - 4:30pm One-Hour 'C' Sessions

- C 1 **Federal/State Health Policy Update** *Jessie Ice, PhD, MSW, & Kat Stoll, JD, WVVAHC*
- C 2 **Foster Care MCO Update** *Tony Richards, MPH, WV DHHR & Kathy F Szafran, MA, LPC, Aetna Better Health of WV*
- C 3 (B) **LPC Ethics** – Continuation of B 3
- C 4 (B) **Solution Focused Therapy** – Continuation of B 4
- C 5 **Social Work Ethics** *Pattie Nishimoto, PhD, MSW (ETH)*

5:30 - 7:30pm Two-Hour 'D' Evening Sessions

- D 1 **Problem Gambling in WV: Treating the Hidden Addiction** *Sheila Moran, MSW, LSW, Jennifer Davis-Walton, MS*
- D 2 **Understanding Military Culture** *George Brawn (VET)*

FRIDAY, MAY 14, 2021

9:00 - 10:00am One-Hour 'E' Sessions

- E 1* **Understanding Stress & Self-Care: Getting Back Some Control** *Jim Harris, EdD, MSW, LICSW, Marshall Univ. (ETH)*
- E 2 **What (on Earth) Happened at the WV Legislature?** *Sean O'Leary, MPA, WV Center on Budget & Policy*
- E 3 **Seeding the Future: Collegiate Addiction Recovery in Southern West Virginia** *Susie Mullins, MA, Marshall Univ.*
- E 4 **Environmental Injustice & Health Disparities: A SW Perspective** *Georgiana Logan, PhD, Marshall University*

10:30am - 12:00pm One & One-Half Hour 'F' Sessions

- F 1 **Harm Reduction 101** *Robbin A. Pollini, PhD, MPH, WVU*
- F 2 **Best Practices for Suicide Risk Screening in Community Health** *Mary LeCloux, PhD, MSW, WVU*
- F 3 **Building Relationships Between Birth & Foster/Kinship Families: Why, How, Who?** *Marissa Sanders, BA*
- F 4 **WV ABLE Program of WV Treasurer** *Roxanne Clay, MA*

FRIDAY, MAY 14, 2021 - Continued

1:00 - 3:00pm Two-Hour 'G' Sessions

(Note: Session G 4 Continues 3:30-4:30pm)

- G 1 **Moral Injury: Exploring Indicators, Care Practices, & Opportunities for Interconnection** *Jason Nieuwsmma, PhD, Duke University (VET)(ETH)*
- G 2 **Connections Matter: Building Resiliency in Children & Families** *Michele Baranaskas, LCSW & Jessica L. Dianellos, MS*
- G 3 **From Chaos to Connection in Clients Struggling with the Effects of Complex Trauma with Dissociative Identity Disorder** *Rachel Dash, MSW, LICSW, Assoc. Prof. Emeritus*
- G 4 (H) **Clinical Supervision Basics for Social Workers & Counselors** *Janie Howser, LICSW, MPA, Jamie Jacobs, PhD, MA, Sandra Corbett, LICSW (Continues as H 4, 3:30-4:30pm)*

3:30 - 4:30pm One-Hour 'H' Sessions

- H 1* **Social Work Ethics & Technology (ETH)** *Robbin Durham, LICSW, Concord University*
- H 2 **Updates from the WV Board of Social Work** *Vickie James, MSW, LCSW, Executive Director, WVBOSW*
- H 3 **Affirming Healthcare for Transgender and Gender Diverse West Virginians** *Megan Gandy, PhD, LCSW, WVU*
- H 4 (G) **Clinical Supervision Basics** – Continuation of G 4
- H 5 **Navigating Resources in WV (Helplines)** *Sheila Moran, MSW, Dir of Comms, First Choice Services*

5:30 - 7:30pm Two-Hour 'J' Evening Sessions

- J 1 **I Promise I Wasn't Ignoring You!** *Insights into Hearing Loss Sarah Shapero, LCSW*
- J 2 **Black Social Workers Forum** *Jennifer Wells, MSW, & Jamecia James & Danielle Woods, MSW Candidates, Marshall University*
- J 3* **Still Taking Casualties** *Moderator: Pete Callahan, LICSW (VET)*

SATURDAY, MAY 15, 2021

9:00 - 10:00am Plenary Session

Bil Lepp *Appalachian Storyteller & "West Virginia's Biggest Liar"*

10:30am - 12:30pm Two Hour 'K' Sessions

- K 1* **End of Life Issues for Veterans** *Christina Davis, LGSW (VET)*
- K 2 **Seeing the Forest for the Trees: Ourselves, Our Clients, & COVID** *Stephanne Thornton, LICSW, Public Defender Svcs*
- K 3 **Generational Differences** *Becky Mathis-Stump, JD*
- K 4* **Adult Children of Emotionally Immature Parents** *Lindsay Gibson, PsyD, Clinical Psychologist, Author*
- K 5 **Essential Tools to Address the Opioid Epidemic in WV** *Garrett Moran, PhD, MPA, The Hon. William Thompson, Judge, 25th Judicial Circuit, & Laura Lander, MSW, LICSW*

1:30 - 3:00pm One & One-Half Hour 'L' Sessions

- L 1 **Understanding Sexual Orientation & Gender Identity: The Basics** *Selina Vickers, MA, LSW, Ado. Health Coord.*
- L 2 **Anxiety Treatment in Light of the COVID-19 Pandemic** *Laura Wilhelm, PhD, Assoc. Prof., WVU BMed Charleston Div.*
- L 3* **My Mother Wasn't Trash: A Manifesto from Appalachia** *Joshua Wilkey, PhD, Brevard College, Brevard, NC.*
- L 4 **Ingredients for Successful Youth: DHHR & Juvenile Defense Attorneys** *Ashley M. Batten, JD, Joshua L. Edwards, Esq., & Teresa McCune, JD, Public Defenders*

3:15 - 3:45pm: Closing Remarks & Farewell