The University of Pittsburgh has set the stage for a compelling national conversation on race, one that will bring together some of the best minds on this important subject. Pitt’s School of Social Work and the school’s Center on Race and Social Problems will host *Race in America: Restructuring Inequality*, a national conference to be held in Pittsburgh on June 3-6, 2010.

“Times of challenge provide the opportunity to create change. As the nation continues its efforts to recover from an economic downturn, there has never been a better time to re-examine and correct racial inequalities in American society. It is our intent to make this the best conference ever on race in America. More importantly, it is our goal to make it the most useful one.”

- - Larry E. Davis, Dean of the School of Social Work

Learn more about this important and exciting national event in Pittsburgh, as well as register online at: [www.race.pitt.edu](http://www.race.pitt.edu)
The following are continuing education providers in the University/School network for whom the School of Social Work regularly co-sponsors social work continuing education for a variety of workshops, conferences, and other training.

**Child Welfare Competency-Based Training Program (CBT)** is a component of the School of Social Work’s Child Welfare for Education and Leadership initiative that provides a range of educational and training programs across Pennsylvania.

www.pacwcbt.pitt.edu

**Western Psychiatric Institute & Clinic (WPIC) Office of Educational and Regional Programming (UPMC)**

www.wpic.pitt.edu/oerp

**PA/Mid-Atlantic AIDS Education and Training Center (School of Public Health)**

www.pamaaetc.org

**Pittsburgh Pastoral Institute**

Pastoral Counseling, Spirituality & More

www.ppi-online.org  Call: 412-661-1239

**Western Pennsylvania Family Center**

Bowen Theory, Family Therapy, and more

www.wpfc.net  Call 412-362-2295

**Mid Atlantic Network for Youth & Family Services (MANY)**

www.manynet.org  Call: 412-366-6562

**IRETA (Institute for Research, Education, Training in Addiction)**

www.ireta.org  Call: 412-391-4449

**Community Care Behavioral Health**

Mental Health, Managed Behavioral Health, and other training for clinical practice and recovery

www.ccbh.com  Call: 412-454-2120

**NASW-PA & NASW Pioneers**

March is Social Work Month

Come Party with NASW-PA Social Work Month Galas

March 11  Radisson Hotel - Valley Forge  King of Prussia, PA

March 19  Radisson Hotel - Green Tree  Pittsburgh, PA

Join Us on March 23, 2010  Legislative Advocacy Day  Harrisburg, PA

7:30 am - 2:00 pm

The Annual Social Work Month Forum and Celebration Luncheon will be held on Friday, March 19, 2010 from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm in conjunction with the NASW-PA’s Social Work Month Pittsburgh Gala (6-9 pm) at the Green Tree Radisson Hotel.

This year’s forum theme is **Social Work’s Response in Economic Crises: Past, Present and Future**. The forum will include a morning NASW Pioneers panel that addresses social work roles leading up to our current economic crisis, and an NASW Southwest division panel on social work in today’s ongoing economic crisis. The celebration lunch will feature NASW-PA state and division leadership and present state division Social Worker of the Year and Pioneers Legacy Awards. NASW and School hospitality suites (3-6 pm) will get folks ready for the evening gala. (details - page 7)
The School of Social Work’s Center on Race and Social Problems offers an annual speakers series to provide an opportunity for faculty, students, and members of the public to engage in race-related discussions on timely topics. Each event in the series is held 12:00–1:30 pm in the School’s Conference Center, 2017 Cathedral of Learning. Lunch is provided, and registration is not required. Please join us at these important lectures for Spring 2010:

Thursday, January 21
Marta Tienda, Professor of Sociology and Public Affairs, Princeton University
“Diversity and its Discontent: Lessons from Higher Education”

Monday, February 15
Vincent Hutchings, Professor of Political Science, University of Michigan
“Wedge Politics: The Structure and Function of Racial Group Cues in American Politics”

Tuesday, March 16
Abby L. Ferber, Associate Professor of Women’s and Ethnic Studies, University of Colorado
“There is more to me than white: Moving from Whiteness Studies to Privilege Studies”

Wednesday, April 7
Jonathan M Hurwitz, Professor of Political Science, University of Pittsburgh
“Justice in America: The Separate Realities of Blacks and Whites”

Keep informed on the research and programs of the Center on Race and Social Problems at: www.crsp.pitt.edu - For Info, call: 412-624-7382
The National Council on Problem Gambling (NCPG) and the Association of Problem Gambling Service Administrators (APGSA) are pleased to present **PROBLEM GAMBLING AWARENESS 2010**, a grassroots public awareness and outreach campaign. It will kick off during **National Problem Gambling Awareness Week** to be held March 7 - 13, 2010. The goal of this campaign is to educate the general public and health care professionals about the warning signs of problem gambling and raise awareness about the help that is available both locally and nationally.

The ongoing mission of the NCPG is to promote awareness of problem gambling and the availability of counseling support services to help minimize the effects of this national problem and to provide a message of hope and help to those in need. Our research finds that 2%-3% of the US population will have a gambling problem in any given year. That’s 6 million to 9 million Americans yet only a small fraction seeks out services, such as treatment and self-help recovery programs.

We invite you to join us by participating in at least one educational activity during the week. The National Problem Gambling Awareness Week website (www.npgaw.org) has a variety of **FREE** tools, suggested activities and all the necessary materials including:

- 2-question diagnostic screening for health providers;
- Fact sheets on internet gambling, youth, seniors, etc.
- Free TV Public Service Announcement (PSA) for the gaming industry;
- Sample proclamations for state, tribal, county and city government;

**HARMFUL IMPACTS OF PROBLEM GAMBLING**

It is important to recognize that most people can gamble without negative consequences. A small percentage, however, of persons who gamble suffer enormous social, economic, and psychological implications. Individuals, families and communities all suffer from problem gambling, and, while it would be impossible to describe all of the repercussions associated with problem gambling, the following related issues remain serious concerns: domestic issues, domestic abuse, crime, and suicide and depression.

The University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work, Gambling Counseling Training Institute has been dedicated to increasing public awareness and providing access to training and education regarding problem and pathological gambling locally for the past 3 years. As we continue to demonstrate our commitment to this issue, please mark your calendars for the upcoming training events:

**Gambling Counseling Training Institute**

**Continuing Education Program this Spring**

**Contact Jody Bechtold: jrb127@pitt.edu or 412-624-6572**

**Gambling and the Law**

Friday, March 26,  9 am - 4 pm

**Influence of Race and Cultural Competence in Problem Gambling Prevention and Treatment**

Friday, April 9,  9 am - 4 pm

**INTERGENERATIONAL PROGRAM SPECIALIST CERTIFICATE**

Generations Together Intergenerational Studies Program in Partnership with the School of Social Work

Generations Together through the University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work is reestablishing its **Intergenerational Program Specialist Certificate**, a 100 hours intensive training program that combines online, with independent conference and supervised portfolio project work to demonstrate competency in developing, implementing and evaluating intergenerational programs. This Intergenerational Specialist Certificate is available on a post-baccalaureate level for helping, education, library, and related professionals who share a desire to advance intergenerational programming.

The three (3) components for this certificate include:

- Introduction to Intergenerational Program online course (30 hours);
- Documented participation and report from an approved national or international conference strongly related to the intergenerational field; (up to 20 hours)
- Supervised Independent Portfolio Project (50 hours) to be submitted for final certificate review.

For more information contact Sally Newman, Generations Together, at newmans@pitt.edu.
There are three approved avenues for social work continuing education in Pennsylvania:

**Pre-Approved Providers:** Six pre-approved providers are noted in Pennsylvania’s enabling legislation for social work licensing, including the Council on Social Work Education - accredited schools of social work, NASW Chapters and their divisions.

**Provider Approval:** CE certificates from these programs must show the PA licensing board approval number.

**Individual Approval:** Any social worker may request an individual continuing education approval for attending an event on your own, e.g., national or state conference. However, you must submit an application (it can be faxed) *at least 24 hours prior to attending* the continuing education event. Forms can be requested from the state board or online (See URL.).

The current PA regulations for social work continuing education are available online, as are the regulations for licensed marriage and family therapist and professional counselors is online at: [www.dos.state.pa.us/social](http://www.dos.state.pa.us/social)

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**CE Online - Registration, Survey & More**

As many of you are aware, the world is going increasingly electronic from news to shopping and just about every form of business transaction. While the School has long offered some online program, we have not yet had a registration and programs management system at the University that offered online registration and payment, but 2010 marks the beginning of new online support.

This past year our University introduced a new online registration process for student course registration. Many of our alumni can remember the long lines in the early morning to make sure you got into Dr. Newhill’s Psychopathology and other popular courses, but those days of long registration lines are over. Now we are developing new continuing education systems to allow for similar online registration and payment that we hope will be successful.

This new online Continuing Education system will go on line with the new Academic Year on July 1, 2010. We are hoping for a good start!

**Join our CE E-mail Information List**

We continue to ask you to provide your e-mail address and get added to our growing Continuing Education electronic mailing list. We are all trying to cut down on paper use and tap into more timely information networks. Through our CE Email list you can keep current with continuing education updates and revisions, timely new opportunities, and other important information. As we build this electronic capacity and our new CE webpage on the School’s website, we hope you will stay Connected.

To *join our CE Email Information List*, you can email, CE Administrative Assistant, Darlene Davis at: drn8@pitt.edu or call: 412-624-6902. Remember, you can always find updated continuing education program information under “Alumni” on the School of Social Work website at: [www.socialwork.pitt.edu](http://www.socialwork.pitt.edu)

Take our online *Continuing Education Survey* [www.surveymonkey.com/s/pittcontinuingeducation](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/pittcontinuingeducation)
ONLINE INTRODUCTION TO INTERGENERATIONAL PROGRAMS

This course is an online, interactive experience based on the 13-year success of Generations Together Intergenerational Training Institute at the University of Pittsburgh. The online course is designed to help you develop the skills needed for success in the intergenerational field. Students read course materials, do online assignments, discuss the content with fellow students and instructors, and follow step-by-step procedures to complete the individual units.

In this abridged summer version of our 12-week course (See page 4) students learn useful, concrete principles that can help you to enhance your own professional development and the work that you do. After you have completed the course, you will have a better understanding of skills needed to develop intergenerational programs and how to apply them. After completing this course, you will be able to:

• Explain the rationale for intergenerational programs as a social intervention model
• Formulate a design/plan for an intergenerational program
• Develop a process to engage community support for intergenerational programming
• Develop the basic skills to implement intergenerational program components
• Recruit, train, and manage participants and staff in intergenerational programming
• Evaluate an intergenerational program

Faculty: Sally Newman, PhD and the Generations Together Training Program Faculty

Dates: 13 weeks - starting this summer
Time: your convenience  Place: your computer
Fee: $350 + text ($40)
CE: 30 hrs (L/CSW, LMFT, LPC, NBCC)
Tuition: $665/credit + part-time student fees & text
Credits: 2 graduate (College of General Studies only)

For course information:
Sally Newman, PhD, Course Coordinator
412-648-7155 or newmans@pitt.edu
Toll Free Number: 1-866-216-1223
For course registration: Contact the CE Office
LSW Exam Prep

TWO EXAM PREP WORKSHOPS THIS SPRING
LSW/LCSW EXAM PREPARATION
Sponsored by NASW-PA

Becoming a Licensed Social Worker or Licensed Clinical Social Worker in Pennsylvania requires a computerized examination at the intermediate level as conducted by the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB). This workshop will review the critical areas and issues of social work practice and clinical practice included in this examination. You will receive the ASWB’s Applicant Handbook with helpful test registration information, as well as a PA-NASW Licensure Prep Manual (from NASW) that will be reviewed during the workshop. In this Exam Preparation Workshop you will:

♦ Review suggestions for study and readings, including review of the Manual.
♦ Review the Social Work Code of Ethics as essential to the exams
♦ Learn helpful test-taking and exam preparation hints, as well as the ASWB procedures
♦ Complete and review a practice exam.

Faculty: Virginia “Ginny” Vayda, LCSW, ACSW
Dates: Saturday, March 27 & Sunday, April 18
Time: 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM
Place: 2017 Cathedral of Learning
Fee*: See NASW-PA website www.nasw-pa.org
CE: None

Please Contact NASW-PA
1-800-272-6279
or online at: www.nasw-pa.org
To Register for the LSW/LCSW Exam Prep Workshop at the University of Pittsburgh
Saturday, March 27th & Sunday, April 18th

SOCIAL WORK MONTH FORUM AND CELEBRATION LUNCH

NASW-PA’s Southwest Division, NASW Pioneers, & Schools of Social Work in Southwestern Pennsylvania

Annual Social Work Month Forum and Celebration Lunch
Wednesday, March 19, 2010
9 am - 3 pm (Includes Luncheon)
Green Tree Radisson- Pittsburgh, PA

March is Social Work Month. Please, join us for the Social Work Month Forum and Recognition Luncheon featuring:

9:00-11:30 am NASW Pioneers Panel
SOCIAL WORKERS RESPOND IN PAST ECONOMIC CRISSES
Response Panel of Educators and Practitioners
11:30 am-1:00 pm NASW-PA AND PIONEERS RECOGNITION AND CELEBRATION LUNCHEON
Join us for the NASW-PA Southwest Division Social Worker of the Year award, Remarks from NASW-PA leadership and the NASW Pioneers Legacy Award and other recognitions and celebrations of Social Work Month – visit exhibits and network

1:00-3:00 pm NASW-PA Southwest Division Panel
SOCIAL WORKERS RESPOND TO TODAY’S ECONOMIC CRISIS: CURRENT AND FUTURE CHALLENGES

3:00–6:00 pm Hospitality Suites
School of Social Work and NASW-PA Southwest Division will host hospitality suites to relax and get ready for the evening NASW-PA Gala

6:00-9:00 pm NASW-PA SOCIAL WORK MONTH GALA

PLUS Schools of Social Work and Vendor Exhibits*

CE: 5 hours (LSW/LCSW, LPC, LMFT)
Fee: $65 ($50 NASW members or Pioneers; $25 students) includes breakfast & lunch (lunch only $25)
*SSW Table or Luncheon Only Table: $200 (8/table)
*Display/Exhibit Table: $100 (includes forum and luncheon for 1 attendee)

For Tables/Exhibits Contact: Nathaniel Morley, SWPA Division Chair: naswpa_swdivision@verizon.net
Join Us in Celebrating March as Social Work Month
SOCIAL WORK ETHICS UPDATE
Licensed Social Workers and Licensed Clinical Social Workers in Pennsylvania are required to complete at least three hours of continuing education on ethics content each license renewal period as part of their 30 hours of continuing education. This workshop is our final opportunity this licensing period to address this requirement. In this workshop you will:

- Use the Social Work Code of Ethics as a guideline, you will review common ethical principles that impact everyday practice
- Learn ethical decision-making frameworks and tools that you can apply in your practice
- Work on cases to help strengthen your understanding of issues, guidelines and tools for effective and ethical social work practice.

Faculty: Virginia “Ginny” Vayda, LCSW, ACSW
Dates: Saturday, May 8
Time: 9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon
Place: 2017 Cathedral of Learning
Fee: $65
CE: 3 hours (L/CSW, LPC, LMFT) for Ethics

COMMUNITY BUILDING & SOCIAL ADMINISTRATION

(THIS WINTER COHORT PROGRAM IS NOW FULL)
ON BECOMING A NONPROFIT CEO:
Next Generation Nonprofit Leadership
In this course students will participate in a learning opportunity for preparing to become CEO’s of nonprofit organizations. Beginning with a general session on the nonprofit leadership environment, the course will build through four additional sessions that examine aspects of a four frame model of organizations, described in Reframing Organizations, by Lee G. Bolman and Terrence E. Deal. Students will gain an understanding of important nonprofit leadership issues as well as the capacity to recognize and resolve nonprofit management challenges.

Upon successful completion of this institute, students will understand how to:

- Identify nonprofit leadership opportunities and skills;
- Develop vision for the preferred organizational future;
- Achieve clarity in organizational goal setting;
- Balance and integrate organizational goals with the aspirations of staff;
- Build alliances and networks to advance organizational goals

The 5 Sessions will include Core Leadership Frames:
1-14 Leadership & Leaders in the Nonprofit Sector
   Guest Presenters: Leslie Bonner & Diana Bucco
   2-4 Structural Frame Guest: Peggy Harris
   2-11 Symbolic (Vision) Frame Guest: Al Condeluci,
   2-18 Human Resource Frame Guest: Fran Sheedy Bost
   3-4 Political Frame Guests: Jeff Burks Mascara & David Coplan

Faculty: Donald Goughler, MSW and Guest Presenters
Dates: January 14, February 4, 11 & 18, and March 4
Time: 9:00 AM - 12:00 pm
Place: 2017 Cathedral of Learning
Fee: $225 (GPNP Scholarship via The Forbes Funds)
CE: 15 hrs (LSW, LPC, LMFT)

THE NEXT COHORT FOR EMERGING CEO’S WILL BEGIN IN FALL 2010 - CONTACT THE CE OFFICE
CE PROGRAMS & EVENTS
(Co-Sponsored by Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic)

RUBASH LECTURE

ANNUAL RUBASH LECTURE IN LAW AND SOCIAL WORK

SECOND CHANCES: THE SECOND CHANCE ACT & RE-ENTRY BARRIERS
With Distinguished Lecturer:
ROBERTA MEYERS-PEEPLES, H.I.R.E.

The Annual Rubash Lecture features a distinguished alumni speaker relevant to both the Schools of Law and Social Work. This year’s Rubash Lecturer will share her work with H.I.R.E., a project of the Legal Action Center in New York, that maintains a national network to promote the hiring of formerly incarcerated persons to aid in their re-entry to community, employment and society. The Legal Action Center has also recently published a policy report focused on national efforts to implement the Second Chance Act of 2008 and a state-by-state assessment of barriers to re-entry. The Rubash program will involve a lecture followed by a regional response panel on the topic of The Second Chance Act and the barriers to and efforts for re-entry. The program will conclude with audience question and discussion with both the speaker and panel members. All are invited to a reception following the program.

Presenter: Roberta Meyers-Peeples and a Regional Response Panel from Law and Social Work

Dates: April 22, 2010
Time: 12:00 - 2:00 PM (Reception to follow)
Place: Teplitz Moot Courtroom, Law School Building
University of Pittsburgh campus
Fee: $10 (CE for social work) $25/hr. for Legal CE
CE: 2 hrs (L/CSW, LPC, LMFT, and CLE)

ABOUT OUR RUBASH LECTURER

Roberta Meyers-Peeples is Director of the Legal Action Center’s National H.I.R.E. (Helping Individuals with criminal records Reenter through Employment) Network, a project aimed at increasing the number and quality of job opportunities available to people with criminal records by changing public policies, employment practices and public opinion. Prior to assuming this position, Ms. Meyers-Peeples served as Co-Director of HIRE for two years, Co-Deputy Director for one year and as the Field Educator and Organizer for two years while dramatically expanding the outreach of the Network.

CLINICAL PRACTICE

The noted programs are co-sponsored by Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic (WPIC) and the University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work. WPIC is approved by the American Psychological Association to offer continuing education for Psychologists. WPIC maintains responsibility for these programs. Each of the noted programs is being offered for the designated number of continuing education credits.

ADOLESCENT DEPRESSION & SUICIDE: PREVENTION AND INTERVENTION

Adolescent and youth care workers must appreciate the prevalence of depression and emotional issues affecting the youth in their charge, as well as the potential for suicide among this vulnerable population. This workshop will help you to:

♦ Better understand the nature and incidence of depression and suicide among adolescents
♦ Recognize and address your own issues regarding suicide in adolescent care settings
♦ Assess suicide risk, address crisis intervention, and help with coping in the wake of suicide
♦ Address agencies’ policies and procedures, as well as reporting and documenting potential for suicide and in response to a suicide
♦ Develop a personal plan of action for working more effectively in these critical areas.

Faculty: Sr. Madeleine Rybicki, CSFN, MS

Dates: April 16, 2010
Time: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Place: 2017 Cathedral of Learning
Fee: $115
CE: 6 hrs (L/CSW, LPC, LMFT, Psych, NBCC)
UNDERSTANDING AND TREATING EATING DISORDERS

This training aims to heighten awareness of both the nature and prevalence of eating disorders (ED), as well as increase awareness of clinician’s knowledge of eating disorders and the therapeutic skills to assess individuals with ED. You will learn basic clinical techniques in working with individuals with ED and gain resources for sharing with clients. In this training participants will learn:

- about disordered eating, including facts, research and recognition
- what is an eating disorder using a continuum to identify particular behaviors, thoughts and emotions
- to implement a formal assessment of ED
- various therapeutic stances to take in working with individuals with an Eating Disorder.

Faculty: Gina M. Fitzmartin, M.Ed. CAC, LPC
Date: April 23, 2010
Time: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Place: 2017 Cathedral of Learning
Fee: $115
CE: 6 hours (L/CSW, LPC, LMFT, Psych, NBCC)

CHILDREN AND GRIEF

This workshop is designed to enable social workers and other helping professional to further their understanding of the grief process, directly as it applies to children. Using both Piaget's and Erikson's models of development, participants will be more effective in working with grieving children and their parents. Common myths, misconceptions and mistakes will also be identified to help "helpers" avoid pitfalls typically made in these difficult situations. After completing this course participants will be better able to:

- understand grief as a process,
- differentiate the nuances between "adult" grievers and "child" grievers,
- facilitate helping strategies to children who are grieving,
- educate survivor parents/caregivers on methods to help their own children

Faculty: Amy DeGurian, LCSW
Date: May 14, 2010
Time: 9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon
Place: 2017 Cathedral of Learning
Fee: $65
CE: 3 hours (L/CSW, LPC, LMFT, Psych, NBCC)

FAMILY CONSTELLATION/SYSTEMS WORK OF BERT HELLINGER

Bert Hellinger has revolutionized the heart and soul of Family Systems Group Therapy. His phenomenological approach to healing uses Family Constellations to expose the hidden, and often destructive dynamics in our family systems. Hellinger’s approach to Family Therapy is practiced in more than 25 countries around the world. For information visit the Hellinger Institute of Western PA at: www.hellingerpa.com

Through this experiential workshop you will:

- Understand Hellinger’s phenomenological approach to Family Systems Group Therapy, its principles and theoretical understandings
- Identify theoretical differences between Hellinger’s Work and other models of Group/Family Systems Therapy
- Experience Family Constellation Work, either as clients, participants or observers

- Appreciate ways that Hellinger’s Family Systems Therapy can be implemented in clinical practices with either groups, couples or individuals.

Faculty: Mark Wolynn and Kimberly June, LCSW
Date: May 7
Time: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Place: 2017 Cathedral of Learning
Fee: $115
CE: 6 hrs (L/CSW. LPC, LMFT, Psych, NBCC)
CE PROGRAMS & EVENTS
(With Co-Sponsored with Western Psychiatric Institute, Law School and others)

ADVANCED CLINICAL

THE GAMBLING COUNSELING TRAINING PROGRAM PRESENTS
TWO ADVANCED PRACTICE INSTITUTES

GAMBLING & THE LAW
This institute will examine the relationship between gambling, the law and social work practice. It will discuss counseling as a profession and the ethics of counseling. It will examine professional responsibility and malpractice issues. The presentation will detail the requirements imposed by law for confidentiality and HIPPA compliance. We will explore the nature of negligence and offer protective steps that can be taken to prevent malpractice. The lecture will discuss the lawyer/counselor relationship and look at aggravating and mitigating factors that may influence sentencing. It will discuss in detail the writing up of an assessment for a court.

This institute will also examine some of the developing case law on gambling. It will detail Pennsylvania self-exclusion policies and procedures. It will examine the New York experience with Gambling Court. The presenter will also touch upon relevant issues among gambling clients, including high rates of suicide and high rates of domestic violence and the obligations of the counselors. Finally the discussion will center on interesting cases and emerging issues in gambling. Does or should a duty of care exist for gambling facility operators? Is it more effective to ban or regulate internet gambling? Is poker more a game of skill or luck and does it matter? Through this institute you will:

- Become familiar with the relationship between gambling and law
- Gain knowledge of your obligations and responsibilities under federal rules and laws such as confidentiality and HIPPA
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- Appreciate best practices as to prevention of suicide and domestic violence
- Raise your consciousness of emerging issues in the gambling/law relationship, including diversionary options and other developing issues in the field.

Faculty: Jeffrey Beck, LPC, CCGC, JD, ABD, CART, MCTC
Date: March 26, 2010

INFLUENCE OF RACE & CULTURAL DIVERSITY COMPETENCIES IN PROBLEM GAMBLING PREVENTION & TREATMENT

An understanding about the influence of race and culture on problem gambling is a current focus in prevention and treatment. Practitioners are increasingly working with consumers from varying racial, ethnic, and cultural backgrounds/communities and often struggle with how to provide culturally appropriate services. What role might race contribute to some communities’ experiences with problem gambling? How do ethnicity and other cultural influences contribute to a person’s gambling and recovery? How likely will racially, ethnically, and culturally diverse consumers engage in mental health prevention and treatment? In what ways do my own (practitioner) racial identity, ethnicity and other cultural identity influence my ability to engage with racially and culturally diverse clients?

Participants will learn updates and advances in problem gambling prevention and treatment which integrates race, ethnicity, and other cultural identity influences. Through this institute participants will:

- learn an evidence-based cultural competency assessment and how to assess their own competencies.
- understand the role and influence of race on consumers and learn how to integrate race into problem gambling prevention and treatment.
- learn specific interventions that attend to race, ethnicity, and culture.
- identify continued learning goals to better integrate race, ethnicity and culture into problem gambling prevention and treatment.

Faculty: Deborah G. Haskins, PhD
Date: April 9, 2010

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Date: March 26, 2010
Jody Bechtold, LCSW, NCGC-2, is a Field Education Coordinator and instructor at the School of Social Work who also maintains a private practice that includes a focus on gambling addiction treatment. She is active in speaking and consulting on gambling addiction treatment and resources in Pennsylvania, and she is leading the efforts to develop the School’s new Gambling Counseling training in cooperation with the National Gambling Counseling Certification Board.

Jeffrey Beck, LPC, CCGC, JD, ABD, CART, MCTC is Managerial Assistant for the Council of Compulsive Gambling of New Jersey, Inc. He is a Licensed Professional Counselor and a Certified Compulsive Gambling Counselor. He was an attorney for 18 years before returning to school to get a Masters in Addiction Counseling and completing all course work for a doctoral degree in social work. He has worked clinically with alcoholics, drug addicts and gamblers. Jeff is Vice-President of the Association of Professionals Treating Problem Gambling. Jeff is the New Jersey Affiliate representative to the National Council on Problem Gambling, Inc. and serves on the Board of Directors for that organization. He is Chairman of the National Problem Gambling Awareness Week Committee. He serves on the Board of Essex Prevention Resources and Paterson Recovery Center at Eva’s Village. Jeff is President of the American Compulsive Gambling Counselor Certification Board.

Amy DeGurian, LCSW, is an alumna of the University of Pittsburgh’s School of Social Work where she also received a Certification in Aging and Geriatrics. She has worked extensively in long-term care and her clinical experience includes work in hospice, home care, and long-term acute care. In addition, she has been an adjunct faculty member at the Pittsburgh Institute of Mortuary Science and at the Downtown campus of C.C.A.C. Mrs. DeGurian has been teaching in continuing education at the University of Pittsburgh since 1998 and has spoken on such topics as anxiety, depression, dementia, death, grief and gender differences.

Gina Fitzmartin, LPC, CAC, has worked as a psychotherapist for over 26 years and maintains a private practice in the Squirrel Hill area. Fitzmartin is a certified Gestalt therapist - Gestalt Institute of New England - and completed the post-graduate Physical Process and Advanced Physical programs - Cleveland Gestalt Institute - as well as an advanced supervision group. Gina specializes in eating disorders, addictions and abuse issues, and she works with individuals, couples, groups, including adults, pre-adolescents and adolescents. Gina supervises professionals in this field and provides professional trainings in her specialties.

Don Goughler, MSW, has been the President and CEO of Family Service of Western Pennsylvania for the past 9 years. Prior to that he was Executive Vice President and CEO of Southwestern Pennsylvania Human services, Inc. for 11 years and previously both Deputy Director and Executive Director of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Area Agency on Aging and Executive Director of Mon Valley United Health Services. For 13 years, Goughler has been an adjunct faculty for the School where he teaches graduate courses in management. He is Chairperson of the nonprofit, Three Rivers Connect, and serves on the board of trustees of the national nonprofit, Ways to Work, Inc.

Deborah G. Haskins, Ph.D. is a Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor (MD) and Nationally Certified Gambling Counselor-II and Board Approved Clinical Consultant. She is a full time Psychology Educator and Administrator at Loyola University Maryland, serves on the Board of Professional Counselor and Therapists in Maryland and the International Certification Board of Problem Gambling Counselors. She is the owner of MOSAIC Consulting and Counseling Services, LLC with a focus on training mental health professionals to integrate diversity and multiculturalism in treatment.

Kimberly June, LCSW, BCD, CMTPT, CST. Kimberly is a Medical Hypnotherapist and Cranio-Sacral Therapist in private practice in Pittsburgh. Kimberly specializes in the holistic treatment of depression, anxiety, chronic pain and trauma, and has a clinical interest in the role of spirituality and the use of energy modalities in healing the body, mind and spirit.

Sally Newman, PhD, is Professor Emerita and Director of the Generations Together Training Institute at the University of Pittsburgh. Founder of Generations Together and a leading educator and scholar on intergenerational programs, she has written and edited extensively in this field and serves as editor for the Journal of Intergenerational Programs.

Sr. Madeleine Rybicki, CSFN, MS, is a training consultant with Holy Family Institute who presented regionally, nationally, and internationally on children and youth care. She has also been an adjunct faculty member for the School of Social Work and the University’s Child Development and Child Care Program, of which she is an alumna and a recent School of Education distinguished alumna. Sr. Madeleine has served as coordinator of the Education and Training Committee of the National Organization of Child Care Workers and as president of the Academy of Child & Youth Care Professionals.

Ginny Vayda, LCSW ACSW, CMC, is Victim Advocate Supervisor for MHN Government Services-HealthNet, Inc., working with clinical services to active military members and their families across the country. She is also an adjunct faculty member at several Schools of Social Work. She has more than twenty years experience in medical social work, including: designing and implementing social work case management programs in acute, community, home health, outpatient and primary care settings. She is the co-author of "Social Work Best Practice Clinical Case Management Standards in Health Care" of the National Social Workers in Health Care.

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**CERTIFICATIONS**

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*Mark Wolynn* is a Board-Certified Regression Therapist, a Medical Hypnotherapist, a Family Constellation Therapist and a Meditation Instructor who trains and supervises psychotherapists in the United States in regression therapy. Founder and Director of the Bert Hellinger Institute of Western PA. Wolynn specializes in treating depression, anxiety, obsessive thoughts, fears, pain, and medical conditions unresponsive to conventional treatment.

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