Professional Life on the Edge Collaboration: Your Challenges and Opportunities

Friday and Saturday, November 7-8, 2014

Downtown Holiday Inn, Helena • 13.5 CEs for both days

The Montana Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW MT), in collaboration with the Montana Licensed Professional Counselors Association and the Montana Marriage and Family Therapist Association invites you to a 2-day conference to hear the latest from national and our Montana experts on:

- Affordable Care Act and the mental health parity requirements
- Montana Medicaid expansion
- Integration of primary and behavioral health innovations in Montana and the nation
- Critical and timely practitioner requirements from national experts
- Incredibly helpful presentations from Montana practitioners
- Risk management workshop sponsored by NASW Assurance Services for all licensed behavioral healthcare practitioners

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Registration Fees:
BY MAIL: $225 NASW, MLCPCA, MMFTA members • $250 non-members
Or register ONLINE at http://naswmt.org/ ($5 processing fee applies)
NASW Montana has a block of rooms at the Downtown Holiday Inn. Call 406 443-2209 to reserve your room at the conference rate of $107/night.

Register Online at http://naswmt.org

Registration Form

Professional Life on the Edge Collaboration Conference
November 7-8, 2014

Please use a separate form for each person’s registration.

Name ________________________________

Address ____________________________________________

City ___________________ State _______ Zip ______________

Phone (w) ___________________ Phone (h) ________________

E-mail ________________________________

Discounted registration fees for NASW, MLCPCA, and MLMFTA members

NASW Member $225
MLCPCA Member $225
MMFTA Member $225
Non-Member $250
Student / Retired $130

LCSW Test Prep Course
Saturday, Nov. 8

6 CEs. Course limited to 30 people. Must have 8 participants by Friday, Oct 31, 2014, or course will be cancelled.

LCSW Member $175
Non-Member $230

Attend Friday Conference and Saturday Test Prep—Save $$$

LCSW Member $260
Non-Member $325

Total enclosed $__________________

Note: Registration is not complete until payment has been received.
Cancellation Policy: Full refund (less $30 processing fee) if cancelled 48 hours prior to the workshop. No refund after this date.
Professional Life on the Edge Collaboration
Your challenges, opportunities, and questions

This conference will answer the following critical practice questions:

- What is mental health parity? What are the requirements? How can you participate as a provider in more insurance plans?
- Is Montana prepared to expand its Medicaid program?
- What are Montana’s most pressing mental health needs?
- What are your risks as a provider and how can you manage them?
- Is your clinical documentation up to “snuff?” Will you pass an audit?
- Will Patient Centered Medical Homes change how behavioral health care is delivered in Montana?

Montana’s practitioners will help in answering the following questions:

- How will therapy dogs enhance your clinical practice?
- How are expressive arts effective in working with psychiatric dementia patients?
- “So, you want to go into private practice?” Why is it effective and with whom?
- Why is Parent-Child Interaction Therapy (PCI/T) considered to be an effective evidence-based practice?
- What do I need to know in working with gay men in Montana?

Friday night get together! DON’T FEEL ALONE!
- Share time with your fellow professionals in a relaxed atmosphere after Friday’s conference sessions.
- Win cool prizes! Snacks and munchies provided.

Conference Schedule (at a glance)

**Friday, November 7**

8:30-9:00 AM  PLENARY SESSION

**Keynote:** Montana Affordable Care Act, Mental Health Parity Requirements and Medicaid Expansion

Monica Lindgren, Montana Securities and Insurance Commissioner

9:00-9:30 AM  Panel: ACA Behavioral Health Care Implementation Challenges—Mental Health Parity

A panel of Montana health insurance companies discuss the Affordable Care Act, mental health parity requirements, and provider access. Moderated by Dan Aune, LCASW, Executive Director, MT Mental Health America Chapter

9:30-10:30 AM  Panel: ACA Behavioral Health Care Implementation Challenges—Mental Health Parity

A panel of Montana mental health care providers discuss the Affordable Care Act, mental health parity requirements, provider access, and the impact of the Affordable Care Act on Montana. Moderated by Dan Aune, LCASW, Executive Director, MT Mental Health America Chapter

10:30-10:45 AM  Break

10:45 AM-12:00 PM  BREAKOUT SESSIONS

I. Federal Mental Health Parity Law and How It Intersects with the Affordable Care Act

Chuck Ingoglia, VP, Public Policy and Practice Improvement, National Council for Behavioral Health

II. Emotionally Focused Therapy

Pam Ring Perry, LMP, Walla Walla School of Social Work

III. Documenting in Clinical Practice: Will You Pass an Audit?

Mirean Coleman, MSW, LICASW, CT, NASW Senior Practice Associate

IV. “There’s An App for That…”

Barbara Deere, MSW Intern, Residential Treatment Program, Trauma Recovery Unit, VA Hospital Fort Harrison

V. Introduction to Parenting Evaluations

Mary Macks, LCPC

12:00-1:15 PM  Lunch

1:15-3:00 PM  BREAKOUT SESSIONS

I. Codifying: Preparing for the ICD-10 CM in 2015 and Using Psychotherapy Codes Effectively

Mirean Coleman, MSW, LICASW, CT, NASW Senior Practice Associate

II. “So You Want to go into Private Practice?”

A multi-licensed panel of veteran private practice practitioners share their perspectives and suggestions on the challenges and rewards of private practice. Your questions are welcome.

III. Expressive Arts and the Dementia Patient

St. Peter’s Hospital Behavioral Health Unit Staff

IV. Pursuing Environmental Justice: The Libby, Montana Story

Mary Karen Caraway, LCASW and Tanis Hernandez, LCSW, Center for Asbestos Related Diseases

AFTERNOON BREAK

3:00-3:15 PM  BREAKOUT SESSIONS

I. Therapy Dogs: How They Can and Will Enhance Your Clinical Practice

Gala Goodwin, LCSW

II. Risk Management Workshop

Yvonne Chafe, PARAS, LCSW, LCASW, Assistant Professor University of Alaska, Anchorage, former director NASW Assurance Services Board

III. Eating Disorders and DSM V

Malcolm Horn, Ph.D., LCASW, LAC, Director of Learning and Clinical Supervision Rimrock Foundation

IV. Clinical Case Consultation

Mark O’Dell, Ph.D., LCPC, LMFT

5:30 PM  Friday Night Get Together! DON’T FEEL ALONE!

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**Saturday, November 8**

8:30-9:00 AM  PLENARY SESSION

What’s Up With the ACA, Co-ops and Behavioral Health Care

Janice Van Riper, Ph.D. JD, CEO and Executive Director of the National Alliance for State Health Co-ops (NASHCO)

Panel of 4 Montana Legislators: What Are Montana’s Most Pressing Mental Health Needs and How We See Our Legislature Addressing Them

Moderator: John Wilkinson, ACASW, NASW MT Executive Director

Panelists: Senator Dave Wanzenried, Missoula, Senator Roger Webb, Billings, Senator Mary Caferro, Helena, Representative Jenny Eck, Helena

Morning Break

10:30-10:45 AM  BREAKOUT SESSIONS

I. Behavioral Health Leadership in the Affordable Care Act: Implementation Process

Stacy Collins, MSW NASW Senior Practice Associate

II. Physician Quality Reporting System (PQRS): Learn How to Report Measures and Avoid Medicare Penalties

Mirean Coleman, MSW, LICASW, CT, NASW Senior Practice Associate

III. Opioid Addiction and Treatment

Melody Barresi, LCSW

IV. Nutritional Literacy

Mary Meix, LCSW

12:00-1:15 PM  Lunch

1:15-3:00 PM  BREAKOUT SESSIONS

I. Integrating Primary & Behavioral Health Care through Patient Centered Medical Homes

Dr. Patrick Van Wyk, St. Peter’s Hospital Medical Group and Amanda Eby, Montana CSI Project’s Administrator

II. Working with Gay Men in Montana

Brad Nelson, LCSW

III. Equine Assisted Psychotherapy: Understanding this Innovative Modality

Janice Kelly, LCSW

3:00-3:15 PM  BREAK

3:15-5:00 PM  BREAKOUT SESSIONS

I. Parent/Child Interaction Therapy

Susan Anderson, LCSW, Pam Ponich, LCSW

II. Trauma and Stress Healing Therapy

Dana Eisenberg, LCSW

III. Supervision Consultation

Mark O’Dell, Ph.D., LCPC, LMFT, Terry Smith, LCSW, and Bob Bakk, Ph.D., LCPC

**Blimo’s for your Plenary, Panel and Breakout Session presenters will be available at the conference**

**Test Preparation Course for Licensed Clinical Social Work Exam**

Saturday, Nov. 8, 2014 • Downtown Holiday Inn, Helena • 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

NASW Montana is extending a personal invitation to Montana’s LCSW candidates to register for our upcoming LCASW Test Preparation Course scheduled for Saturday, November 8th from 9-4 at the Holiday Inn-Downtown in Helena.

If you are feeling anxious about how to “take” the LCASW Clinical Exam… this course is for you! NASW Montana offers this course to LCSW candidates twice a year. This course is being held in conjunction with the “Professional Life on the Edge Collaboration Conference” also being held at the Holiday Inn-Downtown on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 7-8, 2014.

This will be the last course based on the current exam. In July, the test authors, ASWB (Association of Social Work Boards) will begin introducing questions on DSM V. Check it out yourself on the ASWB web site: [http://www.aswb.org/exam/candidates/about-the-exams/](http://www.aswb.org/exam/candidates/about-the-exams/)

NASW Montana knows you have committed a tremendous amount of time and energy as an “in training” practitioner to prepare yourselves for the Social Work Licensure Exam, the final step toward becoming a “Licensed Clinical Social Worker.”

**About the LCASW Test Preparation Course**

The new LCASW exam was introduced on January 3, 2011, and evaluates knowledge in 4-5 areas of practice, instead of 10-12 areas of practice. The test questions will be structured in the form of “Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities” statements, which describe the discrete knowledge components that may be tested in each part of the examination. You may not take the older version of the test, only the current version.

The overall 2006 pass rate for those taking the Social Work Licensure Exam in Montana was 74%. This course has successfully prepared thousands of social workers for the Clinical Examination developed by the Association of Social Work Boards. The average pass rate after taking this Test Preparation Course for Licensed Clinical Social Work Exam is well over 95%!

This six-hour workshop will provide attendees with test-taking strategies for correctly answering examination questions. A framework for critical analysis of examination questions will be presented and the instructor will use sample questions to illustrate important concepts. Attendees should bring highlighters with them to this workshop. Prep course attendees will receive an exam training manual.

NASW Montana has offered the revised course twice a year since 2011 to over 75 LCASW Candidates that have consistently passed this course 4.7 on a 5 point scale.

**About the Instructor, Peggy Barto, LCASW LMFT**

Peggy Barto, LCASW, LMFT lives in Billings has been instructing MSW-level social workers, providing field instruction on a Master’s level, and supervising social workers and counselors for licensure for over eight years. She has been a practicing clinician for 25 years and enjoys the opportunities she has to mentor upcoming social workers. Teaching the test prep course is a natural progression for her as she seeks professional growth and challenge, as well as varied ways to guide new social workers into successful futures.

**LCASW Test Preparation Course Objectives**

The one-day updated Test Preparation Course will be conducted on Saturday, November 8th. The course is designed to prepare applicants for succeeding on the revised (in January 2011) LCASW exam. It will provide test-taking strategies for correctly answering examination questions.