

Continuing Education Opportunities

Convening at the Intersection of Trauma, Faith and Resilience to Connect, Learn, Heal, and Serve

Thursday, January 30

8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Chicago Teacher's Union Foundation

1901 W. Carroll Avenue, Chicago

Over three years, we have been learning about the intersection of faith, trauma and resilience. Come and celebrate the blossoming and blooming of our movement.

The day will provide the opportunity to network, attend workshops and hear inspiring speakers, including keynote speaker, Dr. Iva Carruthers, a founding trustee and General Secretary of the Samuel DeWitt Proctor Conference, an interdenominational organization within the African American faith tradition focused on social justice issues. Register [here](#).

Webinar: Suicide in Later Life: Who's at Risk and How You Can Help

January 21, noon-1:30 p.m. ET

In the United States, persons aged 65 and older make up 13% of the population but account for 18% of all suicides. Dr. Judith Stillion will examine trends and hallmarks of elderly suicide and suggest approaches for working with seniors experiencing suicidal ideation. She will also discuss supporting family and friends when a suicide occurs. See [details](#).

Adverse Childhood Experiences as a Risk Factor for Complicated Grief

View it Live on Thursday, Feb. 20 and On Demand for one year. Length: 90 minutes.

Expert panelists: Laurie Burke, PhD and Elizabeth Crunk, PhD

Dr. Crunk and Dr. Burke will discuss their research findings and clinical implications of the relation between adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) and complicated grief in bereaved adults and offer some recommendations for intervention. They will also provide ways to incorporate trauma assessment and intervention into bereavement settings.

[View the full program information sheet here.](#) Continuing Education: 1.5 credits available for a variety of professional boards for \$9 per certificate.

The Intersection of Spirituality and Mental Health Practice

March 27-29, 2020

American Islamic College

640 W. Irving Park Road, Chicago

The the 12th Annual Muslim Mental Health Conference by the Michigan State University Department of Psychiatry brings together scholars, faith leaders, healthcare providers and researchers to examine topics related to mental health across the Muslim community. It will include keynote speakers, scholarly research presentations and panel discussions. Note that there will be parallel tracks, one for Islamic Psychology and one for General Muslim Mental Health. [Learn more and register.](#)

Online Health Minister Certificate Program

Wesley Theological Seminary's Heal the Sick Program is offering a 10-week Online Health Minister Certificate program, Jan. 26 - April 4. The course is designed to equip train faith community members, clergy, public health professionals, social workers, chaplains, and others to support whole-person health in many settings. The certificate was developed using the Health Ministries Association's publication "The Health Minister Role: Guidelines and Foundational Curriculum Elements, 2nd Edition." Register by Jan. 8 [here](#). Questions? Contact [Tom Pruski](#) or call (202) 706-6843.

Come Alive! An Eight Session Program for a More Abundant Spiritual and Physical Life

Come Alive! is a new, [evidence-based](#) curriculum for Christian congregations that makes the connection between spiritual and physical well-being. Throughout this topical small group study, you will discover spiritual practices to strengthen your relationship with God, and proven ways to incorporate anti-inflammatory natural whole foods & activities to improve your health. [Find more information here](#), or contact Angela Stephenson at angela@livingabundantlyministries.org or 630-200-2533.

Clinical Pastoral Education: Illinois and Wisconsin

Interested in enhancing your pastoral skills, discerning a vocational change, or meeting seminary, ordination and/or board-certified chaplaincy requirements? Advocate Aurora Health offers Clinical Pastoral Education programs in a range of contexts from inner city medical centers to rural community hospitals. Learn [more](#). Check out opportunities at:

[Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center, Chicago, and Lutheran General Hospital, Park Ridge, IL.](#)

[Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital, Barrington, IL; Advocate Sherman Hospital, Elgin, IL, and Aurora Lakeland Medical Center, Elkhorn, WI.](#)

[Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital, Downers Grove, IL.](#)

[Aurora Health Care Metro, Inc., CPE in Milwaukee and other Advocate Aurora sites.](#)

[Aurora Health Medical Centers in North and Central Wisconsin.](#)