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CSCP NEWS

Certification Webinars Held

The CSCP Certification and Communication Teams hosted two certification webinars in April. Over 50 members attended the webinars where Frank Munoz and John Jeffery presented information about CSCP's certification philosophy, process and requirements for the various levels of credentialing.

Those who could not attend these webinars are reminded that the sessions were recorded and may be accessed by clicking [here](#). Also, information about certification can be found on the [Certification Page of the CSCP website](#) as well as in the Standards Manual which is located in the [CSCP Library](#).

These webinars were the first to be held using CSCP's new video conferencing software. This software allows CSCP to host both large and small interactive webinars and meetings. The software allows break-out meetings, white-board and video presentations as well as the opportunity to record sessions.

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MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE:

**Program Council:
3rd Thursday evening**

CSCPF has several licenses available which Practitioner Communities or Learning Centers may procure. [Contact Mary](#) for more information on video conferencing licenses.

Certification Team News

Thanks Frank! Welcome Rebecca!

Last month Frank Munoz stepped down as leader of the Certification Team. The entire CSCPF Community wishes to extend its heartfelt thanks for the work and vision Frank provided to the Certification Team. Under Frank's leadership the CSCPF certification process took significant steps forward in serving the needs of our Community.



We now welcome Rebecca Williams as the new leader of the Certification Team. Already Rebecca has undertaken a couple of major projects related to specialized certification categories and in the reorganization of our membership directory.

Thanks to both of you for your service.

More CSCPF News

Katie LeCount Affirmed to be New Program Council Convener



At its last meeting, the Program Council affirmed Katie LeCount as the new Convener of the Council. Katie has been a member of CSCPF since the beginning. She works as a chaplain in Northern California and is a member of the Lotus Practitioner Community. Many thanks to Katie for assuming this important leadership role in CSCPF!

Fiduciary Council:
4th Thursday evening

Governance Team:
4th Tuesday evening

Communications Team:
4th Thursday evening



CSCPF welcomes your participation on any of our Functional Teams.

Please contact the team leader of any team and let him/her know you are interested in serving!

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About the Spiritual Care Association (SCA)

Many of you have received information and are asking questions about the newly formed Spiritual Care Association (SCA). SCA is affiliated with HealthCare Chaplaincy Network (HCCN) which has been involved in the spiritual care profession for many years. This new venture of HCCN is proposing some new and interesting opportunities for the spiritual care community.

CSCPF will host a webinar for the CSCPF Community to learn and discuss SCA and how it relates to CSCPF's vision and values. Keep a watch for a meeting announcement which will be sent to you via email.

CSCPF Directory to be Updated

Makris Works along with the Certification Team are beginning a major reconstruction and reorganization of the CSCPF on-line directory.

This is going to be a time consuming process, so we ask patience over the next stretch of time as everyone's information is reformatted and organized. If you are unable to get information you need from the website directory, please call the CSCPF phone line (925.658.5740) and ask for help obtaining the directory info you need. Thanks!

Learning Center Forum

(Ed: All CSCPF accredited Learning Center's are encouraged to submit a short article on their founders, programs and structure to inform and educate members on educational opportunities.)

The Spiritual Living Center for Education and Training (SLCET) by Hobbit Forrest

Rev. Paula Belleggie is the founder and spiritual director of The Spiritual Living Center for Education and Training (SLCET), an Interfaith Learning Center with Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) programs in Denver and Golden, Colorado. Paula is passionate about

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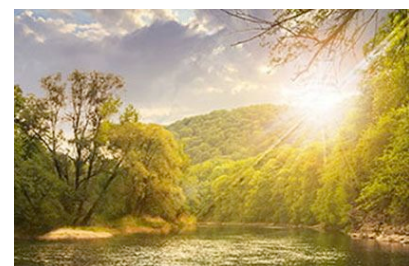


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We value relationship, and participation is a way of establishing a relationship with colleagues and the discipline of spiritual care in general.



educating and mentoring clinical chaplains and pastoral care chaplains to fulfill her vision of expanding access to quality pastoral and spiritual care training to people everywhere, regardless of their faith or beliefs, to be able to compassionately serve and companion those who suffer from loss or illness. SLCET is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization with dual accreditation from CSCPF and the College of Pastoral

Supervision & Psychotherapy (CPSP). Paula began SLCET in 2010, with the encouragement of mentor Foy Richey. Paula was invited by Foy, founder and director of the Rocky Mountain Learning Center, to merge the Rocky Mountain's programs into SLCET before he passed away in 2011.



Rev. Paula and Rev. Nate Gustafson (pix to left) serve as faculty, and Yv Caswell, is a Supervisory Education Fellow at SLCET. In addition to training students and educational fellows, SLCET supervisors build working relationships with community based programs to expand clinical training opportunities to chaplains and interns who enroll in Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) classes. SLCET has an average annual

enrollment of 25 to 30 students who participate in one or more units of CPE. Four units are required to complete the requirements for chaplain board certification. CPE students find a field placement to complete their clinical hours and case studies, subject to SLCET approval, and learn core values and competencies during weekly CPE seminars. SLCET supervisors offer multiple units of CPE each year, including online video courses for distance students. SLCET is also the exclusive preferred CPE training provider for Crossings program chaplains at the Denver Rescue Mission. The Mission serves homeless and/or drug and alcohol addicted men.

SLCET's core structure and values contributes to its success in offering a rich educational curriculum and experience to students, supervisory education fellows, and community based organization affiliates. SLCET has a Board of Directors and a Professional Consulting Committee (PCC) of experts in spiritual care and related fields such as psychology, social work and nursing. Carol Hollyfield, serves as a consultant on trauma and psychological orientation, and Don Bisset and Deanne Drda, serve as consultants on emotional focus therapy. The PCC helps to ensure that SLCET's didactics and educational material meet the educational standards and competencies required for professional chaplaincy and supervisory educational fellows.

Paula teaches the "carefrontation" approach to students for handling conflict, interactive learning, and self-supervision in the classroom and field placements. Carefrontation, coined by renowned psychotherapist, Harris Stratyner, Ph.D., interweaves compassion, empathy and understanding by building mutual trust through engagement and therapeutic alliance. SLCET students also learn the importance of implementing good self-care practices and setting healthy boundaries to avoid compassion fatigue and burnout at work.

We invite you to join as an individual member and then find and become an active member in a local Practitioner Community. Another option is for you to establish your own Practitioner Community with a few other colleagues from your work place or your community.

*More information can be found on our **[JOIN US!](#)** page.*



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*by Terri St Cloud
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Practitioner Community Forum

(Ed: All CSCPFP Practitioner Communities are encouraged to submit short articles on their members, programs and events to inform and educate other members what's happening in their communities.)

Reflections on Becoming a CSCPFP Board Certified Chaplain - an interview by Hobbit Forrest

Meet Nancy Nelson, a member of the Denver Ark Community. In April she was granted dual certification by the Denver Ark CSCPFP Community as a Pastoral Counselor and a Clinical Chaplain. Nancy began to realize her dream of becoming a board-certified chaplain seven years ago when she moved to Colorado from Kansas City, Missouri, where she was originally licensed as a Center for Spiritual Living (CSL) practitioner. She enrolled in Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) at the Rocky Mountain Learning Center under the direction of Floyd Ritchie and finished all four units in two years. Nancy was hired as a chaplain during her second unit of CPE, which allowed her to apply what she was learning directly to patients and their families.

Nancy found the planning process for chaplain board certification to be initially challenging. She acknowledged her need to overcome her internal struggle of wanting to prepare the "perfect" theological paper in comparison to other chaplains' papers. Nancy said a light bulb was lit when she heard "The truth is that we really want to know how the divine shows up in your life." As Nancy absorbed this, she found new direction and motivation to complete the required paperwork. Nancy said, "It felt really good once the paper was finished." She assembled the required documentation and forwarded it to Edee Charlton, the Denver Ark Community's reviewer. Nancy described her CSCPFP review and certification panel process as being positive and nurturing. Nancy was able to put aside her fears by trusting the wisdom of the people on her panel and her growing realization of being of being received and valued in her chaplain community. Nancy said, "I didn't worry about the outcome."

Nancy has words of encouragement for other candidates who aspire to become board certified chaplains:

- Pay attention to implementing good self-care practices to avoid compassion fatigue and burnout, and reach out to other chaplains for support.
- Establish boundaries in order to enjoy time off from work and not use personal time to engage in work activities.
- Trust in the desire to fulfill the calling of chaplaincy and use this to guide the chaplaincy journey.
- Practice being present and leave behind personal agendas during sessions with patients or clients. Let the patient or client guide the process.

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BoneSighArts.com and Terri St Cloud have generously offered her work to support and inspire us! Thank you Terri for gracing our organization with your Spirit. Go to www.BoneSighArts.com and be inspired by this amazing woman!



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