SOCIAL WORK & COUNSELING CONNECTION newsletter



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CLINICAL CONVERSATION



Zelma B. Sciaudone, LMSW Family Services, Inc.

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Growing up in South America, Zelma, both bilingual and bicultural, was inspired to become a clinical social worker after noting the challenges that immigrant populations experience in a new country. Zelma feels that mental health services play a significant part in the acculturation process, and - with the appropriate assistance - individuals and families may experience a smoother transition with greater support.

Working in the social services field for the past 11 years, Zelma has become a vehicle for assisting vulnerable people with managing their emotional pain, problems and difficult situations. In her current position at Family Services, Inc., Zelma provides intensive in-home child stabilization services to children and their guardians after a youth has experienced a behavioral health crisis. Zelma identifies client and family needs, creates client-centered treatment plans, and provides short term therapy. Additionally, as the director of Linkages to Learning, Zelma oversees the daily functioning of seven different school-based teams which provide comprehensive case management and therapy services to 857 individuals per year.

Zelma feels that it is a privilege to become part of a client's inner world and to share their pain. Zelma states, "I can experience the nobility of this path by touching many lives, making a measurable difference, and by witnessing the positive impact that social workers and counselors make on a daily basis in the lives of so many people."

Thank you for sharing your time with us, Zelma!

SPHS SOCIAL WORK LECTURE SERIES - 2018

Lectures will be provided on the Towson campus with videoconferencing to all locations. For more information, please contact Jennifer Tornabene at jtornabene@sheppardpratt.org.

Social Work Ethics: Complaints Procedures and Adapting to the Digital Context (1.5 + 1.5 Category 1 Ethics CEUs)

Presented by: Arthur Rosenbaum, LCSW-C, University of Maryland School of Social Work

Part 1: October 2 from 8:00am - 9:30am Part 2: October 9 from 8:00am - 9:30am

Objectives:

- Learn about NASW's Office of Ethics and Professional Review (OEPR)
- Explain the OEPR procedures regarding the filing and resolving of ethics complaints
- Understand NASW's revised Code of Ethics within the context of the digital age

Understanding Your Responsibilities as a Mandated Reporter (1.5 Category I CEUs)

Presented by: Alison D'Alessandro, MA, Baltimore Child Abuse Center December 4 from 8:00am – 9:30am

Objectives:

- Understand your legal obligations as a mandated reporter
- Define the types of child abuse and neglect
- Recognize signs of child abuse and neglect
- Identify groups of children who may be at a higher risk for abuse or neglect
- Learn how to respond to a child who discloses abuse or neglect
- Understand the process that occurs after a report is made

Human Trafficking in Maryland (1.5 Category I CEUs)

Presented by Amelia V. Rubenstein, LCSW-C, University of Maryland School of Social Work December 11, 8:00am – 9:30am

Objectives:

- Describe the definition of human trafficking and child sex trafficking, including common methods/manifestations
- Identify at least five risk factors which make youth and adults vulnerable to trafficking
- Describe how trafficking impacts victims.
- Recognize potential challenges and barriers in working with this population.

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