

38th Annual

APOSW *Conference*

April 23-25, 2014



*Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Healing
in Pediatric Oncology Social Work*

Pre-Conference

April 21-22, 2014 Workshop ExCEL in Social Work

Philadelphia, PA

Welcome to the APOSW Conference

We invite you to join us for the 38th Annual APOSW Conference, in Philadelphia, also known as "The City of Brotherly Love." Philadelphia is a city rich in American history and APOSW history as well. In 1976-1977 there were 2 meetings of 6 pediatric oncology social workers who met in Philadelphia to discuss common issues and offer support to one another which resulted in the formation of APOSW. The Conference will be held at the Courtyard Marriott in the heart of the city just steps from many restaurants, shops, activities, and historical locations.

The theme this year is: Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Healing in Pediatric Oncology Social Work. The APOSW Board of Directors; Conference Chair, Carolyn McCarley, MSW, LCSW; Educational and Professional Development Chair, Paula McCarthy, ACSW, LCSW; and the Philadelphia Site Committee have incorporated suggestions provided from previous conference evaluations and are working diligently to plan meaningful opportunities for you to learn and network. Opportunities to meet colleagues and dedicated time for consultation and mentorship have been included in the program agenda.

We appreciate the assistance of Abstract Review Committee members: Jenee Areeckal, MSW; Karen Fung, MSW, RSW; Cindy Zehnder, MSW, LCSW; and Janet Ziegler, MSW, LICSW. Thank you to those who submitted abstracts. We continue to be impressed by the quality of the submissions. We appreciate your commitment to growing the body of work in field of pediatric hematology, oncology and blood and marrow transplant social work through breakout and poster presentations.

2014 Conference highlights begin with the very last offering of the pre-conference training, ExCEL in Social Work: Excellence in Cancer Education and Leadership. We hope you will apply for this amazing opportunity to enhance the clinical and leadership skills needed to act as system change agents within your institution.

Conference Highlights:

- Opening Keynote, James Zabora, ScD, MSW, Director of the Life with Cancer Program, Inova Health System will address: What Does Excellence in Oncology Social Work Look Like and How Can We Achieve It
- Lorien Carter, MSW, Assistant Professor, George Warren Brown School of Social Work will conduct the Advanced Practice Session: Developing Skills in the Use of an Evidence Based Practice Process
- Anne Kazak, PhD, ABPP, Co-Director, Nemours Center for Healthcare Delivery Science, Professor in the Department of Pediatrics, Jefferson Medical School, Thomas Jefferson University will review her research on identifying post-traumatic stress symptoms in childhood cancer survivors and their families. Dr. Kazack will present on assessment tools for pediatric traumatic stress including the Psychosocial Assessment Tool (PAT)
- Wendy Hobbie, MSN, CRNP, FAAN, Associate Director, Cancer Survivorship Program, The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia will discuss concepts of cancer survivorship and the importance of the multidisciplinary team in working with survivors of childhood cancers
- Closing ethics session by Chris Feudtner, MD, PhD, MPH, Director of Medical Ethics, The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia will discuss Hope, Emotions, and Parental Sense of Duty when Confronting Serious Pediatric Illness

Please join us in Philadelphia for a time of learning, renewal, meeting new colleagues and seeing old friends.

Anne Kosem, MSW, LCSW
President Elect, APOSW

Welcome to Philadelphia

The City of Brotherly Love!

Our conference will be held in the heart of Center City, at the Philadelphia Downtown Courtyard by Marriott. The hotel is located directly across the street from the iconic City Hall, the largest municipal building in the country. There is a fitness center and swimming pool with a whirlpool available for use, as well as a restaurant/bar and a coffee shop.

Philadelphia is a very walkable city, and there is a lot to do. If history is your passion, you won't want to miss the Liberty Bell, Independence Hall, and Constitution Center, all less than a mile from the conference hotel. If shopping is more your style, the over 200 boutiques, upscale outfitters, spas and salons, and national retailers surrounding Rittenhouse Square will certainly strike your fancy; also less than a mile away. Philadelphia is also known as the "City of Murals." We have over 3,600 murals throughout the city, many of which were painted by the youth of the neighborhoods in which they are situated. Take a stroll around; you can't miss these masterpieces. If the arts are what you crave take a short walk down the Parkway to the Philadelphia Museum of Art and the Barnes Foundation or make your way to Broad Street to see a show or musical at the Academy of Music or The Kimmel Center.

Cheesesteaks are just the beginning of Philly's love affair with food and drink. Nearby you'll find an Italian Market, Chinatown, and some of the country's most heralded restaurants and nightlife in the neighborhood. In addition, the Reading Terminal Market, a true gourmand's paradise, is a mere block and a half away. We also have 4 major craft breweries in the area, and 13 brewpubs. If you venture just outside the city into Bucks County, you'll find gorgeous vineyards and wineries, perfect for relaxing after the conference. You may also want to plan a visit to the Jersey Shore to catch some rays or try your luck at Atlantic City's famed tables, or venture to bucolic Lancaster County to learn more about the Pennsylvania Amish.

Come see for yourself the city that inspired Elton John, Bruce Springsteen, Boyz II Men, and countless others to sing its praises. We know that you will find something to love!

Get Oriented: Thanks to founder William Penn's smart and simple grid street design, the heart of the city is easy to navigate. The Schuylkill and Delaware rivers border Center City's 25 blocks on the west and east. Keep in mind that streets running east and west are named after trees (south of Market St.) while north and south streets are numbered. Check out the Center City map for more information.

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CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES:

- **To create collaborative opportunities** among individuals, groups and organizations addressing the needs of families impacted by childhood cancer.
- **To enhance knowledge and application of** social work theory, evidence-based practice, interventions and techniques to improve psychosocial care of pediatric patients and family members.
- **To educate and promote the use of evidence informed practice in the field** of pediatric oncology social work.
- **To enhance the continuity of care** for children diagnosed with cancer and their families toward compassionate end of life care, healing and future positive growth.
- **To advance professional development through leadership** in the field of pediatric hematology oncology and blood and marrow transplantation.

QUESTIONS

Please direct your conference questions to the following individuals. For more contact information see Board of Directors: www.aposw.org

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On-Line Registration

Secure on-line registration with credit card payment:
<https://secure.proaccess.net/aposw/conf-reg/conf-reg.php> (immediate processing and confirmation).

Continuing Education

Application for CEUs has been made for the conference through the National Association of Social Workers (National Office). To view the list of states that accept these CEUs go to the NASW website at www.socialworkers.org/ce/response.asp. California attendees have the opportunity to earn CEUs issued through the Children's Hospital of Orange County (CA). Attendees from states that do not accept CEUs issued by NASW's national office may wish to explore if their state would accept *CEUs issued from Children's Hospital of Orange County (CHOC)*. Attendees are responsible for meeting the CHOC requirements.

The Houston Tyler Rothschild Scholarship Fund Applications are due: January 31, 2014

The Houston Tyler Rothschild Scholarship Fund is intended to supplement other funding in order to enable some full members to attend the conference who may not be able to attend otherwise. The scholarship is not intended to cover all expenses associated with the conference but may be applied to travel, conference registration, and/or accommodation expenses. Application forms are available at www.aposw.org. If you have questions please contact Past President **Pat Cornwell, LCSW**, Patricia.Cornwell@choa.org

Silent Auction – Share Something Special

A silent auction is held each year to support the *Houston Tyler Rothschild Scholarship Fund*. Auction items are donated by APOSW members and/or local stores, businesses. We welcome contributions by APOSW members – this is a great way to share a bit of yourself and/or your home region. Please be mindful that the winner of your auction item will need to travel home with their winnings. If you have questions and/or items to donate, please contact **Eileen Kenna Satullo, LSW**, 215-590-1129, Kenna@email.chop.edu



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TRAVEL INFORMATION

AIR TRANSPORTATION

Located seven miles from Center City, Philadelphia International Airport is served by 30 airlines, including all major domestic carriers, which provide non-stop service to more than 100 destinations in the United States, Canada, Mexico, Europe and the Caribbean. The SEPTA Airport R-1 regional rail line connects the Airport with Center City.

Once you land and collect your baggage, the easiest and least expensive way to get to the hotel is by taking the SEPTA light rail to the Suburban Station. The platforms can be accessed from the pedestrian walkways between the terminals and the baggage claims at Terminals A-East, B, C, D and E (Terminal F passengers board/exit at Terminal E). The train departs the airport every 30 minutes between 5:09AM and 12:09 AM. Once you exit the train at Suburban Station, follow the signs to the 16th Street exit. Turn right out of the exit (notice the iconic LOVE statue right in front of you!) and turn left on JFK Boulevard. After you pass City Hall on your right, the Philadelphia Downtown Courtyard will be directly in front of you. Train fare purchased onboard is \$8. Travel Time between the Airport and Center City is approximately 25 minutes

For more information or to plan your trip, visit www.septa.org.

GROUND TRANSPORTATION

Sedan and limousine services can be accessed at Zone 6 and Shared ride van service can be accessed at Zone 7. For information regarding transportation please visit the Ground Transportation Information desk located in each baggage claim area. The Ground Transportation Information representative can assist you by providing a list of transportation providers that are authorized to travel to your destination. Please understand that the representatives cannot recommend specific services; however, they are there to provide you with transportation options. You should have your luggage prior to making reservations.

Rental Car Shuttle Zone 2
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CAR RENTALS

Information phones are available at all baggage claim areas for each of the on-airport car rental agencies. Please be advised that parking at the hotel is \$40 per night, and only valet parking is available at the Philadelphia Downtown Courtyard. If you would like to rent a car to explore outside the city after the conference, there is a Hertz outlet just a few minutes away from the hotel at 31 South 19th Street (215) 492 2960.

BY TRAIN

Philadelphia's historic 30th Street Station is the 3rd busiest Amtrak train station in the United States. Conveniently located in the Northeast United States, Philadelphia is easily accessible through Amtrak trains from both the Midwest and along the Northeast Corridor. While it takes only 1 hour and 20 minutes to reach Philadelphia from New York City and just 1 hour and 45 minutes from Washington, D.C., Amtrak trains also arrive at Philadelphia from Boston, Chicago, Charlotte, New Orleans, and more.

TIME ZONE

Eastern Daylight Time (EDT)

CLIMATE and ATTIRE

Conference attire is business casual. We suggest that you bring layers, as some of the rooms may be chilly. Philadelphia weather is often hard to predict, but the average high in April is 62 degrees F, with a low of 43. There are a lot of opportunities to walk in this city, so be sure to bring comfortable shoes.

INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPANTS

Many banks are located near the hotel and can assist with currency exchange. Please contact the hotel for more information.



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PhiladelphiaDowntownCourtyard.com

Online Reservations:

<https://resweb.passkey.com/go/peds>

Phone reservations:

1 (877) 212-5752, please reference Association of Pediatric Oncology Social Workers Conference and the code PEDS for the special conference rates.

Conference Hotel Rate:

A block of rooms have been reserved for April 22, 2014 - April 25, 2014. These special room rates will be available April 19, 2014 through April 28, 2014 (3 days before and 3 days after the reserved block of rooms).

2 Double Beds rates from \$ 172.00 USD/nightly

1 King Bed from \$ 172.00 USD/nightly

Additional Room Tax:

The occupancy tax is 15.2%

Cut-off date for block of rooms: April 1, 2014 or until the group block is sold-out, whichever comes first.

Check-in time: 3:00 PM

Check-out time: Noon

HANDICAP ACCESSIBILITY

Please notify Philadelphia Downtown Courtyard at the time your reservation is made if a handicap accessible room is needed.

PARKING

Valet parking fee: \$40 USD daily

Off-site parking fee: \$12 USD hourly, \$35 USD daily

No oversized vehicles/ Valet parking \$40 USD plus 20 percent tax for overnight parking

BUSINESS CENTER

The Courtyard Marriott has a full business center, including services such as copy/fax, messenger, internet and printing, and shipping.

PACKAGE SHIPMENT INFORMATION

Packages should arrive no earlier than April 20, 2014

Please add the following information to the package:

Name of the person the package is for
Philadelphia Downtown Courtyard
21 N. Juniper St.
Philadelphia PA 19107
Hold for CHOP/APOSW Meeting



Reading Terminal- Philadelphia Convention and Visitors Bureau

TUESDAY, April 22, 2014

7:30 PM – 8:30 PM Early Registration and Meet and Greet Gathering

The gathering, hosted by the APOSW Board of Directors and the Philadelphia Site Committee, is an opportunity for conference attendees to network and connect. If you are coming to the conference solo, you may appreciate the opportunity to meet peers with whom you can connect during the conference and in the months following the conference. During registration, retrieve your conference bag and identification badge (complete with breakout selections), then come and join us at the Meet and Greet!



Liberty Bell- Photographer Anthony Sinagoga



Day 1 – WEDNESDAY, April 23, 2014

7:00 AM – 8:00 AM REGISTRATION

7:00 AM – 8:00 AM BREAKFAST

**8:15 AM – 8:30 AM
OPENING REMARKS**

Stacy Stickney Ferguson, MSW, LICSW
2012-2014 APOSW President
National Marrow Donor Program® /
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Minneapolis MN

**8:30 AM – 10:00 AM – KEYNOTE
1.5 CEUs**

**What Does Excellence in Oncology Social Work Look
Like and How Can We Achieve It?**

James Zabora, ScD, MSW
Director, Life with Cancer
Inova Health System
Fairfax VA

This presentation seeks to encourage oncology social workers to pursue excellence in the provision of care to cancer patients and their families. Excellence is related to vision, mission, leadership, and levels of effectiveness. Excellence can only be achieved if programs and services are based on theory, principles of evidence-based practice, and effective leadership.

10:00 AM – 10:15 AM BREAK

For your convenience, beverages and snacks are available for purchase at the Annex Grille on the Lobby level.

SEMINARS

Intro Seminar:

10:15 AM - 1:15 PM 3 CEUs

**An Introduction to Pediatric Hematology Oncology
Social Work (lunch included)**

Anne Kosem, MSW, LCSW
Duke University Medical Center
Durham NC

Alistair Robertson, MSW
Children's Hospital of Central California
Madera CA

This session is designed for social workers new to the field of pediatric oncology. Evidence-informed practice topics reviewed will include: assessments; healthy professional boundaries; self-care; the role of social work within an interdisciplinary team; relapse related issues; palliative care/end of life, as well as topics raised by participants in the session. Participants will have opportunities to network, share their personal experiences and engage in small group discussions.



Art Museum

Day 1 – WEDNESDAY, April 23, 2014

Advance Practice Seminars:

10:15 AM - 12:15 PM 2 CEUs

2A: Developing Skills in the Use of an Evidence Based Practice Process

Lorien Carter, MSW

George Warren Brown School of Social Work
Washington University in St. Louis
St. Louis Mo

This training utilizes interactive activities to provide participants with skills in a practical Evidence Based Practice (EBP) process that integrates the best available research evidence with professional judgment, the characteristics of the clients and the social context in which practice decisions are made.

Participants will be provided with the opportunity to discuss the ethical implications of the EBP decision making process, such as how to integrate the evidence in such a way that maximizes social work values of empowerment, self-determination, cultural sensitivity and informed consent.

10:15 AM - 12:15 PM 2 CEUs

Seminar 2B: Professional Identity Exploration Using Photovoice

Jaehee Yi, PhD, MSW

Chair – Research and Publication Committee
University of Utah, College of Social Work
Salt Lake City UT

Participants will learn the theoretical and practical aspects of Photovoice methodology as a qualitative research and powerful intervention technique. Under the broad theme of “Pediatric Oncology Social Workers, Who are you?” the participants will discuss our professional identities from different angles through subgroup discussion, photo-taking, and narratives. As an outcome, we will altogether compile our collective thoughts of who we are with visual images and succinct narratives.

Requirement: bring a tool to take photos, such as a digital camera or a cell phone with camera function, and also any equipment such as phone cables that will download photos from your photo-taking tool. You are welcome to bring any photos from your past relevant to the topic above.

12:15 PM – 1:30 PM
Lunch on your own

1:30 PM – 2:45 PM BREAKOUT SESSION 1
1.25 CEUs

1A Life After Cancer: An Exploration of Transition & Survivorship Programs in a Pediatric Cancer Center

Lisl Schweers, LCSW

Amber Denbleyker, LCSW

Alexis Reilly, MSW

Children's Hospital Los Angeles
Los Angeles CA

This presentation will review the key components of successful clinical programs for adolescent and young adult cancer survivors by describing various models of survivorship and transition clinics at Children's Hospital Los Angeles. Effective transition tools and resources will be described so that participants can consider the implementation of these strategies into their work with survivors. Case vignettes will be offered to further demonstrate the effectiveness and utility of transition planning in the AYA population.

1B The Development of a Social Work Service Delivery Model in a Pediatric Oncology Program

Laura Scott-Lane, MSW, RSW

Wendy Pelletier, MSW, RSW

Alberta Children's Hospital
Calgary AB Canada

A diagnosis of childhood cancer and the demands of treatment create various challenges that place a heavy emotional burden on children and their families. Faced with an understanding of patients and families psychosocial support needs across the treatment trajectory, this presentation outlines an innovative Social Work Service Delivery Model that was created to provide optimal psychosocial support through the use of an evidence-based screening tool as a complement to traditional social work assessment.

Day 1 – WEDNESDAY, April 23, 2014

1C Psychological Distress and Unsatisfied Need for Psychosocial Support in Adolescents and Young Adults

Brad Zebrack, PhD, MSW, MPH

University of Michigan
Ann Arbor MI

Identifying at-risk adolescent and young adult (AYA) cancer patients and referring them to age-appropriate psychosocial support services may be instrumental in reducing psychological distress and promoting psychosocial adaptation. A longitudinal, prospective study of 215 recently-diagnosed AYA patients determined that substantial proportions of AYAs are not getting their psychosocial support needs met. The study suggests the importance of identifying psychologically distressed AYAs and addressing their needs for mental health counseling throughout a continuum of care.

2:45 PM – 6:45 PM EXHIBITOR'S FAIR, SILENT AUCTION and EXPRESSIVE ART REMEMBRANCE ACTIVITY

Join other conference attendees for another networking opportunity, visit the exhibitor tables, learn about resources from vendors and bid on wonderful donated items to help raise money for the Houston Tyler Rothschild Scholarship Fund.

The APOSW Memorial Tree will honor the memory of those patients whom we have known who have succumbed to their disease and celebrate patients with whom we work currently by honoring their ongoing fight against cancer. APOSW members will be able to write a name, a thought, a quote or a word and place it on the tree for the duration of the conference, and then remove it upon departure as a memento of those honored. The APOSW Memorial Tree will be on display throughout the conference at various locations.

3:00 PM – 5:00 PM POSTER PRESENTATION 2 CEUs

P-1 Get a Little PEP in Your Step - A Model for Improving Psychosocial Care in Pediatric Oncology

Stephanie Freeman, LICSW, EdM., OSW-C

Rachel Rogovin, LICSW, OSW-C

Rhode Island Hospital
Providence RI

Providing high-quality psychosocial care for cancer patients and families is an integral component of high-quality medical care. A lecture series was developed by clinical social work highlighting important psychosocial topics. Post-test evaluations concluded that team members felt an increased understanding of the psychosocial needs of pediatric oncology families and an improved ability to work more collaboratively. Going forward clinical social work will continue to provide formalized psychosocial education to the multidisciplinary team going forward.

P-2 ExCEL: Preparing Social Workers for New Frontiers in Oncology Practice

Shirley Otis-Green, MSW, ACSW, LCSW, OSW-C

City of Hope
Duarte CA

Barbara Jones, PhD, MSW

University of Texas at Austin
Austin TX

Brad Zebrack, PhD, MSW, MPH

University of Michigan
Ann Arbor MI

Supporting oncology patients and families in an evolving healthcare environment requires committed, competent and compassionate social work leaders. ExCEL participants refine an institutional enhancement goal to implement over the following twelve months. Post-course evaluation data from the first 3 cohorts (N=308) and initial 12-month follow-up data (N=165) demonstrate the feasibility and positive impact of the course. Participants report increased confidence in their competence key skills and maintain this improvement over 12 months.

Day 1 – WEDNESDAY, April 23, 2014

P-3 Supporting Children through Cancer: Development and Dissemination of the Cellie Cancer Coping Kit

Meghan Marsac, PhD

Lamia P. Barakat PhD

Kristen L. Kohser, MSW, LSW

Nancy Kassam-Adams, PhD

Melissa A. Alderfer, PhD

The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia PA

The Cellie Cancer Coping Kit is an evidence-based tool to help children and their parents deal with cancer and its treatment. Results regarding its helpfulness are promising with families engaging in and learning from using the Kit. While internal dissemination has been successful, some challenges to external dissemination of the Kit have emerged. Ongoing efforts to reach more children with cancer are continuing.

P-4 Pediatric Enhancing Connections: A Qualitative Study Evaluating a Parent Counseling Intervention

Barbara Jones, PhD, MSW

University of Texas at Austin
Austin TX

The purpose of this study was to evaluate the feasibility of the Pediatric Enhancing Connections (PEC) program for mothers and children during the acute phase of a child's diagnosis and treatment for early stage cancers. Qualitative interviews were used to identify themes that describe the reactions of the mothers to the intervention materials, and how they perceive the intervention as meeting or not meeting the needs of their family. Findings suggest a need for parenting interventions for families faced with a child's cancer diagnosis.

P-5 Improving Patient Centered Care: Identifying Sickle Cell Disease Caregivers with Low Health Literacy

Julie Wagner, MSW, MA, LSW

Saint Barnabas Medical Center- Valerie Center
Livingston NJ

Health literacy is defined as the degree to which a person can obtain, process, and understand basic health information and services needed to make appropriate health decisions. If the caregiver of a pediatric patient has low health literacy, the patient may be at increased risk for poor health outcomes such as frequent hospitalization. The project's goal was to improve the % of inpatient Sickle Cell Disease patient caregivers screened for inadequate health literacy from 0% to 90% by September 2013.

P-6 Improving the Quality of Cancer Care for the Whole Patient: Screening for High Distress in Caregivers

Julie Wagner, MSW, MA, LSW

Saint Barnabas Medical Center- Valerie Center
Livingston NJ

Since distress management is an integral part of total cancer care and medical outcomes, it is imperative that caregivers of pediatric patients be monitored for high distress. The project's goal was to improve the % of active pediatric oncology patient caregivers screened for distress from 0% to 100% and to improve the % of intervention via referral to services from 0% to 100% by September 6, 2013.

P-7 Implementation of a Wellness Team model to provide psychosocial care in pediatric oncology

Kara Walsh, MSW, LCSW

Children's Hospital Colorado Center for Cancer and Blood Disorders
Aurora CO

Children's Hospital CO Center for Cancer and Blood Disorders developed a Wellness Team model to provide comprehensive psychosocial care for pediatric patients and their families. This unique and innovative model allows multidisciplinary psychosocial providers the autonomy to develop and implement programs to address needs to individual patients and families, as well as the needs of disease-based medical teams. The purpose of this poster is to describe the Wellness Team, gaps in psychosocial care, potential outcomes of the Team, and areas for improvement.



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P-8 Patient Care at NIH: What Pediatric Hematology-Oncology Social Workers Need to Know

Lynn L. Hardesty, MSS, LCSW-C, BCD

Joan Galil, MSW, LCSW-C, DCSW

Rachel Margolis, MSW, LICSW

Clinical Center Social Work Department, NIH
Bethesda MD

In their pursuit of a cure or treatment to promote healing, patients, families, and medical professionals consider clinical trials in their own institutions first and outside facilities when necessary. This poster presentation provides extensive information about the logistics of clinical trials for pediatric patients at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) in Bethesda, MD. Armed with clear information, social workers are in the best position to assist patients and families during their decision-making process.

P-9 The Culture of Childhood Cancer and the Social Worker's Role

Karen Borgen, BSSW student

Dheeshana Jayasundara, PhD, MSSW, MA, LCSW

University of North Dakota
Grand Forks ND

The purpose of this project is to define and explore the culture of childhood cancer, as well as explore the social worker's role with that population.

3:30 PM – 5:30 PM Tour of The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP)

A tour of CHOP, including bus transportation will be available for the first 25 tour registrants.

Founded in 1855, The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia is the birthplace of pediatric medicine in America. Ranked first in U.S. News & World Report's 2013-14 survey of Best Children's Hospitals, CHOP is an international leader in research and care. Families travel to CHOP from around the world seeking therapies for cancers.

5:00 PM – 6:45 PM Reception – Wine and Cheese, Entertainment, Raffle, Door Prizes (must be present to win)

There will be tasty appetizers starting at 5:00 PM with a formal welcome to Philadelphia and conference announcements. Beverages will be available for purchase.



Mural2- Philadelphia Convention and Visitors Bureau

Day 2 – THURSDAY, April 24, 2014

7:30 AM – 8:30 AM REGISTRATION

7:30 AM – 8:30 AM BREAKFAST

7:30 AM – 8:30 AM Gathering of Solo Practitioners 1 CEU

This is a networking opportunity for social workers who work as solo practitioners in their settings. Discussion will include opportunities to explore this unique care delivery model, challenges and program models that can be implemented by solo practitioners. Elyse Levin-Russman, LICSW, OSW-C, APOSW Board Member and solo practitioner will facilitate.

7:30 AM – 8:30 AM Case Consultation Gathering 1 CEU

Pat Cornwell, LCSW, APOSW Past-President, will facilitate an open discussion over breakfast for those wishing to consult and collaborate with peers regarding challenging cases.

8:30 AM – 9:45 AM BREAKOUT SESSION 2 1.25 CEUs

2A AYA Sexual Health in Oncology: Current Practices and Quality Improvement

Susan Pultman, LSW, MEd.

Dava Szalda, MD

Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
Philadelphia PA

Providers' lack of knowledge and comfort around AYA oncology patients' sexual health can cause a crucial part of this age group's identity to be ignored, leading to a gap in their health care. This session will discuss an initiative carried out at CHOP that included a survey of current practices of medical and psychosocial providers and an educational program that aims to increase providers' comfort level in discussing and initiating conversations about sexual health. Attendees will receive training around sexual health communication with their AYA patients.

2B Social Work Support in the Pursuit of Healing for Bereaved Parents

Robyn Hjorth-Martin, LICSW

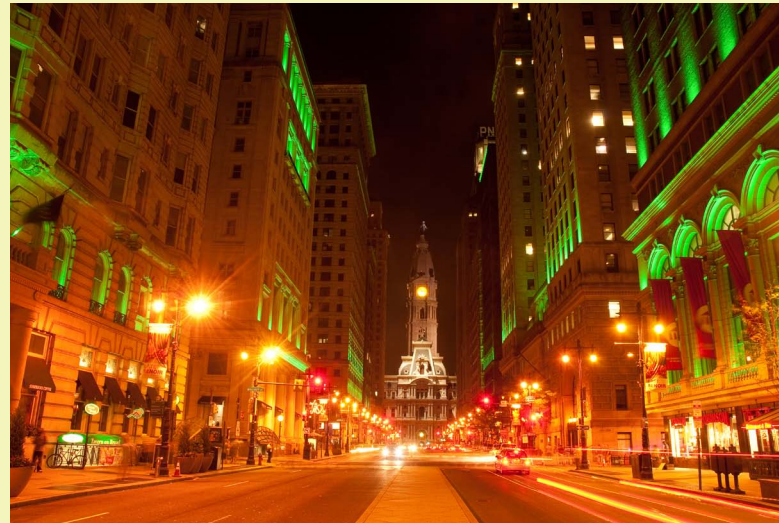
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University of Minnesota Amplatz Children's Hospital
Minneapolis MN

There is so much information and resources for social workers to utilize to support families during diagnosis and treatment. Our experience has shown us that there is very little information and resources for those families whose child has not survived. We will explore the ways that families grieve through an in-depth literature review, survey of bereaved families and outreach to other institutions. We hope this information will help improve our practice in support of our families.



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Day 2 – THURSDAY, April 24, 2014

2C Cooking for Cancer: Developing an Evidence-Based, Innovative, Interactive Nutrition Program

Mary E. Lane, MSW, LICSW

Danielle Cook Navidi, MS

MedStar Georgetown University Hospital
Washington DC

Drawing from personal experience as a parent of a cancer survivor and the utilization of an evidenced-based approach earned a grant from the Hyundai Hope on Wheels Foundation. The innovative Cooking for Cancer program aims to: 1) Counter some of the side effects of chemotherapy for pediatric patients; 2) Promote healing; and 3) Empower parents to help their children stay nourished. The TODAY Show featured Cooking for Cancer program and the special Happily Hungry recipe book for children with cancer that was subsequently created.

2D Managing the Financial Challenges of Childhood Cancer: A Practical Guide to Financial Literacy

Kathleen Devine, CPA

Tom Coughlin Jay Fund Foundation
Jacksonville Beach FL

Financial literacy can benefit everyone. It especially becomes meaningful to families whose children have cancer. Although many organizations offer financial assistance to temporarily close the gap, what are these families to do when the money runs out? How can social workers continue to support these families by providing meaningful assistance? Learn what the Jay Fund has done to combat these difficult situations. Learn the fundamentals about financial literacy and how you can replicate the program.

9:45 AM – 10:00 AM BREAK

For your convenience, beverages and snacks are available for purchase at the Annex Grille on the Lobby level.

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM SPECIAL INTEREST WORKING GROUPS 1.5 CEUs

Adolescent – Young Adult

Ethics in Pediatric Hem/Onc

Blood and Marrow Transplant

Brain Tumors

End of Life/Palliative Care

Sibling Issues

Survivorship/Late Effects

11:30 AM – 11:45 AM BREAK

11:45 AM – 1:30 PM NETWORKING LUNCHEON, BUSINESS MEETING AND ELECTIONS

This networking opportunity is for all conference attendees. Come participate in round table discussions and exchange contact information. To facilitate networking within your geographical area, tables will be designated by regions (including international). The APOSW Business Meeting and election of the 2014-2016 APOSW officers will follow lunch and is open to all APOSW members.

1:30 PM – 1:45 PM BREAK

1:45 PM – 3:00 PM BREAKOUT SESSION 3 1.25 CEUs

3A The Journey of Surviving Childhood Cancer: Spirituality, Social Independence and Life Changes

Jaehee Yi PhD, MSW

Jonghee Kim, MSW, PhD student

Jesmin Akter, PhD student

Tian Tian, MSW, PhD candidate

College of Social Work, University of Utah
Salt Lake City UT

Semi-structured interviews with 53 childhood cancer survivors (ages 18-56) were analyzed around the themes of spirituality, social independence, and life changes. Positive and negative life changes; internal and external mechanisms of spiritual/religious coping strategies and their impact on life changes; and independence development in their relationships with parents and their emotional struggles emerged as main themes. Existential issues of survivorship in research and practice are to be discussed.

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3B Father and Survivor Retreat: Pursuing Improved Relationships within the AYA Brain Tumor Community

Wade Iwata, LMSW, OSW-C

Stacia Wagner, LSW

Children's Brain Tumor Foundation
New York NY

Limited studies and interventions on the role of the father and impact on developmental goal achievement for a father of an adolescent who has a brain tumor have been conducted. AYA brain tumor survivors and their fathers attended a three day pilot weekend bonding intervention. Objectives, including areas of concern, and team building activities were based on focus groups and research. This workshop will discuss program creation, implementation and outcomes.

3C Implementing a Cognitive Behavioral/Family Systems Intervention for Newly Diagnosed

Rebecca S McIntyre, MA, MEd, LCSW

Formerly Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
Hospice of Piedmont/Piedmont Kids
Charlottesville VA

Darlene Barkman, MA

Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
Philadelphia PA

Stephanie Schneider MS, LPC

Nemours/A.I. DuPont Hospital for Children
Wilmington DE

This presentation provides a model for implementing evidence-based, cognitive behavioral/family systems interventions intended to provide newly diagnosed children with cancer and their parents/caregivers concrete, practical skills that support healthy family adjustment and prevent the potential for posttraumatic stress symptoms in the future. Through this comprehensive program children and caregivers develop an understanding of the link between thoughts and feelings and how distressing thoughts or beliefs can impact emotional state, actions and relationships.

3D Illness Narratives: Pediatric Privacy versus Parental Prerogative

Beth A. Bauer, MSW, LSW

University of Cincinnati Medical Center
Cincinnati OH

How do online illness narratives written by the parents and caregivers of pediatric cancer survivors affect the quality of life of these children as they grow up? Are parents and caregivers adequately educated regarding the potential harvesting of their public information by researchers? Current research and communication norms regarding this subject will be discussed.

3:00 PM – 3:15 PM BREAK

For your convenience, beverages and snacks are available for purchase at the Annex Grille on the Lobby level.



Boathouse Row- Photographer Paul Loftland



Day 2 – THURSDAY, April 24, 2014

3:15 PM – 4:45 PM INTENSIVE 2: The Nuts and Bolts of Childhood Cancer Survivorship 1.5 CEUs

Wendy Hobbie, RN, MSN, CRNP, FAAN

The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
Philadelphia PA

This presentation will introduce the concepts of cancer survivorship, and the physical and psychological effects of post-treatment. The importance of the multidisciplinary team including the role of the social worker will be explored. Transition of the aging survivor population and identifying an adult health care home will be described.

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM PAST PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION (invitation only)

The 2012-2014 APOSW Board of Directors cordially invites past APOSW presidents attending the conference to a reception honoring their contributions to our organization. It is an occasion for these visionary leaders in pediatric oncology social work to re-connect.

6:00 PM APOSW BANQUET

Crystal Tea Room at Wanamaker

100 E Penn Square E, 9th floor
Wanamaker Building (Macy's)
Philadelphia PA 19107

Recognition Awards

Social Worker of the Year
ExCEL Award
Departing Board of Directors



City Hall at Night

Day 3 – FRIDAY, April 25, 2014

7:30 AM – 8:30 AM BREAKFAST

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM INTENSIVE 3 1.5 CEUs

Can We Screen To Intervene?

Anne E. Kazak, PhD, ABPP

Alfred I. DuPont Hospital for Children
Wilmington DE

Psychosocial screening in pediatric cancer is recommended to identify family risks and strengths and proactively match care for families. This presentation will provide an overview of factors associated with adaptive outcomes and present a model for the delivery of care matched to need – the Pediatric Psychosocial Preventative Health Model (PPPHM). The Psychosocial Assessment Tool (PAT), a brief parent report measure of risk will be presented, along with discussion of associated interventions.

10:00 AM – 10:15 AM 2015 APOSW Conference Reveal

10:15 AM – 10:30 AM BREAK

For your convenience, beverages and snacks are available for purchase at the Annex Grille on the Lobby level.

10:30 AM – 11:45 AM BREAKOUT SESSION 4 1.25 CEUs

4A Hematopoietic Cell Transportation Information Needs for Patients with Sickle Cell Disease

Joshua Gerrity, MSW, LGSW

Stacy Stickney Ferguson, MSW, LICSW

National Marrow Donor Program®/ Be The Match®
Minneapolis MN

In the US, approximately 100,000 people live with sickle cell disease (SCD). Although advances in medical care have improved the lives of patients with SCD, hematopoietic cell transplantation remains the only known cure. Results of a focus group study and analysis of the patient contact tracking database will be presented. Information needs and educational preferences will be explored. Access to timely information fosters informed decision-making and empowers patients and families to participate in treatment planning.

4B Diversity Café: Digging a Little Deeper

Carolyn McCarley, LCSW, OSW-C

Arkansas Children's Hospital
Little Rock AR

Diversity Cafe is an opportunity to explore and discuss your diversities and similarities, which will lend to personal awareness as well as support the goal of greater awareness. This will enable us to develop more inclusive communities for both our teams and the settings where our patients and families are served.



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4C Innovative Approach to Improving the Quality of Life for Children Facing Life-Threatening Illnesses

Paul Leech, ACMA

Team IMPACT
Quincy MA

Sarah Brand, PhD

Dana Farber Cancer Institute
Boston MA

Team IMPACT has enabled significant Pediatric Quality of Life benefits through its program of matching children with life-threatening or chronic illness with college sports teams. Delegates will, with the aid of a full program description and case studies, see how this program has impacted these children, their families and the student athletes. There will also be a moderated discussion on how a team based approach can be used to help child cancer sufferers.

11:45 AM – 1:15 PM COMMITTEE MEETINGS 1 CEU

Box Lunch Provided for Registered Attendee

There are three committees that meet each year at the annual conference to provide members with the opportunity to become more involved in APOSW and provide guidance in matters that are of interest in supporting our clinical roles within pediatric & AYA oncology populations, as well as the mission of APOSW itself.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

Rachel Rogovin, MSW, LICSW

Hasbro Children's Hospital
Providence RI

Networking and communication between members is a core, valuable benefit of an APOSW membership. The APOSW website and quarterly Newsletter are invaluable tools used by APOSW members to communicate new information, resources and happenings both on an individual and national level. We invite increased participation within the APOSW membership in developing website and newsletter content to capitalize on the expert knowledge and skill base within the membership, and increase the value and impact of these resources for the membership. To this end we are seeking interested and motivated APOSW members to participate on the Communications Committee.

RESEARCH and PUBLICATION COMMITTEE

Jaehee Yi, PhD, MSW

Chair – Research and Publication Committee
University of Utah, College of Social Work
Salt Lake City UT

The purpose of the meeting is for members to share research they are participating in and to discuss ideas that they would like to develop into research, publication, or group projects. The Research Committee also plans to develop an APOSW research project where members can collaborate, learn and develop their skills together. The Research Committee meeting is not intended for "research experts" or those currently participating in research only, it is open to all members. It is a great venue to meet your potential mentors, mentees, and like-minded colleagues.



Hansom Cab- Photographer Andrea Golod

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QUALITY of LIFE COMMITTEE

Elyse Levin -Russman, LICSW, OSW-C
Chair –Quality of Life Committee
Massachusetts General Hospital
Boston MA

The Quality of Life (QOL) Committee is open to all members. This Committee defines an agenda and serves to guide the work done by the SIWG's. This year's agenda will focus on Professional Identity and Leadership in Pediatric Oncology Social Work. Through the group's dialogue, we will identify challenges in clinical practice and develop innovative solutions to both enhance our role in the treatment team and in turn promote excellence in our care of patients and their families.

OR

11:45 AM – 1:30 PM
Lunch on your own

1:15 PM – 1:30 PM
BREAK



Day 3 – FRIDAY, April 25 2014

1:30 PM – 3:30 PM ETHICS INTENSIVE 2 CEUs

Hope, Emotions, and Parental Sense of Duty When Confronting Serious Pediatric Illness

Christopher Feudtner, MD, PhD, MPH

Director of Medical Ethics

The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

Philadelphia PA

Across the pediatric cancer experience, from diagnosis to either survivorship or mortality, patients and parents encounter not only voluminous amounts of complex information, but also strong emotions and feelings of hope or hopelessness. Parents navigate this journey guided in part by a sense of what they believe they need to do in order to be a good parent. This session will address these issues and how social workers can assist and even facilitate growth.

3:30 PM – 3:45 PM Photo Voice Presentation from the 2014 APOSW Conference Participants

3:45 PM – 4:00PM CLOSING REMARKS

Anne Kosem, MSW, LCSW

2014-2016 APOSW President

Duke University Medical Center

Hematology / Oncology

Durham NC



The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia



Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital



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Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Credentials: _____

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First Time Attendee: Yes ___ No ___ Are you a past APOSW Board Member: Yes ___ APOSW Past President: Yes ___

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CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

(Conference registration does not include APOSW membership fee. If you would like to become a member or renew your membership, please visit our website: www.aposw.org for the membership form and details)

*Registration is not complete until payment is received in full.

FULL CONFERENCE REGISTRATION: (Includes Banquet)	*Until 3/12/14 Early Bird Discount	After 3/13/2014
2014 FIRST TIME NEW MEMBER of APOSW	\$380.00	\$380.00
2014 FULL MEMBER	\$380.00	\$480.00
2014 ASSOCIATE MEMBER	\$450.00	\$550.00
2014 STUDENT MEMBER (Enrolled in Undergraduate or Graduate Social Work Program)	\$160.00	\$260.00
2014 STUDENT NON-MEMBER of APOSW	\$210.00	\$310.00
2014 NON-MEMBER of APOSW	\$575.00	\$675.00
ONE DAY CONFERENCE REGISTRATION:	*Until 3/12/14 Early Bird Discount	After 3/13/2014
Wednesday-April 23 or Thursday-April 24 or Friday April 25		
2014 APOSW MEMBER	\$150.00	\$250.00
2014 NON-MEMBER of APOSW	\$200.00	\$300.00

Total Conference Registration Enclosed: \$ _____

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ROOM LOCATOR:

I would like assistance locating a: male roommate____ female roommate____

Tour: The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (limited to the first 25 paid registrants who select to attend)

Wednesday April 23rd 3:30 PM – 5:30 PM Wish to attend _____

Please select one seminar

Wednesday April 23rd 10:15 AM – 1:15 PM Seminar 1: Introduction to Pediatric Hematology Oncology Social Work _____

Wednesday April 23rd 10:15 AM – 12:15 PM Advance Practice Seminar 2A_____

Wednesday April 23rd 10:15 AM – 12:15 PM Advance Practice Seminar 2B (Photo Voice) _____

Please select one session per breakout session (A-D)

Wednesday April 23rd 1:30 PM-2:45 PM Breakout 1 _____

Thursday April 24th 8:30 AM-9:45 AM Breakout 2 _____

Thursday April 24th 1:45 PM – 3:00 PM Breakout 3 _____

Friday April 25th 10:30 AM-11:45 AM Breakout 4 _____

NETWORKING LUNCHEON: Thursday April 24th 11:45 PM – 1:30 PM

Will attend _____ Will not attend _____

SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENT: Vegan _____ Vegetarian _____ Gluten-Free _____ Kosher _____

SPECIAL INTEREST WORKING GROUP: Thursday April 24th 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Will attend _____ Will not attend _____

Select one SIWG to attend:

1. AYA _____ 2. Bioethics _____ 3. Brain Tumors _____ 4. BMT _____ 5. End of Life/ Palliative Care _____

6. Sibling Issues _____ 7. Survivorship/Late Effects _____

COMMITTEE MEETINGS: Friday April 25th 11:45 AM – 1:00 PM

Will attend _____ Will not attend _____

Select one committee to attend:

Communication Committee_____ Research and Publication Committee_____ Quality of Life Committee _____

SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENT: Vegan _____ Vegetarian _____ Gluten-Free _____ Kosher _____

BANQUET: Registration for the banquet is not available after March 31, 2014

Will attend _____ Will not attend _____

Will bring a guest (additional cost of \$ 60/person)

Number of Guests_____ Total_____

I grant permission to APOSW to take my photograph during the 2014 APOSW Conference for use on the APOSW website:

Yes _____ No _____

To Register: On-line: visit www.aposw.org

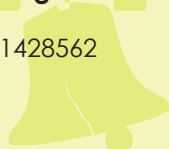
Mail: Helena Gutierrez Richards, c/o Nemours Children's Clinic, 807 Children's Way Jacksonville, FL 32207

All conference fees must be paid in advance of the conference. We request that all payments be paid in US dollars – Visa or MasterCard**, US checks, US traveler's checks, or US money orders. Please make checks payable to APOSW.**

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All requests for cancellation must be submitted in writing via e-mail to info@aposw.org. Please include "Conference Cancellation" and/or "Conference Substitution" in the subject line. Cancellation of prepaid conference registration received in writing by April 9th, 2014 (two weeks prior to the APOSW Conference) will be issued a refund less an administration charge of \$100. No refunds after April 9th, 2014. Refunds will be issued after the conference. In lieu of canceling a registrant **may opt to send a substitute from his/her institution. The substituting individual may attend the banquet in place of the registrant. No exceptions.**

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