

4th Annual

Native American

Cultural Awareness Training

& Applications in Mental Health Crisis

Thursday, April 10, 2014

8:15am - 4:00pm

Shooting Star Casino Event Center

Mahnomen, Minnesota

Early registration of \$30 if received by March 25

\$45 per person thereafter

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, April 2, 2014

"The Journey Toward Cultural Competency" The stages of cultural competence on personal, professional, and organizational levels including content specific to working with American Indian Families.

"We're In This Together—Mobile Crisis Response and Law Enforcement" The effectiveness of law enforcement and mobile crisis responders working collaboratively to meet the needs of adults and children experiencing behavioral health care emergencies."

"Cultural Responsiveness in Crisis Work" An enhanced understanding of how a Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Diagnosis (FASD) may impact the work of crisis responders. Learn useful techniques to enhance crisis work with children and adults impacted by FASD and techniques that will enhance cultural responsiveness.

"White Earth Nation Drug Task Force" Focus will be on the common drugs found in people's homes, the signs to look for in individuals who may be using, and how to respond to the individual who may be under the influence of drugs or alcohol when responding to a crisis situation.

Sponsored by:

White Earth Tribal Mental Health, Becker County Adult & Children's Crisis Programs, Northwest 6 & Northwest 8 County Collaborative Adult & Children's Crisis Programs, Steller Human Services

Training Agenda:

- ◆ 8:15–8:45 Check-In, Continental Breakfast
- ◆ 9:00–9:15 Opening & Drum Group
- ◆ 9:15–10:30 The Journey Toward Cultural Competence, Bree Bussey
- ◆ 10:30–10:45 Break
- ◆ 10:45–12:00 We're In This Together—Mobile Crisis Response and Law Enforcement Brenda Mack & Officer Don Rasicot
- ◆ 12:00–1:00 Lunch Provided (call if special diet)
- ◆ 1:00–2:00 FASD & Cultural Responsiveness in Crisis Work, Bobi Spaeth
- ◆ 2:15–2:30 Break
- ◆ 2:30–3:30 White Earth Nation Drug Task Force, Tami Hunt
- ◆ 3:30–4:00 Closing Prayer

Registration:

Make checks payable to:

White Earth Tribal Mental Health

P.O. Box 300

White Earth, MN 56591

FAX (218) 983-4236

Faxed Registrations: must be accompanied by a Purchase Order.

Mailed Registrations: Payment must be included with Registration.

A block of rooms is reserved under White Earth Mental Health Reservation (#570237) at a rate of \$65. 800-453-STAR (7827) Availability is limited & rate expires April 2, 2014

Direct registration questions and other inquiries to:

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Trainer Biographies

Bree Bussey, MSW

Bree works as the Community Programs Coordinator in the Center for Regional and Tribal Child Welfare Studies at the University of Minnesota Duluth. Bree is responsible for the development and implementation of community-based grant projects with a focus on American Indian Child Welfare. Bree holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in American Indian Studies and English and her Master of Social Work from the University of Minnesota-Duluth. Her professional experience also includes local and national work in providing training and technical assistance for tribally based domestic violence programs and working in shelter, transitional, and permanent supportive housing programs for American Indian families and individuals who have experienced chronic violence and homelessness. Bree also provides regional training and consultation to social workers, foster parents, and other service professionals about providing culturally competent support and services to American Indian children and families.

Tami Hunt

Tami has been in law enforcement since 2000. She started her career as a patrol officer at the Detroit Lakes Police Department and was also an investigator for three years. In June of 2013, she took a job at the White Earth Police Department as a Narcotics Investigator. Tami is a part of the Paul Bunyan Drug Task Force and the Headwaters Safe Trails Task Force.

Brenda Mack MSW, LICSW

Brenda Mack, MSW, LICSW is the Director of the Children and Family Services Division at Northwestern Mental Health Center. She also serves as the Polk County Children's Mental Health Collaborative Coordinator. She earned her Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Social Work from the University of North Dakota. She is a Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker and a Mental Health Professional in the state of MN. Brenda has been working for Northwestern Mental Health Center since 1996.

Brenda provides leadership and program management for in-home family therapy services, school-based mental health services, care coordination, fidelity wraparound, family group decision making, functional family therapy, and mobile crisis services. She provides clinical supervision to mental health practitioners and provides consultation to partner agencies regarding children's mental health assessment and intervention. Aside from her administrative responsibilities she provides individual and family therapy services. She is trained in Functional Family Therapy and in the American Association for Suicidology's "Recognizing and Responding to Suicide Risk: Essential Skills for Clinicians."

Brenda has specialized knowledge and proven experience in Rural/Frontier Mental Health models, practices and efficacies; building and maintaining relationships with consumers and key stakeholders in helping children and adults with behavioral health issues thrive in the region; healthcare reform integrating behavioral and primary health care services; children's behavioral health social marketing and de-stigmatization strategies; implementing children's mental health evidenced-based practices in a sparsely populated region. She has presented at local, state and national conferences.

Brenda has specialized training and experience in budget management and completed the Behavioral Health Middle Management Academy training. Brenda serves as a member of the Northwestern Mental Health Center's grant writing team and has authored or co-authored over twenty federal and state proposals which have been awarded to the Center or partner agencies benefitting children with behavioral health issues and their families. Brenda serves as a member of both Northwestern Mental Health Center's management and mobile crisis teams.

Donald E. Rasicot

Began his law enforcement career in 1979 at the Normandale Community College's law enforcement program where he also attended the P.O.S.T. skills course.

Don enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and volunteered for the military police program and upon completion went to the El Toro military police academy at the El Toro Marine Air Station California. Within one year he was promoted twice and selected to try out for the Marine S.E.R.T. (Special Emergency Reactionary Team), a newly formed team for response to domestic terrorist threats to stateside military installations. Once selected for this team, he then went to the S.E.R.T. academy at Camp Pendleton California and graduated in the top 10 of this academy and was then sent back to his base as a patrol supervisor. He was selected as the first enlisted Marine to attend the elite 16 week Orange County Sheriff's Academy. In April of 1983 he graduated in the top 10% from this academy and returned to his base as a watch commander/patrol supervisor. Don was promoted to a sergeant in the Marine Corp in just over two years of service and attended college during opposite shifts of his military jobs to attain a 4-year degree in criminal justice with a minor in business administration.

In 1986 Don returned to Minnesota to pursue his dream of being a civilian police officer and in February of 1988 was hired by the Minneapolis Police Department and attended their police academy. During his tenure with the Minneapolis Police Department he was promoted to field training officer and selected to be on the 5th and 3rd precinct crack teams. Don participated in a career enrichment tour in the homicide, narcotics, vice, and in the research and development divisions. He was awarded the medal of valor, medal of commendation twice, and the chief's award of merit.

In 2004 he was hired by the Crookston Police Department. I took a very substantial cut in pay and had to move to Crookston for my return to police work. I would do it again 100 times over. I love my job as a police officer here in Crookston, and find it to be the most rewarding opportunity that I have done in my working career.

Don is an active community member who participates in many community events.

Bobi Spaeth, MSW, LGSW

Bobi Spaeth has been employed with the White Earth Reservation since 2005. She has worked in the mental health field since this time working in children's case management, skills, and is currently a therapist providing counseling services to children and adults, but specifically providing services to those who have been impacted by an FASD diagnosis. In 2009, Mrs. Spaeth became the manager of the Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) Program which is the only tribally owned and operated FASD program within the United States. The White Earth FASD Program provides a comprehensive system of care by providing screenings to ages 0-18, diagnostic evaluation, and FASD case management services. In addition, Mrs. Spaeth has volunteered as a member of the Becker County and White Earth Reservation Crisis Team since 2010 providing crisis intervention to children and adults.

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Payment Method: Faxed Registration - Purchase Order _____

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Multiple Attendees Registration # _____ Attending

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Rate # Attending Total

Payment must be received prior to 3/26/14 to qualify for lower rate:

\$30 Early Registration

\$45 Registration

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**If you are registering for more than one person complete the following information for each participant, reproduce as necessary.

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