

2017 PEDIATRIC CHAPLAINS NETWORK NATIONAL CONFERENCE



Setting Sail

May 22-25, 2017

Haworth Inn and Conference Center
Holland, Michigan



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Winds and waves are unpredictable!

They can fill our sails—but they can also batter our boats.

They may take us quickly to our plotted destination—or leave us off-course and stranded.

Like good sailors, pediatric chaplains learn to read and navigate the winds of an ever-changing healthcare environment. In order to reach our destination—achieve our goals—we use tactical skills, timing, multiple resources, and learned expertise.

Come and join us as we explore the skills, competencies, resources and challenges facing chaplaincy as it sets a course into the future of pediatric spiritual care!

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OUR ACCOMMODATIONS



Haworth Inn and Conference Center
255 College Ave
Holland, MI 49423

The Haworth Inn & Conference Center offers a professional meeting space, with comfortable rooms and enjoyable food.

Our location is nestled near the shores of Lake Macatawa in the quaint Dutch town of Holland, MI.

Whether strolling through downtown or enjoying the natural beauty, this area will assure a pleasurable time for all.

TRANSPORTATION

A complimentary shuttle to and from the Gerald R. Ford International Airport in Grand Rapids, MI, is included in your registration fee. After you have registered for the Conference, reserve your place on a shuttle by contacting the Haworth Inn at least one week prior to your arrival. Please have your complete flight information on hand when you call.

Haworth Contact: 800-903-9142



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CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Monday—May 22	Tuesday—May 23	Wednesday—May 24	Thursday—May 25
<p>Meeting room information and a map of the facility will be in your arrival packet</p> <p>Contacts: Mark Brown: 901-517-5806 Lavender Kelley: 773-899-5253 Haworth Center: 616-395-7200</p>	<p>7:30—Morning Meditation</p> <p>7-8:45—Continental Breakfast (Lobby)</p> <p>9:00—Blessed Be the Ties That Bind: Setting Sail through the Rough Waters Towards Support of the Other—<i>Matthew Schlaegeter</i></p> <p>10:15 — BREAK</p> <p>10:30—Faith Journeys of Parents with Children Born Intersex: Reading the Winds for a Full Sail of Peace—<i>Gordon Pugh & Brett Vebber</i></p> <p>12:00-1:00—Lunch</p>	<p>7:30—Morning Meditation</p> <p>7-8:45—Continental Breakfast (Lobby)</p> <p>9:00—Interest Group 1</p> <p>10:15—BREAK</p> <p>10:45—Interest Group 2</p> <p>12:00-1:00—Lunch <i>(Lunch discussion available for those pursuing board certification through APC with Mark Bartel)</i></p>	<p>7-8:45—Continental Breakfast (Lobby)</p> <p>8:45—Sailing Away: Synthesis and Ritualization of Experience—<i>Vance Goodman & Karen Geiger-Behm</i></p> <p>10:00—Conference ends and hotel check-out</p>
<p>9:00-4:00—PCI Onsite Intensive (Separate registration required. See PCI Registration information for topics and agenda)</p>	<p>Special Keynote Speaker George Fichett Leads an afternoon of interactive learning and reflection</p> <p>1:00—Building a Narrative and Foundation of Research</p> <p>2:15—BREAK</p> <p>2:30—Exploration and Modeling of Three Research Projects</p> <p>4:00—BREAK</p> <p>4:15—Research Praxis</p>	<p>1:00-2:00—Business Meeting</p> <p>2:00—BREAK</p> <p>2:15—Facing Fears and Freely Writing: A Journey From Compassion Fatigue to Joy—<i>James Denham</i></p> <p>3:30—BREAK</p> <p>3:45—Spiritual Care Resources Praxis—<i>Lindsay Bon & Lavender Kelley</i></p>	<p>Interest Group 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compassion Fatigue Support Groups: Putting the Wind Back in our Sails—<i>Karen Norris</i> • Using Quality Indicators to Formulate Departmental Strategic Planning—<i>Dale E. Wratchford</i> • Quality of Life, Assent, and a Loving Family: A Case Study—<i>James Denham</i> <p>Interest Group 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Challenges of Cross-cultural Ministry with Spanish Speakers—<i>Gordon Pugh</i> • Sailing into Uncharted Territory, Super Technology for Super Special Needs—<i>Lindy Holt</i> • Coloring to Calm the Stormy Seas—<i>Skye Murray & Adam Walker Cleaveland</i>
<p>4:45 – First Time Attendee Meeting</p>			
<p>5:30—Opening Banquet</p> <p>6:45p—Welcome & Theme Exploration—<i>Mark Brown</i></p> <p>7:15p—Setting Sail with Play—<i>Tiffany Riley</i></p>	<p>Dinner on your own</p> <p><i>Applications in Self-Care: Several options will be offered as well as freedom to choose what you need</i></p>	<p>Dinner on your own</p> <p><i>Applications in Self-Care</i></p>	

PRESENTATION DESCRIPTIONS

Monday—May 22

- 9a-4p **PCI Onsite Intensive** (Separate registration required)
See information page for information on this special event
- 4:45p **First Time Attendee Meeting**
Brief optional meeting for first time attendees to orient and connect with conference veterans. This session will be helpful for networking, identifying ways of making your conference time more meaningful, and answering practical questions about PCN, PCI, and the PCN National Conference.
- 6:45p **Welcome & Theme Exploration**, Mark Brown
Brief session of welcome, explanation of theme framework, and sharing a theological vision and objectives for the conference.
- 7:15p **Setting Sail with Play**, Tiffany Riley
Professional performance artist Tiffany Riley (The Foundation for Laughter) will lead a session on play as a therapeutic and interpersonal modality revealing of beliefs and healing pathways.

Tuesday—May 23

- 9a **Blessed Be the Ties That Bind: Setting Sail through the Rough Waters Towards Support of the Other**, Matthew Schlageter
In the recent political season, we have heard much made about the other, about the differences between us and them, and, based on those differences, how we are not to trust them, and yet, as chaplains, we are called to support all those whose care is entrusted to us and be their voice at times to the care team. In response to the negative rhetoric and chaplain competencies, the purpose of this presentation will be to explore the phenomenon of pastoral care to the other and its implications on our role as a supportive presence to patients, families and staff who might be included as the other (the alien among us as the Hebrew texts writes). How do we get creative/innovative when addressing the needs of those who are different than we? How do we reach beyond our comfort zones in order to meet the other where they are?
- 10:30a **Faith Journeys of Parents with Children Born Intersex: Reading the Winds for a Full Sail of Peace**, Gordon Pugh & Brett Vebber
This presentation examines approaches to acceptance and full sails of peace around individuals and families dealing with Disorders of Sex Development (DSD's). Parents of children born intersex face difficult decisions as they embark into the unknown. Early decisions map out a course for a life-long voyage together, either through storms of misinformation, confusion, and fear, or capturing the wind of freedom through the holy and the discovery of safe harbors. Useful frameworks will be shared as well as resources for various faith traditions.

PRESENTATION DESCRIPTIONS

Tuesday—May 23 (continued)

Special Keynote Speaker Dr. George Fitchett
leads an afternoon of interactive learning and reflection.

The afternoon will be broken into three parts. Attendees will learn the importance of creating collaborative research relationships within institutions, how to identify useful resources for research, ways to examine research by other disciplines, and how to build their own research projects and initiatives.

Dr. Fitchett is a professor and director of research in the Department of Religion, Health & Human Values at Rush University, Chicago.

1p **Building a Narrative and Foundation of Research**
2:30p **Exploration and Modeling of 3 Research Projects**
4:15p **Research Praxis**

Wednesday—May 24

9a **INTEREST GROUP SESSION 1**

Compassion Fatigue Support Groups: Putting the Wind Back in our Sails, Karen Norris

Compassion Fatigue Support Groups have been a valued source of support for pediatric rehab staff (OT/PT especially). Led monthly by the Pediatric Chaplain these support groups give an opportunity for staff to assess and process their level of compassion fatigue. This presentation will review the model used for this group as well as feedback from participants.

Using Quality Indicators to Formulate Departmental Strategic Planning, Dale E. Wratchford

Pastoral and Spiritual Care Departments have to utilize the tools of healthcare administration for purposes of long-term strategic planning that is linked to and integrated with the mission and strategic goals of the hospital in which they do ministry. This presentation is designed to highlight tools available, strategies implemented, and stories of success that will spark ideas, innovation, and collaboration.

Quality of Life, Assent, and a Loving Family: A Case Study, James Denham

Using a case study approach, we will explore how a teenage boy and his family made medical decisions during his long and slow process of dying, and how his lack of presence in the decision making process created moral distress in our staff. However, the nature of this pulmonary case is complex, as family's presence was incredibly loving, gentle, and committed in ways that challenged our staff to redefine what quality of life means, and personally, challenged me as a chaplain to redefine what it means to be a parent.

PRESENTATION DESCRIPTIONS

Wednesday—May 24 (Continued)

10:45a INTEREST GROUP SESSION 2

Challenges of Cross-cultural Ministry with Spanish Speakers, Gordon Pugh

This presentation will examine important differences in generational and cultural communication styles among Spanish-speakers and will provide a framework for pastoral care to these children and their families. Spanish-speaking families are often ill-equipped to navigate the U.S. health-care system with its cultural, financial, linguistic, and spiritual peculiarities. The U.S. is second only to Mexico as the largest Spanish-speaking country in the world, and is the second most spoken language in the U.S. and in the world.

Sailing into Uncharted Territory, Super Technology for Super Special Needs, Lindy Holt

Do you have patients on the autism spectrum, who are non-verbal and wheel chair bound, with degenerative health issues, that are visually or hearing impaired, who have developmental and intellectual disabilities? Do you need help in finding creative ways to work with kids and their families? This workshop will help you to think outside of the box. It will give you some ideas for simple visual supports you can use with these kids. It will give you ideas of how to work with families who are often the specialists when it comes to their disabilities and challenges.

Coloring to Calm the Stormy Seas, Skye Murray & Adam Walker Cleaveland

In conjunction with Rev. Adam Walker Cleaveland (owner, illustrator) of Illustrated Children's Ministry (www.illustratedchildrensministry.com) we will engage in a group art coloring project as a form a self-care, as well as community building. We will also explore coloring resources that could be used as spiritual care interventions with patient, families and staff in the healthcare setting.

1p **PCN Annual Business Meeting**

Agenda to be posted the month before the conference

2:15p **Facing Fears and Freely Writing: A Journey From Compassion Fatigue to Joy, James Denham**

During the 2014 year at my hospital, I found myself in the midst of a dark time of compassion fatigue and burnout working in the Pediatric ICU at TCH. This presentation is the story of what practices I used to work through that journey: naming the fears as a new parent, blogging stories of my families and creative writing, gratitude, and most importantly, play, with both the toddlers/babies at the hospital and my toddler at home. In this session, I hope to share how to assess for compassion fatigue and also to name specific practices of play that have helped bring renewal and joy.

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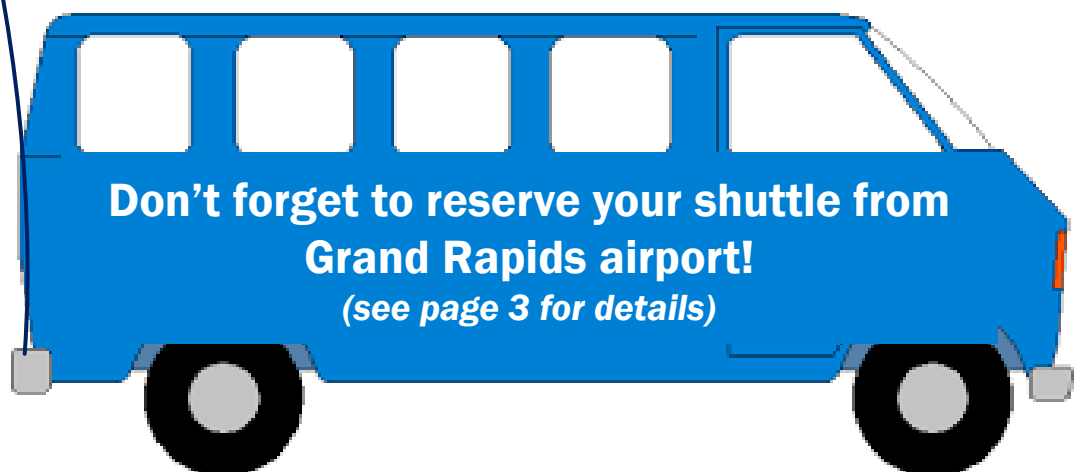
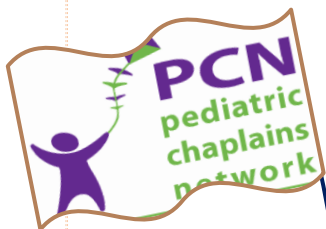
Wednesday—May 24 (Continued)

3:45p **Spiritual Care Resources Praxis**, Lindsay Bona & Lavender Kelley
This session will combine sharing of benchmark resources for staff care using a model that offers theological frameworks, experiential learning, and reflection. This time will also provide many take home resources for use in your institutions.

Evening **Applications in Self-Care**
Several programed options will be offered as well as freedom to choose what you need

Thursday—May 25

8:45a **Sailing Away: Synthesis and Ritualization of Experience**, Vance Goodman & Karen Geiger-Behm
Closing presentation bringing together the learning of the conference and offering an opportunity to experience that growth through ritual.



Special Offering!

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PCI PRE-CONFERENCE INTENSIVE COURSE

Packing For The Journey: Exploring & Honing Core Skills

You can take only so much as you pack to leave port. How do you know what you'll need for the journey? What will you do with excess baggage? Are you sure you know the right tools for the voyage?

Using the reflective, supervised group model of the **Pediatric Chaplains Institute**, attendees will experience a day long intensive training that picks up on the conference theme of *Setting Sail* and builds useful skills for attending chaplains.

Join us to learn more about

- ▶ The interplay between pastoral authority, gifts and skills;
- ▶ Processes to expand existing proficiencies;
- ▶ Assessment of the role of personal narrative in professional competencies

Chaplains will gain

- ▶ Strengthened understanding of origin of core skills
- ▶ Insight for continued growth in the profession
- ▶ Tools for applying ongoing learning with integrity
- ▶ Access to competency building exercises

**Seats are limited!
Register soon!**

FEES AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Fees

2017 Member of PCN

Includes conference fee, airport shuttle, most meals, and lodging

- \$450 for Single Occupancy
- \$350 for Double Occupancy

Not a Member of PCN

Includes conference fee, airport shuttle, most meals, and lodging

- \$500 for Single Occupancy
- \$400 for Double Occupancy

Commuter—Member and Not a Member of PCN

Includes conference fee and lunch

- \$250
(Or \$100 for a single day)

PCI Pre-Conference Intensive Course

May 22, 9am-4pm

Includes lodging and one meal

- \$250

Partner/Spouse of a Conference Attendee

Includes most meals and lodging, no conference presentations

- \$100 Double Occupancy only

SCHOLARSHIPS

A \$100 scholarship is available for a limited number of registrants who meet the following criteria:

1. Is a member of PCN for 2017.
2. Is employed as a chaplain in an institution serving a pediatric population or is a full-time CPE resident at an accredited ACPE center.
3. Receives no financial support from his/her employing institution, or from any other source, for participation in the PCN National Conference (for example, neither the employer nor a religious body pays any part of registration fees and travel expenses).

To apply for a scholarship, submit a statement attesting that you meet each of these three criteria via email to: mark.brown@stjude.org.

If you are applying for a scholarship, we suggest payment by check rather than via PayPal. Once you are notified that you will receive the scholarship, please finalize your registration by sending a check in the reduced amount: \$350 (single occupancy) or \$250 (double occupancy).

Application must be received by February 22, 2017, though scholarship funds may be exhausted prior to that date!