

TARGET AUDIENCE

This conference is appropriate and recommended for child life specialists, mental health professionals, play therapists, nurses, allied health professionals, students and anyone interested in psychosocial issues for children, adolescents and their families.

PURPOSE

The Mountain West Child Life Association (MWCLA) strives to enhance and promote the professional development of its members by providing educational and networking opportunities for child life professionals and programs. This September, conference participants will gather for educational opportunities, professional networking, and discussion of current child life issues.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Kathleen McCue, MA, LSW, CCLS has worked in pediatric health care for 43 years. She has published multiple articles and books on the needs of children in health care, and presented nationally and internationally on dying/death, trauma and compassion fatigue, child development, children's reactions to health care events and the profession of child life.



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3rd Biennial Mountain West Child Life
Association Conference

September 23 - 24, 2016

Denver Health - Rita Bass Trauma
and EMS Education Institute



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Online registration opens August 1.

Seating will be limited to the first
100 registrations. Please refrain
from bringing infants and children.

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, September 23, 2016

5:30pm Registration in “The Child Life Zone” at Denver Health

6:00pm **Child Life in Alternative Settings Panel.** 1PDU
Tommi McHugh, MA, CCLS
Director of Bereavement and Volunteer Services at Honor Hospice

Roni Vallejos, CCLS
Colorado Plains Child Life and Early Intervention, Bereavement Assistant at Lamar Area Hospice

Heather Hamilton, BA, CCLS
Family Services Manager Nebraska Organ Recovery

Sheri Brasher, MA, CCLS
Denver Family Crisis Center

Peggy D. Baikie, DNP, RN,
PNP-BC, NNP-BC
Denver Family Crisis Center

7:00pm Reception

Saturday, September 24, 2016

7:30am Registration and light breakfast

8:15am Opening Remarks

8:30am **Keynote Address**
Is It Ever Enough? Caring for Self While Caring for Children and Families. 3 PDUs
Kathleen McCue MA, LSW, CCLS

11:30am Lunch

Track A: Afternoon Intensive

1:00pm Children and Grief: How Worden’s
- 4:15pm Four Tasks of Mourning Guide our Practice. 3PDUs
Jennifer Kreimer, MS, CCLS, LPC, RPT

Track B Afternoon Sessions

1:00pm 1. Understanding and Working to
- 2:30pm Mitigate Toxic Stress and its Lifelong Consequences 1.5 PDUs
Sarah Enos Watamura, Ph.D.

2. Incorporating Child Life into Disaster Relief Services: A Qualitative Look at Role-Transferability, Motivations, Barriers, and Opportunities. 1.5 PDUs
Lindsey Murphy, Med, CCLS, CTS-C
Heather Storey, MS, CCLS

2:45pm 1. Outcomes of Simulator Use in
- 4:15pm Pediatric MRI. 1.5 PDUs
Amy LeRoy, CCLS

2. Understanding and Supporting Grieving Youth. 1.5 PDUs
Micki Burns, Ph.D.
Tracy Marrs, BS, CCLS

4:30pm Closing Remarks

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ACCOMMODATIONS

A block of rooms has been reserved for conference attendees at the

Marriott City Center
1701 California Street
Denver, CO 80202 USA

Mountain West Child Life Association Room
Block Rate: \$155/night

All reservations will **be made, modified or canceled by individuals** calling Marriott’s Reservations toll free number. When you call, tell the agent you would like to book a room using the Mountain West Child Life Association Conference Room Block. Reservations for all guests must be received on or before **Friday, August 19, 2016**. All reservations must be guaranteed with a major credit card. The hotel will not hold any reservations unless secured by credit card.

CONFERENCE INFORMATION

Denver Health – Rita Bass Trauma and EMS Education Institute

190 W 6th Ave, Denver, CO 80204

There is a small surface lot that is attached to the building where you are welcome to park.