Hope and Healing: Clinical and Spiritual Encounters with Older Adults

Saturday, May 14, 2011 | 9:00 am–4:30 pm at MSPP

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This full-day conference will bring together experts in the fields of spirituality, mental health and gerontology. We will focus on the therapeutic impact of one's spiritual life when integrated with clinical work as this relates to the aging process and mental health and illness.

Overarching questions to be addressed include:

- How might the experience of the frequent and expectable challenges in later life be shaped by one’s spirituality or religious practice?
- How might this inform the existential issue of facing life’s end, whether through a known life threatening illness or the experience of having reached advanced old age?
- How might the individual’s unique spiritual history guide mental health clinicians in their work with older adults?
- When is spirituality an ally? When is it a core conflict?

In the morning this conference will elucidate an integration of clinical and spiritual perspectives on treatment through the following: a keynote presentation; a case presentation and discussion from clinical and spiritual perspectives; and a multi-disciplinary panel discussion. The afternoon workshop will address competence training to work with older adults and psycho-spiritual issues. Attendees will be encouraged to actively participate in this conference. There will be ample opportunity for creative interaction and group discussion.

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