

Target Audience: Native American clinicians and service providers who care for Native Americans and members of all Native American tribes within the Southeast United States.



# CONNECTING HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS AND THE COMMUNITY TO IMPROVE HEALTH DISPARITIES FOR NATIVE AMERICANS



Thursday and Friday, March 25-26, 2010  
Pearl River Resort • 13541 Highway 16W • Philadelphia MS 39350

### CONFERENCE GOAL

To address HIV and other health disparities by establishing a dialogue between healthcare providers and the community to improve health outcomes for Native Americans

### DINNER PROGRAM THURSDAY MARCH 25

4:00-5:00 Registration  
5:00-5:45 Opening Ceremony  
5:45-6:15 Dinner Provided

### CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES

- To discuss how spiritual/traditional healing and western medicine intersect
- To discuss the impact of HIV on cultural and clinical issues affecting Native Americans

6:15-7:30 **PANEL DISCUSSION: The Intersection of Spiritual/Traditional Healing and Western Medicine**

Moderator: Denise John, RN, BSN (Choctaw). Panel: All Breakout Session Speakers

### TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are available for Native American participants or providers serving Native Americans. Registration by 2/26 required. Contact Samantha Euraque at 504-903-6792.

### CONFERENCE FRIDAY MARCH 26

8:00-8:45 Sign-in/Continental Breakfast  
8:45-9:20 Invocation

### CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES

- To discuss cultural practices/beliefs that pose potential barriers to care for Native Americans
- To explore the role of the medicine wheel and its implications in the care of Native Americans

### CLINICAL TRACK

9:20-10:15 Diabetes and HIV: Treatment and Medication  
*Victoria Oxendine, NP (Lumbree)*

10:15-11:20 Depression/Suicide:  
Treatment and HIV Contraindications  
*J. Vincent Kirk, DO (Cherokee)*

11:20-11:35 Break

11:35-12:30 Addiction: Street Drugs and HIV Medications  
*Ronald D. Wilcox, MD*

### SERVICE PROVIDER TRACK

Diabetes and HIV: Nutrition and Adherence  
*Christine Ward, NP*

Depression/Suicide:  
Signs and the Role of HIV Medications  
*Janice Lambert, LCSW, P-LCAS (Shawnee)*

Break

Addiction and HIV: Management and Resources  
*Patty Grant, LCSW (Cherokee)*

12:30-1:30 Lunch provided

1:30-2:45 **PLENARY: Cultural Competency and Stigma/Medicine Wheel** *Ron Lessard (Mohawk/Abenaki)*

2:45-3:15 Closing Ceremony

3:15-3:30 Evaluation Period

Attendees must attend entire program to receive continuing education credit.

**PHYSICIANS:** Application for CME credit has been filed with the American Academy of Family Physicians. Determination of credit is pending.

**NURSES:** Contact hours pending approval by the Louisiana State Nurses Association (LSNA), an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's COA.

**SOCIAL WORKERS:** This program is pending approval for contact hours of continuing education credit by the National Association of Social Workers, Louisiana Chapter as authorized by the Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners.

**HOTEL:** Silver Star hotel reservations can be made by calling 1-866-44-PEARL and using group code GLSU311 to receive the negotiated rate of \$79. The deadline to complete hotel reservations at the negotiated rate is 12 AM, March 4, 2010. No cancellations less than 24 hours prior to arrival. Pearl River Resort is a smoking facility.

**TRAVEL:** Two airports are located near the Pearl River Resort. Meridian Airport is 40 miles away and Jackson Airport is 95 miles away. If traveling from outside Mississippi, a car rental from either airport will be necessary to arrive at the hotel. For further info, contact Samantha Euraque at 504-903-6792 or Derrick Newby at 870-556-0559.

Please register by March 12. Fax this form to Danielle Pierce at 504-903-7186 or mail to 136 S. Roman St., 2nd Floor, New Orleans LA 70112

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