Addressing VICARIOUS TRAUMA in the Criminal Justice Community

A Forensic Fridays Seminar

Friday, JANUARY 25
8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Africa Room, Duquesne University
and ONLINE via LIVE videostream

Program Agenda

8:30 a.m.  Welcome and Introductions  Benjamin E. Wecht, M.A.
8:45 a.m.  The Neuroscience of Vicarious Trauma  Lisa Lopez Levers, Ph.D., LPCC-S
Professor of Counselor Education and Human Development, Duquesne University
9:30 a.m.  Clinical Treatment of Vicarious Trauma  L. Kathleen Sekula, Ph.D., APRN
Professor of Forensic Nursing, Duquesne University
10:15 a.m.  Break
10:30 a.m.  Understanding “Compassion Fatigue”  Sheli Bernstein-Goff, MSW, LCSW
Associate Professor of Social Work, University of Rio Grande and Rio Grande Community College
11:15 a.m.  Panel Discussion: Spiritual Strategies for Addressing Vicarious Trauma  Moderator: TBA
Panelists: Rev. Paul Abernathy
Director, FOCUS Pittsburgh
Father William H. Christy
University Chaplain, Duquesne University
Rabbi James A. Gibson
Senior Rabbi, Temple Sinai
12:15 p.m.  Lunch Break
1:00 p.m.  Developing the Pittsburgh Member Assistance Program: A Personal and Professional Story  Carla Kearns
Detective, Pittsburgh Bureau of Police
1:45 p.m.  The Impact of Trauma on First Responders and the People they Love  Sheila G. Roth, Ph.D., MSW
Professor of Social Work, Carlow University
2:30 p.m.  Break
2:45 p.m.  Panel Discussion: Toward an Interdisciplinary Approach to Addressing Vicarious Trauma  Moderator: Pamela Marshall, Ph.D.
Director and Associate Professor, Master of Forensic Science and Law, Duquesne University
Panelists: Preceding Presenters
4:00 p.m.  Adjournment