

About the Conference

The 10th Annual County of Los Angeles Multicultural Conference addresses issues of cultural competency in a changing and increasingly diverse society. The workshops are designed to develop and enhance cultural competency for individuals and organizations.

If you have questions about this conference please visit <http://www.lacmc.net> or contact:

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Continuing Education Information

Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health is approved as a continuing education provider by the following:

*California Board of Behavioral Sciences (Provider #PCE278) for Licensed Clinical Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists

*California Board of Registered Nursing (Provider #CEP5990) for Registered Nurses, Licensed Vocational Nurses and Licensed Psychiatric Technicians

*California Associate of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors.

Each discipline will be eligible to receive up to 6.0 units of continuing education.

NO PREPARATION IS REQUIRED FOR THIS TRAINING CONFERENCE

Public Transportation Information

MTA website <http://www.mta.net/default.asp>
MTA Phone 1-800-COMMUTE (266.6883)

ACCESS website <http://www.asila.org/>
ACCESS Phone 1-800-883-1295 (Reservations)
ACCESS Transportation 1-800-827-0829 (Public Information)

Metro-Link Trains <http://www.metrolinktrains.com/>
Metro-link Phone 1-800-371-LINK(5465)

Hotel Reservations

This Conference will be held on May 15, 2008, at the Hilton Los Angeles/Universal City, located at 555 Universal Hollywood Drive, Universal City, CA 91608. Please contact the Hilton at 818.506.2500 for accommodations.

Universal Hilton parking \$8.00

Reasonable Accommodations

If you require a reasonable accommodation, such as, sign language interpreters, assisted listening devices, or materials in an alternative format, please call at least seven days prior to the event at (213) 251-6865.

County of Los Angeles
Department of Mental Health
550 South Vermont Avenue, 12th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90020



Tenth Annual
Multicultural Conference

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Thursday, May 15, 2008



Hilton Los Angeles/Universal City
555 Universal Hollywood Drive
Universal City, California 91608

Endorsed by
The Los Angeles County
Board of Supervisors

CONFERENCE AGENDA

Thursday, May 15, 2008

- 7 a.m.-10 a.m. Registration & Continental Breakfast
- 8 a.m.-8:45 a.m. Welcome Address:
Robin S. Toma, Master of Ceremony
Director, *Human Relations Commission*
Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
(Invited)
Dr. Marvin J. Southard, Director
Department of Mental Health
Philip Browning, Director
Department of Public Social Services
John S. Fernandes, Director
Department of Ombudsman
Russ Guiney, Director
Department of Parks and Recreation
Pastor Herrera Jr., Director
Department of Consumer Affairs
- 8:45 a.m.-10:15 a.m. MORNING PLENARY SPEAKER:
Joy DeGruy-Leary, Ph.D.
Portland State University
- 10:15-10:30 a.m. NETWORKING

Morning Workshops

10:30 a.m. - Noon

- Session 1 Faces of Prejudice (and) Facilitating Difficult Dialogues
Cherylynn Sara Hoff
- Session 2 Workplace Bullying: In Search of a Little Respect
Terrance J. Wolfe
- Session 3 The Best Seat in the House: Living and Thriving with a Disability
Allen Rucker
- Session 4 Thriving in a Changing Work Environment
Debra Williams
- Session 5 Economics, Race & Community Resources
John Kim
- Session 6 Best Practices in Organizational Development and Diversity Initiatives in the County of Los Angeles
Flora Rostamian and Madeline Roachell
- Session 7 The White Person: Another Look at this Piece of the Multicultural Puzzle
Peter Bechtel & Lisa Ransdell
- Session 8 The Forgotten History of Chinese Americans in Southern California
Icy Smith
- Session 9 Inclusivity: Going Beyond Diversity
Deborah Deras

Luncheon & Awards

Noon - 1:00 p.m.

- 1 p.m.-2:45 p.m. AFTERNOON PLENARY SPEAKER:
Denise Bissonnette
Diversity World
- 2:45 p.m.-3 p.m. NETWORKING

Afternoon Workshops

3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

- Session 10 Creating an Inclusive Workplace
Denise Bissonnette
- Session 11 The Bamboo Ceiling: Understanding and Overcoming Career Advancement Challenges Among Asian-Americans
Patricia Denise Lopez, Ph.D.
- Session 12 Civic Organizing: Collaborative Leadership Strategies for Effectively Engaging Communities in Problem-Solving Partnerships with Local Government
Anthony Massengale
- Session 13 Compassion Plays-Horizon Line "Live Performance"
ENCOMPASS-Ben Wright
- Session 14 Celebrating Asian Pacific American Heritage Month
Vanessa Puniak
- Session 15 Generation Differences X-Y-Z
Tisa Jackson
- Session 16 Transgender Issues in the American Workplace
Mark Abelsson
- Session 17 Workplace Respect: The Power of Recognition
Douglas Bender
- Session 18 Insights into Cultural Diversity
Ida Greene, Ph.D.

Closing Reception

4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

RAFFLE

Closing Remarks:

- William T Fujioka, Chief Executive Officer
CEO, Los Angeles County
- John Hill, Chief of Staff
Supervisor Yvonne Burke
Second District

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

REGISTRATION DEADLINE MONDAY, MAY 12, 2008

Name _____

Agency/Company _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Job Title _____

County Employees

Employee # _____

Department Name _____

Department # _____

CEU Information

Last 4 digits of Social Security # _____

Registration Fees by May 9, 2008 are \$90 per person, which includes continental breakfast and lunch. Registration Fees after May 9, 2008 are \$100. **REGISTRATION FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE.** Registrations will not be accepted without full payment. There will be a \$25 processing fee for all returned checks. Early registration is encouraged.

**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
LOS ANGELES COUNTY**

Send Checks and Registration Forms to:
Multicultural Conference
Attention: ANGEL BAKER
550 South Vermont Avenue, 12th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90020

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT
THE MULTICULTURAL CONFERENCE?

- General E-mail
 Supervisor/Manager
 Save-the-Date Flyer
 Website
 Past Attendee
 Other _____