

Building Bridges to Increase Efficacy: An Ethics Workshop on Respecting Religious and Sexual/Gender Orientation Differences

Saturday, March 16, 2013 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

University of Utah School of Social Work Conference Center
395 South 1500 East, Salt Lake City, UT. 84112 [map](#)

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Registration Information

*Breakfast refreshments
& lunch are included*

- \$110 – **Early Bird Special:**
Must be received by 2/15/13
- \$70 – **Member Early Bird Special:**
Discount for dues-paying members of the LGBTQ-Affirmative Therapists Guild Must be received by 2/15/13
Membership in the Guild starts at \$25 per year.
- \$125 – Must be received between 2/16/13 and 3/15/13
- \$150 – Walk-in/day of workshop
- \$40 – Students & Non-clinical service providers within helping non-professional organizations: must be paid by 3/8/13

To register [click here](#) or go to:
www.lgbtqtherapists.com

6 ethics CEUs are pending approval by NASW and UPA

For Questions please contact:
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About This Workshop

This daylong gathering is an opportunity for people from diverse and even conflicting perspectives to learn from each other regarding how ethically to help those who are distressed about their sexual orientation and religion. Rather than continuing the polarization and debates that have typically represented these discussions, and thus miss out on important information, this workshop hopes to develop enough safety and understanding to increase participants' multicultural competence (e.g., awareness, knowledge, and skills). Ethical principles, such as diversity, social justice, self-determination, and competence, will be discussed throughout.

Representatives from local organizations that approach these issues from a full range of perspectives will be invited to this workshop. The morning session will establish mutual safety guidelines, ask organizations/participants to identify their respective views of the distress, and then develop a collective and deeper understanding of how to resolve the distress of those in conflict. The afternoon session will include a fishbowl-structured forum to understand participants' divergent viewpoints.

Skills on how to respond assertively - with compassion - to intra- and interpersonal conflicts will be highlighted.

Participants who do not provide services to this population may gain knowledge, skills, and awareness that transfer to providing multicultural care to other areas of diversity.

This workshop will be facilitated by **Lee Beckstead, PhD & Jim Struve, LCSW**

- **Lee Beckstead, PhD**, psychologist, has researched and written peer-reviewed studies and articles on resolving sexual orientation, religious, and social conflicts. He was a member of the APA's task force on recommending interventions for those desiring to change their sexual orientation.
- **Jim Struve, LCSW**, clinical social worker, is a founding member and – since 2004 – the Coordinator for the LGBTQ-Affirmative Psychotherapist Guild of Utah. He maintains a private clinical practice in Salt Lake City.

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