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PLEASE POST

Legal & Ethical Issues in Mental Health Practice

Friday, January 30, 2009
9:00 AM–4:30 PM

INSTRUCTOR
Nancy Wheeler, JD

**Approval Pending & Expected
for LSW, LMFT, & LPC
Continuing Education Credits (6 hr.)**

Certificate of Attendance Included

**Meets requirement for LSW, LMFT, & LPC
license renewal — Deadline Feb. 2008**

**Many insurance companies give a discount
for taking this type of course.**

This informative and lively workshop with Anne Marie “Nancy” Wheeler, J.D. will include theory, case examples, and small group discussions of realistic vignettes. Nancy will provide practical suggestions to reduce the risk of liability, and there will be ample time for questions and answers. Some of the scenarios that Nancy presents (de-identified to preserve privacy) have led to lawsuits and licensure board complaints against a variety of mental health professionals.

This seminar will address: confidentiality, privilege and privacy issues – including when HIPAA applies and when it doesn’t; documentation & record keeping; subpoenas; dealing with schools and institutional policies; confidentiality when seeing multiple family members – adults, couples, teens and children including play therapy; boundary issues including dual relationships; reporting duties and duty to warn/protect; and supervisory relationships.

Highlights:

- Attention to the warning signs to prevent potential liability and sanctions by one’s licensure board
- An ethical decision making model for participants to use when the small groups discuss real ethical vignettes
- Attention to Documentation and Record Keeping concerns and practical steps to take when faced with complaints
- Where relevant, multi-cultural issues will be highlighted
- A copy of the Power Point Presentation will be provided to reduce note taking

Instructor: Anne Marie “Nancy” Wheeler J.D., co-author of the very readable book, *The Counselor and the Law*. Nancy is an attorney who coordinates the risk management helpline for the ACA Insurance Trust Inc. and a consultation plan for members of the American Psychiatric Association. She has had extensive experience in managed care contracting, licensure and health care privacy issues, including “HIPAA.” Nancy presents nationally and also serves as an affiliate faculty member at Loyola College. Nancy has delivered hundreds of presentations to mental health practitioners and greatly enjoys presenting the material.

Please call us at 215-844-4321 ext. 1 to register for this workshop. We are able to accept Visa and MasterCard.

FEE

\$160 if registered by Monday, January 5, 2008
\$185 if registered after January 5, 2008

DEPOSIT

\$85 due with registration by Jan. 5
\$110 due with registration after Jan. 5

PAYMENTS Balance due on the day of the event