

STSW CONFERENCE

 **30TH**
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COLUMBUS



OCTOBER 7-9, 2015
HILTON EASTON | COLUMBUS, OHIO

SETTING NEW STANDARDS
AND MAKING A DIFFERENCE



Welcome

Please join us for the 30th annual International Society for Transplant Social Workers Conference and experience one of the most cultural diverse cities. We encourage you to arrive early and/or stay after to enjoy the surrounding outdoor shopping center, delicious dining options, and entertainment venues... all within walking distance of the hotel. Other well-known attractions, such as the Columbus Zoo developed by our own Jack Hanna, Franklin County Conservatory, the Short North Arts District, and Ohio Amish Country, are just a few of our many attractions.

Accommodations

This year's conference will be held at the beautiful Hilton Easton in Columbus, Ohio. The hotel is surrounded by an outdoor shopping center, delicious dining options, and entertainment venues...all within walking distance! There is also a trolley for Easton Town Center visitors to use as transportation around the outdoor area. To check out what entertainment Easton Town Center has to offer, click [HERE](#) to visit the website for additional information.

The hotel is offering a discounted rate, but there are a limited number of rooms available and we do encourage you to book as soon as possible. These discounted rates are only available until September 14th. If you are planning to travel to Columbus early or stay late to enjoy the area, the Hilton Easton is allowing the discounted rates to be extended for a few days before and after the conference dates. Click [HERE](#) to make a hotel reservation now!

Program Highlights

This year, the conference is hosted by several of Ohio's top rated transplant centers. The program design focuses on offering a multi-faceted approach for all transplant professionals. The keynote presentation features a kidney/pancreas recipient and his journey as a pre- and post-transplant patient. He will share a video documenting his story, as well as the impact his transplant had on his caregivers, family, and the donor's family. In addition, we are excited to be offering an educational session focused on the ethical dilemma regarding death row donation, which will be given by OSU's Comprehensive Transplant Director. Other donation topics that will be explored will be paired kidney donor exchange programs and ethical considerations of altruistic kidney donation. For the first time, we will be featuring an educational panel presentation focused on fundraising for transplant patients, which will be given by Rick Lofgren (COTA CEO), David Bakelman (HelpHOPELive CEO), Connie Gonitzke (NFT CEO) and Laurie McDonald (past STSW president). They will share their expertise on strategies and approaches in helping transplant patients fundraise. Meanwhile, there will be many other exciting topics regarding pediatric transplant, mental health, AOD, and cardio-thoracic transplant. Lastly, we will wrap up the 2015 conference with a motivational presentation educating us on the importance on how laughing matters.



Networking/Socializing

We will kick off our conference with a welcome reception and poster session the night before the conference officially begins. Posters will highlight research conducted by some of our STSW members and other transplant colleagues. Enjoy appetizers, drinks and casual conversation before the start of our conference.

There will be lots of opportunities for you to network throughout the three day conference—during meals, breaks and in the evenings. The first night is our annual celebration. This opportunity for informal learning is consistently rated as one of the most valuable aspects of the STSW conference. The next night, there are a variety of restaurants to choose from to dine at as a group.

Annual Celebration

On the first night of the conference we have a great opportunity planned for attendees to enjoy a menu chosen specifically by the hotel's executive chef and a chance to network with STSW colleagues. The celebration will begin at 6:00pm with a fun-filled night of music, entertainment, and a chance to try out your skills at the casino tables. Relax, enjoy the food, and mingle with colleagues while you play blackjack, roulette or Texas Holdem.

Parking & Transportation

The Hilton Easton offers free self-parking to guests in a convenient lot located right outside of the hotel. There is also an option of valet parking that costs \$14.00.

The Port Columbus International Airport is located a short distance from the Hilton Easton. There is a courtesy shuttle that travels round-trip from Hilton Easton to Port Columbus International Airport. The service is available from 6:00 am until 10:30 pm. The estimated cost of a taxi ride from Port Columbus International Airport to Hilton Easton is \$25.00.

Travel & Tourism

Columbus is the capital and the largest city of Ohio. It's also the 15th largest city of the United States. Professional sporting events, museums, dining, shopping, parks—you name it, we've got it! Check out everything Columbus has to offer at Experience Columbus by clicking [HERE](#).

Also, if you haven't already seen our video highlighting Columbus and how excited we are to host this year, watch it by clicking [HERE](#).



Registration

The conference registration has begun. For those of you planning ahead and trying to secure funding for the conference, the registration fee is \$400 for STSW members and \$550 for non-members. The one day rate (excluding annual celebration attendance) is \$175 and the student rate (including annual celebration attendance) is \$325.

Scholarships

There are a limited number of scholarships offered each year to STSW members who are attending the conference. The scholarship will cover the cost of the conference registration fee. Those who are accepted as scholarship recipients will be scheduled to help as a moderator during the conference. For a brief summary of the scholarship information, click [HERE](#). To download the scholarship application, click [HERE](#). The deadline to submit a scholarship application is June 19, 2015.

Questions or Concerns

Please contact any of the Columbus chair members if you have questions or concerns. You may also find additional information on the STSW website by clicking [HERE](#) or feel free to email at conference@stsw.org.

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Conference Agenda

Welcome — Tuesday, October 6th, 2015

8:00–9:00am	STSW Board Registration
9:00–10:00	STSW Board Retreat Part 1
10:00–10:30	Break (Snacks/Coffee)
10:30–11:30	STSW Board Retreat Part 2
11:30–12:30	STSW Board Meeting Lunch
12:30–3:00	STSW Board Retreat Part 3
3:00–5:30	General Registration
4:00–5:30	STSW Board Meeting
6:00–8:00	Welcome Reception Poster Session <i>Hosted by Walgreen's</i>

Day One — Wednesday, October 7th, 2015

7:45–8:00am	Welcome Opening
8:00–8:15	COTA Present
8:15–9:15	Keynote Address: How an Organ Transplant Changed My Life <i>—John Faherty, BS</i>
9:15–9:45	Break (snacks & exhibitor mingling)
9:45–10:45	Ethics of Death Row Donation —Dr. Elmahdi Elkhammas, M.D.
10:50–11:50	Disenfranchised Grief in Organ Donation and Transplantation: A Social Worker's Dilemma —Elissa Berman, LPCC-S*
11:55–1:25	Lunch—Genentech Transplant Access Services Overview
1:30–2:30	Breakout Session 1
	A) Caring for the Hispanic-Latino Patient — <i>Dr. Alejandro Diez, M.D., FASN</i>
	B) Pre Transplant Expectations, Post-Transplant Realities — <i>Shawn Spence, MSW, LISW; Staci Carter, R.N.; Jody Knisley, NP; Dr. Ellin Gafford, M.D.</i>
	C) Pediatric Transplant Assessment Tool — <i>Molly Dugan, LCSW, CCTSW*</i>
	D) Beyond the Pathophysiology of Advanced Heart Failure Therapies: The Role of Psychosocial Assessments in Optimizing Outcomes — <i>Dr. Sitaramesh Emani, M.D.</i>



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Day One, continued

- 2:30–3:00 Break (snacks & exhibitor mingling)
- 3:00–4:00 **Breakout Session 2**
- A) **The Journey of Transitioning Patients from Pediatric to Adult Care**—Sarah Tornichio, MSW, LISW; Dr. Amy Kogon, M.D.; Dr. Alejandro Diez, M.D., FASN
 - B) **Strategies in Kidney Paired Exchange Programs**—Dr. Todd Pesavento, M.D.
 - C) **Addressing Psychosocial Risk Factors in Transplantation**—Dr. Kristin Kuntz, Ph.D.*
 - D) **Preparedness: Planning for the Journey of LVAD and Heart Transplant**—Laura Newman, MSW, LISW-S
- 4:05–5:05 **Breakout Session 3**
- A) **Confidentiality and Advocacy: Navigating Ethical Dilemmas in Transplant Care between Hospital and Third Party Social Worker**—Talia Giordano, MSW, LSW*
 - B) **Workshop for the New Transplant Social Worker: Helpful Tools and Techniques**—Kay Kendall, MSW, LISW, CCTSW*
Extended session
 - C) **Fundraising for Transplant: Strategies, Tips, and Tried & True Approaches for Professionals**—Rick Lofgren, CFRE, MBA, MSA; David Bakelman; Connie Gonitzke, CFRE; Laurie McDonald, LCSW, CCTSW
 - D) **Ethical Considerations in Altruistic Kidney Donation** — Dr. Todd Pesavento, M.D.
- 6:00–9:30 *STSW Celebration*

Day Two — Thursday, October 8th, 2015

- 6:15–7:45 Breakfast
- 7:45–8:00 Opening Remarks
- 8:00–8:15 HHL Present
- 8:15–9:45 **Recognition and Management of Addictive Disease and Co-Occurring Pain Disorders**—Dr. Richard Whitney, M.D.
- 9:45–10:15 Break (snacks & exhibitor mingling)
- 10:15–11:15 **The Changing Face of Living Organ Donation: Legal and Ethical Considerations**—Sigrid Fry-Revere, J.D., Ph.D.



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Day Two — continued

- 11:20–12:20 **Breakout Session 1**
- A) **Social Work Collaboration: A Powerful Vehicle to Enhance Care for ESRD Patients**—*Colleen Satarino, LMSW, CCTSW; Noelle Dimitri, LICSW, CCTSW**
 - B) **The New Kidney Allocation System: An Overview of Current Listing, Allocation and Distribution Practices**—*Chrystal Oley, BS*
 - C) **Adherence and Challenges in Pediatric Lung Transplant**—*Dr. Marc Schechter, M.D.*
 - D) **Post-Transplant Psychosocial Case Studies: A Doctor's Perspective**—*Dr. Elizabeth Davies, MBA, M.D.*
- 12:20–1:50 Lunch Business Meeting
- 1:55–2:55 **Breakout Session 2**
- A) **What are Your Obligations to Living Organ Donors?**—*Sigrid Fry-Revere, J.D., Ph.D.*
 - B) **Mentoring Programs: The Path to a Stronger Transplant Social Work Practice**—*Patricia Dennis, LCSW; Deborah Evans, LCSW, CCTSW; Anne LaFleur, LICSW, CCTSW; Darshit Bakhai, LMSW **
 - C) **We Can, But Should We? Treatment Decisions in Pediatric Renal Transplantation**—*Andrew Mantulak, MSW, Ph.D., RSW**
 - D) **Nutrition, Liver Transplants, and Social Workers—All You Need to Know!**—*Monica Schaefer, MS, RD, LD, CNSC*
- 3:00–4:00 **Breakout Session 3**
- A) **Transplant Road Not Taken: An Ethical Review of the Life of Baby Z**—*Cindy deSa, MPH, MSW, LCSW**
 - B) **Total Pancreatectomy and Autologous Islet Transplantation as an Effective Treatment for Chronic Pancreatitis**—*Jill Buss, BA*
 - C) **Transplant Support Groups: Their Impact on Patients and Influence on Practice—How to Implement and Sustain Transplant Groups**—*Karen Tanklow, MSW, LICSW; Anne LaFleur, LICSW, CCTSW**
 - D) **Body Image Assessment for the LVAD Patient**—*Elizabeth Mosele, LCSW, CCTSW*
- 4:00–4:30 Break (Novartis Exhibitor Showcase: Transplant Games of America 2016 Presentation)
- 4:30–5:30 **Breakout Session 4**
- A) **They Wear Their Heart on Their Back? A Look into Psychosocial Implications on Adolescents with Left Ventricular Assist Devices**—*Michelle Corf, LCSW**
 - B) **Transplanting Undocumented Immigrant Children in California**—*Lauren Schmidt, LCSW, CCTSW; Sarah McElvaine, MSW**
 - C) **Medication Access Post Transplant: Issues, Barriers, and Advocacy**—*Stacy Morton, LSW; Krista Thomas, CPHT; Michelle Bradley, PharmD*
 - D) **The Caregiver Interview for LVAD Patients and Families**—*Elizaeth Mosele, LCSW, CCTSW, Alice Chang, LICSW, CCTSW*



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Day Three — Friday, October 9th, 2015

- 6:15–7:45 Breakfast
- 7:45–8:00 Closing Remarks
- 8:00–8:15 Astellas Present
- 8:15–9:15 **Laughing Matters**—*Dr. Kay Potetz, MBA, Ph.D.*
- 9:15–9:30 Break
- 9:30–10:30 **Breakout Session 1**
- A) **Motivational Interviewing with Clients**—*Jennifer Haywood, LISW-S, LICDC-CS*
 - B) **Emotional Dimensions of Chronic Illness**—*Mary Beth Callahan, ACSW/LCSW*
 - C) **When Social Media Challenges Confidentiality: A Collaborative Approach to Support Transplant Recipients and Donor Families**—*Lara Moretti, LSW, CT; Rebecca Simon, LMSW**
 - D) **A Clinical Practice Model for Team Decision-Making**—*Beth Hyland, MSW, LISW-S, CCTSW**
- 10:35–11:35 **Breakout Session 2**
- A) **A Psychosocial Analysis of Living Donation: A Tale of Two Organs (Liver and Kidney)**—*Sheila Bullock, MSW*
 - B) **What If We Transplant Alcoholic Hepatitis Patients Sooner? Our Outcomes and the OSOTC Guidelines**—*Annette Humberson, LISW-S, CCTSW**
 - C) **Understanding and Respecting Cultural Traditions: Keys to Building Trust and Rapport while Avoiding Potential Cultural Biases with Patients of Middle-Eastern Descent**—*Kristina Teran, LCSW-BACS, CCTSW**
 - D) **Addressing Factors Contributing to Compassion Fatigue and Burnout: The Stress Trauma and Resilience (STAR) Approach**—*Dr. Kenneth Yeager, Ph.D., LISW, ICDC*
- 11:35–12:00 Pick Up CEU Certificates. Turn in evaluation form. Conference adjourns.

