



34th annual
STSW2019
conference



Denver, Colorado

October 15-17 | Denver Marriott Tech Center





Welcome!

We invite you to attend the 34th Annual Society for Transplant Social Workers Conference in Denver, Colorado and explore everything that the Mile High City has to offer.

As we embark on year 2020, the theme of this year's conference is "A Decade of Diversity in Transplant!" Prepare to embrace the challenges we experience with diverse populations and learn more about how we can better meet the needs of patients and their supports. We will discuss many of the ethical issues and unique situations of our ever changing patient population and healthcare network.



The Mile High City

Denver is known as the mile high city, because the official elevation is exactly one mile (5280 ft) above sea level. It is the most populous city in Colorado (and 19th-most populous U.S. city), located in the South Platte River Valley, east of the Front Range of the Rocky Mountains, and west of the High Plains. Because of its location, Denver offers a diverse landscape. There are many activities to explore while you are in town, such as the Red Rocks, Garden of the Gods, Rocky Mountain National Park, Denver Botanic Gardens or a sports game at Mile High Stadium, Coors Field.



ACCOMODATIONS

DENVER MARRIOTT TECH CENTER

The Marriott is a beautifully redesigned hotel brimming with amenities. It has easy light rail access and is a short drive from attractions including the Fiddler's Green Amphitheater, Denver Botanic Gardens, and Landmark Theater. You can use the light rail to take you into the heart of downtown Denver. Feel welcomed the moment you walk into the lobby with the warm, friendly service that has earned a coveted TripAdvisor Certificate of Excellence. Stunningly appointed hotel rooms and suites await you, showcasing luxurious bedding, marble bathrooms and ergonomic work areas. Enjoy a workout in the fitness center or take a dip in the indoor or outdoor pool. Conference participants will appreciate the 50,000 square feet of newly transformed venue space and the planning and catering services. Discover the Denver Marriott Tech Center.



Conference Tips & Facts

Date of Conference:

October 14, 2019: Pre-Conference
October 15-17, 2019: Conference



Location:

Denver Marriott Tech Center
4900 South Syracuse Street, Denver, CO 80237



Attire/Dress:

Business Casual

Transportation Information:

Denver International Airport (DIA)
8500 Peña Blvd, Denver, CO 80249



Transportation Options:

- Uber/Lyft approx. \$31-\$35
- Car Rental
- Light Rail Transportation:
Cost: \$10.50



Easiest Route: Take A Line towards Union Station, get off at Peoria Station and transfer to the R Line towards Lincoln Station, get off at Belleview Station, walk about 6 minutes (.3 miles) to Denver Marriott Tech Center.

Registration Fees:

Pre-conference workshop, STSW members \$100
Pre-conference workshop, non-members \$150
Conference registration, STSW members \$450
Conference registration, non-members \$650
Combined STSW membership and conference registration \$550
Student enrolled in an approved MSW program \$350
One day conference rate : members \$200 ; non-members \$225



Full refund of registration fee until 9/9/2019 ; Late registration fee \$50.00 after 9/16/2019



KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dr. Nita Mosby Tyler



The Denver planning committee is pleased to announce that Dr. Nita Mosby Tyler will be the key note speaker on Tuesday, October 15, 2019. The theme of our conference is “A Decade of Diversity in Transplant”. Dr. Nita Mosby Tyler is the Chief Catalyst and Founder of The Equity Project, LLC – an organization designed to support organizations and communities in building diversity, equity and inclusion strategies. (see <https://theequityprojectllc.com/index.php/nita-mosby-tyler-diversity-inclusivity-consultant-denver/>) She is the former Senior Vice President and Chief Inclusion Officer for Children’s Hospital Colorado – the first African American woman to hold that position in the organization’s 100+ year history. She is also the former Executive Director of the Office of Human Resources for the City and County of Denver – the first African American woman to hold that position in the 63+ year history of the agency. Dr. Mosby Tyler, a consultant accredited by the Georgetown University National Center for Cultural Competence, is nationally recognized for her equity work with non-profit, community, government and for-profit organizations. In her work, Dr. Mosby Tyler specializes in the development and delivery of leadership, equity, diversity, cultural responsiveness and inclusiveness training programs and strategies. We are pleased that Dr. Mosby Tyler will be joining us as our opening speaker at the 34th annual STSW conference.

Pre-Conference

Monday 10/14
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11:30am - 1:00pm

Pre-Conference
Registration

1:00pm - 3:00pm

Pre-Conference Workshop:
Creating Welcoming
Environments for LGBTQ Patients -
Johnny Humphrey, MBA
Director of Inclusivity Services (E*)

3:15pm - 4:45pm

Pre-Conference Workshop:
Another Face in the Crowd -
Andy Sandness,
Partial Face Transplant Recipient
Danielle Reuss, LICSW, MSW-
VCA Social Worker Mayo Clinic

2:00pm - 6:00pm

Conference Registration

5:00pm - 6:30pm

STSW Board Meeting

6:30pm - 8:00pm

Poster Session
Meet and Greet

Day 1

Tuesday 10/15

Registration Key: *Ethics (Pending NASW approval)
 LD (Living Donor) Ped (Pediatric) MCS (LVAD) H (Heart)
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7:45am - 8:00am

Welcome Announcements

8:00am - 8:15am

Exhibitor Presentation

8:15am - 9:15am

General Session

- Opening Keynote: Equity: It's an Inside-Out Job (E*) - Dr. Nita Mosby, Chief Catalyst and Founder of the Equity Project, LLC

9:30am - 10:30am

Breakout Sessions

- Closing the "Growing-up Gap": Transitioning Pediatric Heart Transplant Patients to Adult Transplant Centers (H, Ped) - Natasha Deal, MSW, LCSW; Kathryn Williams, LCSW
- Financial Planning for Transplant Social Workers (ALL) - Pat Dennis, LCSW, CCTSW, CCSW-MCS; Alexandra Blinder, MSW, LCSW
- The Trauma of Transplant: PTSD and Other Possible Emotional Side Effects of Transplant for the Patient and Caregiver(s) (ALL) - Annette Humberson, LISW-S, CCTSW
- Colorado Living Donor Act/Living Organ Donor Insurance Act - How We Did It (LD, K/P) - Anastasia Henry, Executive Director of American Transplant Foundation

10:45am - 11:45am

Breakout Sessions

- Changing the Story: The Transformative Power of Donation and Transplantation (ALL) - Emily Jauregui, MA
- End of Life for the Awake & Alert Left Ventricular Assist Device Patient: Psychosocial Challenges with Elective Deactivation/Decommissioning of the Pump (H, MCS) - Karen Weingart, LICSW, CCTSW, MCSSW
- Hot Topics in Pediatric Transplant Social Work: A Roundtable Discussion (Ped) Molly Dugan, LCSW, CCTSW; Heather Langlois, LICSW, CCTSW; Morgan Tayler, LCSW, MPH; Tina Cole, LISW-S, CCTSW
- From the Ground Up: Building a Hispanic Transplant Clinic (K, LD) - Monica Grafals, MD, MPH

12:00pm - 1:00pm

Lunch

Day 1 Continued

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1:15pm - 2:15pm

General Session

- Kidney Transplantation in Ethiopia: International Psychosocial Consultation and Partnership (K, ALL, E*) - Carly Fritsch, LMSW, CCTSW; Colleen Donlin Satarino, LMSW, CCTSW

2:30pm - 3:30pm

Breakout Sessions

- Building A Successful Living Donor and Paired Kidney Exchange Program: An Opportunity for Both Donors and Recipients (K, LD) - Matthew Cooper, MD, Director, Kidney and Pancreas Transplantation, Medstar Georgetown Transplant Institute, Professor of Surgery, Georgetown University School of Medicine
- Speak up! How Social Work Clinicians Can Break the Barriers of Addressing Sexual Health with Transplant Patients (ALL) - Mickey Montemayor, LCSW-S, CCTSW; Kerry Miller Ewens, LCSW-S, CCTSW
- Mechanical Circulation Support "MCS" Social Work: Beginners' Primer (MCS, H) - Elizabeth Mosele, LCSW, CCTSE-MCS
- Ethical Considerations in Determining Liver Transplant Candidacy in Adolescents with Suspected Intentional Ingestion (LV, Ped, E*)
Kirstin Brown, MSSW, LCSW; Kelli Triplett, PhD

3:45pm - 4:45pm

Breakout Sessions

- The Transplant Evaluation as a Transformative Experience: Use of Language, Self, and Metaphor (ALL) - Merle M. Kushner, LICSW
- Horton Hears a Who: Strive to be Like Horton...Pay Close Attention to the Tiny Clues that May Change the Course of a Transplant Journey (ALL)
Kathy Daley, LISW-S, LCSW, CCTSW
- Welcome to the World of Transplant...Now what do you do? Workshop for the New (and Returning) Pediatric Transplant Social Worker (Ped, K, H) (LV) (**90 Minutes) - Molly Dugan, LCSW, CCTSW
- When Only Partial Autonomy is Offered: Exploring Potential Ethical Challenges at the End of Life (ALL, E*) - Nicole Wyse, MSW, LISW-S

6:00pm - 8:00pm

Welcome Reception

Day 2

Wednesday 10/16

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7:45am - 8:00am

Welcome/Announcements

8:00am - 8:15am

Exhibitor Presentation

8:15am - 9:45am

General Session

- Ensuring Inclusive Care to the LGBTQ+ Community: A Team-based Approach (E*) - Daniel H. Rierden, MD, FAAP, FACP, AAHIVS; Natalie Nokoff, MD, Assistant Professor Pediatric Endocrinology, Research Director, TRUE Center for Gender Diversity; University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus, Children's Hospital Colorado; Abby Simon, LCSW

10:00am - 11:00am

Breakout Sessions

- Depression vs Demoralization in Organ Transplant (ALL) Mary Rzeszut, MSW, LCSW; Rachel Assael, LMSW
- Harnessing the Breath (ALL) - Monica Ruderman, Certified ABH Instructor
- Early Liver Transplant for Acute Alcohol Liver Disease in Adults (LV, E*)
 Filza Hussain, MD; Amanda Amanda L. Norwood, LCSW
- Mothers' Experiences of Post-Traumatic Growth in Pediatric Kidney Transplantation (K, Ped) - Andrew Mantulak, MSW, PhD, RSW

11:15am - 12:15am

General Session

- Marijuana and Transplants: What You Need to Know (ALL) - Dr. Thida Thant, Assistant Professor and Consultation-Liaison Psychiatrist

12:15pm - 1:15pm

Lunch

1:30pm - 2:30pm

General Session

- The Hidden Benefits of Neuropsych Testing with Transplant Patients Across the Lifespan (ALL) - Barb Luby, LICSW, CCTSW; Kay Kendall, MSW, LISW-S, CCTSW

Day 2 Continued

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2:45pm - 3:45pm

Breakout Sessions

- Just Put Him in Medical Foster Care! (Ped, E*) - Denise Alloway, LCSW; Sarah Kinnier, LCSW
- Lung Transplant: It's Complicated (LU) - Anne LaFluer, M.Ed, MSW, LICSW, CCTSW
- MCS Patients with Unique and Challenging PSychosocial Issues: Clinical Interventions (MCS) - Elizabeth Mosele, LCSW; Stephanie Francis, LCSW
- The Donor Alliance Experience - Supporting Donor Families Through the Donation Process (ALL) - Loreen Gulli, LCSW; Joyleen Helcoski, BS, CTBS

4:00pm - 5:00pm

Breakout Sessions

- Intimate Partner Violence and Barriers to Care After Transplant (ALL) - Nicole Shah, LCSW-C ; Angela Duckworth, LCSW-C
- Altruistic Donation: What Is It? Why Do People Do It? "Altruistic" Living Donor Panel Discussion (LD, LV, K, E*) - Melissa True, LCSW-S; Dana Parker, LCSW/ILDA; CCTSW
- Workshop for the New Transplant Social Worker: Helpful Tools and Techniques (ALL) (**90 Minutes) - Kay Kendall, MSW, LISW-S, CCTSW
- Telehealth in Transplant: The Psychosocial Considerations (ALL) - Alexandra Radomsky, LICSW

Day 3

Thursday, 10/17

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7:45am - 8:00am

Welcome/Announcements

8:00am - 8:15am

Exhibitor Presentation

8:15am - 9:45am

General Session

- Closing Keynote - Into the Next Decade: Advances in Living Liver Donation (ALL) - Dr. Kendra Conzen, MD, Assistant Professor, Surgery Transplant - University of Colorado Hospital

9:30am - 10:30am

General Session

- Preparation for Clinical Trials for Xenotransplantation: The Current State of Knowledge (ALL, E*) - Jenna Smith, LMSW; Samantha Floyd, MSW, LMSW

10:45am - 11:45am

Breakout Sessions

- An Integrated Model for Therapeutic Services & Substance Abuse Treatment for Transplant Patients (ALL) - Caitlin E. Yost, LMSW
- Preparing for a Natural Disaster in LVAD and Oxygen Dependent Patients: Lessons Learned from Matthew and Irma (H, MCS, LU) - Jennifer Kittinger, MSW, LCSW; Tiffany Coco, LCSW, CCTSW
- Perfect Partnership: Integrating the BSW Role to Complement and Maximize the MSW Role and Enhance Patient Care (ALL) - Cindy Brown, LMSW, ACSW; Jami Roberts, LCSW, ACSW; Maria Arredondo-Johnston, LBSW
- Impact of an Online Support Group on the Emotional Health of Transplant Caregivers (ALL) - Talia Giordano, MSW, LSW

12:00pm

Pick up CEU's

