

2015 New Hampshire Conference on Homelessness

Be the Change



September 28, 2015
Courtyard by Marriott
Grappone Conference Center
70 Constitution Avenue
Concord, NH 03301

2015 New Hampshire
Conference on Homelessness is
co-sponsored by:

Belknap-Merrimack CAP

NH Housing Finance Authority

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Homelessness

NH Department of Health and
Human Services'
Bureau of Homeless and Housing
Services

*To provide collaborative training
for administrators, staff and
outreach personnel working
with the homeless.*



Directions to the
Courtyard by Marriott
Grappone Conference Center
70 Constitution Avenue
Concord, NH 03301

I-93 Traveling North or South

Take Exit 15W.
Take first right onto Commercial
Street.
Take right at stop sign and follow
1/4 mile.
Hotel and Conference Center will
be on your right.

Traveling from the Seacoast

Take Route 4 West to 393 West.
Follow 393 West to first set of
lights.
Take right onto Commercial Street.
Take right at stop sign and follow
1/4 mile.
Hotel and Conference Center will
be on your right.

Traveling from Keene/Vermont

Take Route 89 South to Route 93
North.
Take Exit 15W.
Take first right onto Commercial
Street.
Take right at stop sign and follow
1/4 mile.
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Breakout Session Selections

Please indicate which breakout sessions you would like to attend. Every effort will be made to ensure that you are able to attend your first choice; however, we cannot guarantee it.

Morning Breakouts

1st choice _____ 2nd choice _____ 3rd choice _____ 4th choice _____

Afternoon Breakouts

1st choice _____ 2nd choice _____ 3rd choice _____ 4th choice _____

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Monday, September 28, 2015
8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

(Registration from 8:00 a.m. until 8:30 a.m.)

Morning Keynote:

James J O'Connell, MD, President
Boston Health Care for the Homeless Program

Luncheon Keynote:

Iain De Jong, President and CEO
OrgCode Consulting, Inc.

REGISTRATION

Conference registration fee is \$50 per person, made payable **BY CHECK ONLY** to Belknap-Merrimack CAP but sent to the Bureau of Homeless and Housing Services. Registration information and fees must be received by September 14, 2015. Mailing information is on the registration form.

NOTE: Please indicate your breakout session choices on the back of the registration form before returning it. Please note that we cannot guarantee a specific session at a specific time, but we will make every effort to accommodate you.

Support the "Hope Starts Here Scholarship". During the conference we will be raffling off several donated gift baskets. Tickets are \$1.00 each or six for \$5.00. Please help support this unique scholarship for homeless youth by taking a chance on a basket full of great items. Or consider donating a basket to be raffled off at the conference. For information, please contact Kyle Beaulieu at kbeaulieu@nhceh.org.



Morning Breakout Sessions

I: Understanding Trauma and Homelessness Among Children and Families

This session will explore the connections between trauma and homelessness amongst children and families. In addition to learning the physical and emotional impacts of homelessness, participants will learn: 1) The impact of early childhood trauma on brain development; 2) Differences between acute and complex trauma; 3) Common reactions and behaviors of trauma survivors; and 4) Best practices in providing trauma informed services.

II: Community Care Teams - Building a Local Response and Support System

People who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless often experience a multitude of challenges that no one service agency can address. Community Care Teams (CCTs) are emerging as an effective approach for coordinating supportive services and resources across multiple sectors. CCTs are locally constructed systems that address social determinants of vulnerability, removing barriers to health and wellness. This session will include an introduction to the CCT model, lessons learned and evidence of impact from established CCTs, and updates from CCTs currently forming in the Seacoast Region.

III: NH Veterans and Housing Stability: Understanding Military Culture to Build Rapport and Develop Solutions

To best provide support and housing services to service members, veterans and their families (SMVFs), it is critical to understand military culture and the potential impact of a variety of aspects of military service on housing stability. This session will both educate housing services providers about military culture in the context of homelessness and housing crises and highlight key VA and community-based SMVF housing resources.

IV: "Use the Force, Luke!" How to Manage Number One and Stay Motivated to Do the Job

This workshop helps participants to manage the difficult feelings that arise in their work with at-risk clients – and remain motivated to make a difference.

Afternoon Breakout Sessions

I: The McKinney-Vento Act and Homeless Youth Education

The presentation will cover the rise of homelessness among our student population in NH, the basics of the McKinney-Vento Act, including requirements for the local education agencies and local homeless liaisons implementing the Act, and the importance of relationship building between homeless liaisons and service providers in order to best meet the needs of NH's homeless youth population.

II: Policy Matters: Stepping Up to Advocacy

Proposed budget cuts to shelters? Legislation to increase rental deposit requirements? Homeless and housing advocates regularly face these challenges at the NH State House. This panel, coordinated by Housing Action NH and the Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter, will provide a "mock hearing" so more providers can step up to advocacy and work to turn policy in a more favorable direction to keep people affordably housed and end homelessness.

III: Harm Reduction, Homelessness and Housing: Coming of Age

Harm reduction principles are embedded in many new initiatives that operate at the intersection of homelessness, housing and health related services. In this session, we will review the factors associated with harmful consequences of substance use, clarify the definition of harm reduction, and examine the application of harm reduction principles in various practices of those who work to prevent and end homelessness. This session will include a special focus on emerging issues in substance use and harm reduction, including overdose prevention.

IV: Nonviolent Crisis Intervention: A program focusing on the safe management of disruptive and assaultive behavior

By participating in this program, you will gain the skills and confidence necessary to handle crisis situations with minimal anxiety and maximum security. You will learn how to intervene more safely when behavior becomes dangerous. Most importantly, it won't damage the professional bond you have worked hard to establish with individuals in your care. *** This session is not the full certification program.*



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AGENCY: _____
NAME: _____
TITLE: _____
ADDRESS: _____
BUSINESS TELEPHONE: _____ FAX: _____
EMAIL: _____

Please return this conference registration form and a \$50.00 check payable to Belknap – Merrimack CAP to:

Julie Lane
Bureau of Homeless and Housing Services
Brown Building
129 Pleasant St
Concord, NH 03301

Check here if interested in CEU's if offered ** pending approval**

IMPORTANT: Please choose breakouts on the back of this form.

No Later than September 14, 2015