CONFERENCE LEADER

Rev. Malcolm Marler, D.Min. founded The Care Team Network in 1994. He has presented this conference to over 2,000 persons in the last three years throughout the United States.

The Care Team Network is sponsored by The 1917 Clinic at The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB), a respected HIV/AIDS research and treatment center where Rev. Marler is the chaplain. UAB is a world-class university and medical center.

FOLLOWING THE CONFERENCE

One of the goals of this conference in addition to teaching people how to start Care Teams is to form a Leadership Team (a Care Team for Care Teams) among the participants.

The Leadership Team will be available to offer local support to individuals, congregations, or organizations if desired.

Anyone may be on the Leadership Team who wants to help participants learn from each other’s experience and support the development of Care Teams in this region.

In addition, The Care Team Network will make all of its materials available for use without copyright so that persons may adapt and use it in anyway they desire to meet people’s needs. Support will be available from The Care Team Network staff through:

- toll-free phone number;
- e-mail consultation; and
- Web site (www.careteam.org).

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Participants may register by phone, fax, or mail. A confirmation letter will be sent to each registrant with a map to the conference. Deadline is Friday, January 10, 2003.

By Phone: Call Mary White at 952-993-3531, or toll-free, 1-888-786-3119.

By Fax: 952-993-3033

By Mail: Send your registration form to:

Park Nicollet Institute
Health Education
3800 Park Nicollet Boulevard
St. Louis Park, MN 55416

Name

Address

City/State/Zip

Home Phone Work Phone

E-mail Address

Congregation or Organization Representing (if any)
WHAT IS A CARE TEAM?

A Care Team is a group of volunteers working together to provide practical, emotional, and spiritual support to individuals and families with health concerns or other special needs.

This conference will focus on reaching out to persons with HIV disease in our community, but participants may use the Care Team model to care for persons with any need.

WHAT DOES A CARE TEAM DO?

A team's activities may include transportation to the doctor or grocery store, household or yard chores.

Some people enjoy running errands, preparing meals, or providing social outings. Others prefer to visit, make phone calls, or provide a break for caregivers.

Team members simply do what they enjoy doing for others, when they are able, in an organized way with a built-in support system.

WHY ARE CARE TEAMS NEEDED?

The number of persons with needs is increasing due to persons living longer with fewer resources. Improved medical treatments help people live longer but not necessarily with a better quality of life.

A team approach represents a practical way individuals can work together to share the care to make a difference in the lives of others.

CONFERENCE DETAILS

AUDIENCE

Anyone who wants to be involved in starting Care Teams for persons living with HIV disease (or another illness) where they worship, work, or live are invited. This is a “train-the-trainer” conference.

DATES AND TIME

The two-day conference will be on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 14 and 15, 2003 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day. The second day builds on the material from the first day.

LOCATION

Park Nicollet Clinic, Dwan Auditorium at 3800 Park Nicollet Blvd., St. Louis Park, MN. The clinic is located at the northeast intersection of Highway 100 and Excelsior Boulevard. Follow the signs off Excelsior Boulevard to park in the free parking ramp.

COST

Thanks to the generous support of Park Nicollet, there is no charge to participants for the two-day conference (normally $150).

However, registration is required for everyone.

REGISTRATION

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CONFERENCE CONTENT

Tuesday, January 14, 2003, 9-5 p.m.
Fundamentals of Care Team Development

provides an overview of the key components to the successful development of Care Teams. During the day we will learn how to:

- Identify the needs of someone, determine if a Care Team is wanted and needed,
- Introduce the Team Approach to others so that they understand how a team is different than the traditional one-one-one way of caring,
- Train a Care Team in your congregation, organization, or start a team for someone you know or someone in your community,
- Connect a Care Team with a Care Team Friend (recipient of care) and clarify expectations of everyone involved, and
- Equip the team with on-going support to keep it healthy and growing.

Wednesday, January 15, 2003, 9-5 p.m.
Applications of Care Team Development

provides experiential training for participants from the previous day and helps apply the model to each person’s unique setting.

Participants will:

- Explore strengths and challenges of developing teams in their setting,
- Learn how to integrate Care Teams with existing ministries or programs,
- Practice introducing the team approach to others and training Care Team Members,
- Learn how to develop a Leadership Team to help all participants have the local support they need following the conference.