

In 1994 Gay Men's Health Crisis held it's first citywide skills building conference, providing educational workshops for people volunteering & working in AIDS service organizations, community-based organizations, hospitals, treatment facilities and faith community ministries. This year we are proud to invite you to participate in our 15th Annual Skills Building Conference.



We would like to thank all of our partners, workshop facilitators, volunteers, peer educators, interns, employees, board members, and staff who have participated in these conferences.

Designed By The Terry K. Watanabe Volunteer Center

"If you want others to be happy, practice compassion. If you want to be happy, practice compassion.."

-The Dalai Lama

Thank you for registering for "The 15th Annual Skills Building Conference: Working Together Beyond 25 Years". Please send the completed registration form to:

**Tom Loconti
GMHC
The Tisch Building
119 West 24th Street – 11th floor
New York, NY 10011**

OR you can fax the completed registration form to Tom at (212) 367-1081.

Please note that once you send the completed form, you are confirmed. As an additional reminder we will call or e-mail you a few days before the conference.

Any questions, please call Tom at (212) 367-1008.

Also, please check the GMHC website www.gmhc.org for conference updates.

See you on April 12th

Gay Men's Health Crisis (GMHC) is a not-for-profit, volunteer-supported and community-based organization committed to national leadership in the fight against AIDS. Our mission is to reduce the spread of HIV disease, help people with HIV maintain and improve their health and independence, and keep the prevention, treatment and cure of HIV an urgent national and local priority. In fulfilling this mission, we will remain true to our heritage by fighting homophobia and affirming the individual dignity of all gay men and lesbians. We provide services and programs to over 15,000 men, women and families that are living with or affected by HIV/AIDS in New York City.



THE TERRY K. WATANABE
VOLUNTEER CENTER
PRESENTS:

The 15th Annual GMHC Skills Building Conference:

Working Together Beyond 25 Years



**A conference for volunteers,
employees, interns and peer
educators in the HIV/AIDS
service community**

**Saturday, April 12, 2008
10:30 am – 4:00 pm
(Registration begins at 10:00 am.)**

**GMHC
The Tisch Building
119 West 24th Street
(between 6th & 7th Avenues)
NYC**

**FREE to all participants.
Continental breakfast and lunch provided.
Wheelchair accessible.**

Conference Agenda

10:00 am – 10:30 am REGISTRATION
10:30 am – 11:00 am OPENING WELCOME
11:15 am – 12:45 pm MORNING WORKSHOPS

Benefits & Entitlements 101

Alexandra Remmel, The Michael Palm Center, GMHC

Helping vs. Over-Sharing: Exploring the Risks of Self Disclosure

Marla Berman, LCSW, The Cornell Center for Special Studies

Issues Facing Immigrants Living with HIV

GMHC Legal Department

Connecting to Your Spirituality as a Volunteer

Reverend Michael Delaney

Treatment & HIV Testing Updates

The David Geffen Center for HIV Prevention & Education, GMHC

Enhancing the Environment for LGBTQ Youth: HIV Prevention Opportunities

Lillian Rivera, Hetrick Martin Institute

Women & HIV

Alicia Heath-Toby, The Women's Institute, GMHC

Mental Health & HIV: Psychopharmacology, Biopsychosocial Perspective in Brief Mental Health Treatment

Michael Hamilton, The Michael Palm Center, GMHC

Housing Policy

GMHC Public Policy Department

HIV & Over 50

To Be Announced

Expanded Syringe Access Program Design

Glynis Simmons and Matt Ignacio,
The Michael Palm Center, GMHC

Conference Agenda

12:45 pm – 1:45 pm LUNCH
1:45 pm – 3:15 pm AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS
3:30 pm – 4:00 pm CLOSING CEREMONY

Public Policy Update

GMHC Public Policy Department

HIV Enhancing the Environment for LGBTQ Youth: HIV Prevention Opportunities

Lillian Rivera, Hetrick Martin Institute

Nutrition & HIV: Building the Connection

Sarah Spool, RD,
GMHC Nutrition, Education & Wellness

Grief & Loss

Dee Livingston

Marketing for Current and Future Jobs Getting and Keeping the Job You Love

Reshard Riggins GMHC Workforce Development

Keeping the Passion Alive In Your Work

Father David Murphy

Creative Clinical Skills to Enhance Client Engagement

Tracey Winchester & Michael Hamilton,
The Michael Palm Center, GMHC

Treatment & HIV Testing Updates

The David Geffen Center for HIV Prevention & Education, GMHC

Harm Reduction 101

Donald McVinney, FROST'D

Crystal Meth & HIV

Chris Cochrane & George Novillo,
The Michael Palm Center, GMHC

Spirituality in the Transgender Community

Reverend Moshay Moses, Positive Health Project

Working with Substance Abusing Women

Glynis Simmons, The Michael Palm Center, GMHC

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

Yes! I would like to register for the conference, "Working Together Beyond 25 Years", Saturday, April 12, 2008, 10:30 am to 4:00 pm (Registration begins at 10:00 am) at GMHC, 119 West 24th Street, 12th Floor NYC.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!

Name

Address

City, State, Zip code

Phone Number where you can be reached

E-mail address, if available, and willing to receive e-mail from "GMHC.org."

Where do you work as a volunteer or paid employee?

What do you do as a volunteer or paid employee?

Certificate of attendance available upon request and completion.

*Please list your choices for the morning and afternoon workshops. twelve workshops per timeslot. Pick **one** out of the twelve for each timeslot.*

11:15 am – 12:45 pm

1:45 pm – 3:15 pm

ASL interpreter needed? _____ Yes _____ No

Box Lunch Sandwich Choice:

Roast Beef _____ Turkey _____

Vegetarian _____ Tuna _____