

## Registration Form

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\_\_\_ Professionals (3 CEU's).....\$30.00

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**RSVP by: March 27, 2015**

Mail your registration and check to:

Attn: Rebecca Szanto  
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If you have questions, please email  
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## Everyday Advocates: Counseling Leadership In Practice

Keynote Speaker:

Dr. Christine Bhat, LPC, LSC

Leadership Panel Members:

Donna Czeck, LSC

Meghan Fortner, LPCC-S

Jessica Headley, LPC

Dr. Cynthia Marco-Scanlon, LPCC-S

Toni Notaro, LPCC-S

Nikunj Patel, LPCC

Presenters:

Dr. Victoria Kress, LPCC-S

Dr. Matthew Paylo, LPCC-S

Dr. Jake Protivnak, LPCC-S, LSC

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YSU Counseling Program

Ohio Counseling Association

Youngstown State University  
Beeghly College of Education, McKay Auditorium  
April 10, 2015  
10:00am-2:30 pm

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## Friday, April 10th Workshop Schedule 10:00a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

9:30am-10:00am: Registration  
10:00am: Importance of Counselor Advocacy and Leadership in Client Care  
10:30am: Discussion Panel: Leadership, Client Advocacy, and Administration in Diverse Settings  
12:00: Student Poster Presentation  
12:30pm: Lunch  
1:15pm: Keynote: Leadership Strategies for Counselors  
1:45pm: Counselor Advocacy & Leadership Skills That Improve Client Wellbeing  
2:15-2:30pm: Conclusion/Prizes

### Location

This training will be on YSU campus in the Beeghly College of Education, in McKay Auditorium. Directions and a campus map can be found at [www.ysu.edu](http://www.ysu.edu). BCOE is wheelchair accessible. Contact Rebecca Szanto at [rszanto@student.ysu.edu](mailto:rszanto@student.ysu.edu) for additional accommodations or questions.

### Parking

Parking will be available in the M-26 lot and will cost (\$5) five dollars. A map is available at <http://web.ysu.edu/directions>



### Continuing Education Units

The workshop has been approved by the Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapist Board for 3 hours for Counselors - RCS031407.

The Youngstown State University Counseling Program (NBCC #3029) is an NBCC-Approved Continuing Education Provider (ACEP) and may offer NBCC-approved clock hours for events that meet NBCC requirements. The ACEP solely is responsible for the program.

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## Workshop Description

This workshop is intended for counseling students, new counseling professionals, and all counselors who want to make a positive difference in the lives of their clients. Participants will identify strategies through informal and/or formal advocacy/leadership opportunities to enhance client care. Participants will learn from a variety of counselors who have exhibited leadership and advocacy through administration benefiting clients and the counseling profession. The panel will showcase practicing counselors who demonstrate leadership on a daily basis through counseling, supervision, administration and professional service to advocate for their needs of clients. Presenters will provide examples successes and challenges (e.g., ethical issues) of how their clinical decisions has influenced their practices and treatment of clients. Lessons shared by presenters will be applicable to counselors in: Addiction Counseling, Clinical Mental Health Counseling, School Counseling, Student Affairs & College Counseling, and Counselor Education.

### Objectives

1. Participants will understand the necessity and expression of leadership in service delivery (e.g., clinical supervision, client advocacy, program coordination) and the ethical issues involved to enhance client care.
2. Participants will learn ways client advocacy can be expressed in a variety of counseling settings (e.g., Addiction, Clinical Mental Health, School, Student Affairs & College) with specific examples of how it has improved client care.
3. Participants will identify counselor knowledge and skills that contribute to their ability to advocate/lead individual / system wide change for clients through counseling, supervision, administration, professional service that has improved the wellbeing of clients in their current counseling setting.

### Student Poster Presentations

Counseling students are encouraged to submit a poster proposal (literature review or research) on a variety of counseling areas. We also encourage submissions to address leadership (e.g., supervision, counselor education) and/or advocacy (e.g., client, profession) issues.

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## About the Presenters

**\*Dr. Christine Bhat**, LPC, LSC, Program Coord./Associate Prof., Dept. of Counseling & Higher Ed., Ohio University; Past-President Ohio Counseling Association; Alpha Chapter, CSI, Faculty Advisor; Treasurer-Elect Chi Sigma Iota - International.

**\*Meghan Fortner**, LPCC-S, Vice President of Clinical Treatment, Meridian Community Care; Past-President of Ohio Counseling Association and EOCA; Past-Program Dir., Neil Kennedy Recovery Clinic; Council Member of Family and Children First of Mahoning Co.

**\*Donna Czeck**, LSC, K-12 School Counselor, Lordstown School District; District Test Coordinator; District Ohio Resident Educator Program Coordinator; Advisory Board member for Beeghly College of Education and Trumbull Career & Technical Center.

**\*Toni Notaro**, LPCC-S, Administrative Director, Mahoning County Mental Health Board; Past-Clinical Director at Turning Point Counseling; Community Support Supervisor; Parkview Counseling Center; Advisory Board Member for Heartland Collaborative.

**\*Jessica Headley**, LPC, Counselor Education Doc. Student at University of Akron; Past-President, Alpha Upsilon CSI Chapter; Leadership Fellow, CSI – International; Asst. Ed., Journal of Counselor Practice.

**\*Dr. Victoria Kress**, LPCC-S, Program Coordinator, CMCH and Addiction Counseling Programs, YSU; Dir., Community Counseling Clinic; President, Ohio Counseling Association; Past-Pres, CSI – International; Exec. Ed., ACA Practice Briefs; CACREP Liaison; Past-State Regulatory Board Member, Ohio CSWMFT.

**\*Dr. Cynthia Marco-Scanlon**, LPCC-S, Interim Director, Career Services, John Carroll University; Past-President of Ohio Career Development Association, OACES; Executive Council Member, NCDA.

**\*Nikunj Patel**, LPCC, Counselor, Meridian Community Care; Faculty Instructor of COUN 1588 Exploring Leadership for the Youngstown State University Exploring Leadership Program.

**\*Dr. Jake J. Protivnak**, LPCC-S, LSC, Department Chair/ Associate Prof., Dept. of Counseling, Special Education, & School Psychology; Past-President of the Ohio Counseling Association and the OASERVIC; Eta Chapter, CSI, Faculty Advisor.

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