

West Park Healthcare Centre Seniors Mental Health Service

Presents a one-day workshop on:

Help for Tenants Who Hoard: Balancing Rights and Safety

Wednesday, February 15, 2011

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

West Park Healthcare Centre
Toronto, Ontario



Help for Tenants Who Hoard: Balancing Rights and Safety

This educational forum is for community legal workers, housing workers and community health workers to help them better understand the complexities of hoarding situations.

The Program

Registration and Coffee: 8:30 to 9:00

Welcome and Opening Remarks: 9:00 to 9:15

Anne Marie Malek, President & CEO West Park Healthcare Centre and **Bob Parke**, Bioethicist

Morning Session: 9:15 to 12:00

Dr. Peggy Richter, Psychiatrist
Director, Clinic for Obsessive Compulsive Disorder & Related Disorders, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, and Associate Professor, Department of Psychiatry, University of Toronto

Hoarding: An Overview

This session will offer an overview of the definitions, characteristics, phenomenology, causes and prevalence, treatments will be reviewed.

Catherine Chater, Occupational Therapist,
VHA Home HealthCare Toronto

Clinical Approaches and Systems

This session will review reasons why clutter accumulates, the challenges with health, safety, family strain,

cleanouts and eviction intervention readiness. Harm reduction will be offered as a framework to establish realistic goals and teach organizational and discarding skills.

Lunch: 12:00 to 1:00

Afternoon Session: 1:00 to 3:30

Dennis Bailey, Lawyer and Executive Director, Community Legal Clinic of York Region
Anita Barnes, Community Legal Worker and Member of Toronto Hoarding Coalition

Barbara Hall, Chief Commissioner, Ontario Human Rights Commission

Insights from a client recovering from compulsive hoarding

This session will include:

- Legal Perspectives: Residential Tenancies Act and Ontario Human Rights Code implications
- The experience of the Community Legal Clinics advocating for reasonable accommodation
- The intersection of individual rights and public safety

Toronto Fire Services, Representative

The Role of the Fire Services

This session will provide an overview of Fire Services approach to dealing with hoarding, inspection orders and the challenge to life safety for occupants and first responders.

Wrap-up: 3:30 to 4:00

Cost

\$95

Includes lunch, parking and materials

Proceeds from this workshop will support St. Clair West, Services for Seniors, Transitional Apartment Program

Please make cheques payable to:

West Park Healthcare Centre/SMHS

(Sorry no post-dated cheques)

An e-mail confirmation will be sent when payment is received.

Please note:

- Space is limited
- Registration deadline is February 8, 2011
- Receipts will be issued at the workshop
- Certificate of Attendance will be provided at the workshop



Workshop Location:

West Park Healthcare Centre
82 Buttonwood Avenue
Toronto, ON M6M 2J5
Tel: 416-243-3600
www.westpark.org

Parking will be provided in staff parking lot.

For all inquiries regarding the workshop or to pay by credit card, please contact:

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Presented by West Park Healthcare Centre with help from its planning committee partners, Community Legal Clinic of York Region and VHA Home Healthcare.



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Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Tel (work): _____

(home): _____

E-mail: _____

Employer: _____

Discipline/Position: _____

Diet: Regular _____ Vegetarian _____

Mail registration form and a cheque made payable to West Park Healthcare Centre/SMHS to:

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