

# THE DETAILS

## WHERE & WHEN IS IT?

Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup> 2017  
8AM-3PM

Prince Conference Center  
1800 E. Beltline Ave SE  
Grand Rapids, MI 49546

## WHAT'S THE SCHEDULE?

7:30-8:00am	<b>Registration &amp; Breakfast</b>
8:00-9:00am	<b>Suicide Prevention</b>
9:00-10:00am	<b>End of Life Choices</b>
10:00-10:15am	<b>Break</b>
10:15-11:00am	<b>Family Involvement</b>
11:00-12:00pm	<b>Caregiver Resilience</b>
12:00-1:00pm	<b>Lunch: Burger Bar</b>
1:00-1:30pm	<b>Medication &amp; Safety</b>
1:30-2:15pm	<b>Quality Documentation</b>
2:15-3:00pm	<b>Direct Caregiver Panel</b>

## WHAT SHOULD I BRING WITH ME?

Breakfast and lunch will be provided, along with coffee throughout the day. Bring a sweater as the Conference Center can get chilly!

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The WMBIN DIRECT CAREGIVERS CONFERENCE is open to anyone, but participation is strongly encouraged for direct care and residential staff who work in the brain injury field.

# WEST MICHIGAN BRAIN INJURY NETWORK

The 18th Annual Direct Caregiver Conference is organized and presented by the Western Michigan Brain Injury Network, a collaboration of:

**SPECTRUM HEALTH** 

Restoring Hope and *Freedom*  
**Mary Free Bed**  
Rehabilitation Hospital

**HOPE NETWORK**  
**NEURO REHABILITATION**



# THE ELEPHANT IN THE ROOM

LEARNING TO ADDRESS THE TOUGH TOPICS

**18<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL** DIRECT CAREGIVERS  
**CONFERENCE**  
10.19.17

# CONFERENCE PRESENTERS

**Christy Buck, LMSW**



- Executive Director of the Mental Health Foundation of West Michigan
- 30 years of experience in mental health
- Spoken to 80,000+ students in W. Michigan about mental health since '06
- Working to educate and end the stigma of mental illness

**Carol Robinson, DNP, MS, BSN, RN**



- Community Coordinator for Making Choices Michigan
- Nursing experience in both clinical and administrative leadership
- Scholarly work includes Advanced Care Planning conversations
- Passionate about Quality of Life & Treatment

**Amber Lowery, LMSW, CBIS**



- Rehab Social Worker for 9 years at Hope Network Neuro Rehab
- A total of 13 years of experience in the Rehab field
- Loves working with her clients and their families as a part of the clinical team at Hope Network

**Robert Wertkin, DSW**



- Director of WMU School of Social Work
- Teaches research, social welfare policy, social work practice, and more
- Directed numerous international research projects in various nations
- Passionate about victimology, child welfare, and more



# CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

*Check one of the following*

## WMBIN Affiliate Staff Member

Please fill out this form and return to one of the following by September 2nd, 2017

MFB: Bonita Pawloski  
SH/SHCC: Malena Nguyen  
SH-NRS: Eldon Lieb  
HNNR: Kailie Heim

Conference Fee: \$35.00, includes meals

## Community Professional

Please fill out this form & mail with payment by September 2nd, 2017 to:

Hope Network Rehab Services  
Attn: Kailie Heim  
1490 E. Beltline Ave SE  
Grand Rapids, MI 49506

Conference Fee: \$50.00, includes meals

Make checks payable to:  
MFB ed. Corp-WMBIN/DCC '17

*Please Print*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

# CONFERENCE PRESENTERS

**Ashley Megee, RN, BSN, CCRN & Brandon Nearanz, R.Ph.**

- Brandon and Ashley have a combined 30+ years of healthcare experience
- Ashley is a nursing consultant, serving multiple SNFs with specialties in IVs, and IV therapy



- Brandon is a consultant Pharmacist with experience in both community and long-term care settings and is currently pursuing his Board Certification in Geriatric Pharmacy

**Holly Anderson, M.ED, CRRN, LPC, CBIST**



- Clinical Educator at Spectrum Health since 2011
- Experience managing BI, SCI, limb loss, and ortho cases as a Rehab RN
- Previously managed insurance claims for catastrophic injuries
- Passionate about caregiver education

## Direct Caregiver Panel

- Jennifer Russ: Hope Network Neuro Rehab, 19 yrs
- Fran Osborn: Spectrum Continuing Care, 29 yrs
- Tracey Whiting: Spectrum Continuing Care, 12 yrs

