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2011 Legislative Wrap-Up

In Like a Lion out Like a Lamb (sort of): Cuts to Services not as Dire as Initially Predicted

The 2011 session of the Utah State Legislature officially began Monday, January 24. Of course, budget negotiations dominated the legislative landscape as we continue our economic recovery. At the onset of the session, many legislators were concerned that our predicted revenue growth (our first year of growth since 2008) would not compensate for the “structural imbalance”, which totaled some \$313 million. This “imbalance” was attributed to the discontinuation of federal stimulus funds and draining down other one-time sources of revenue during the past couple of tough economic years.

Governor Gary Herbert's budget proposal (supported by NASW) proposed an \$11.9 billion state budget that did not include cuts, relying instead on continued economic growth, expedited tax payment deadlines for self-employed Utahns, and utilization of the state's Rainy Day Fund.

However, in contrast to the governor's budget—and before revenue estimates were finalized—the Legislature initially proposed 7% across the board cuts to the state budget. This budget included cuts to the always vulnerable social services budget, where 100 separate reductions were proposed, including cuts to services for the blind, a \$5.2 million cut for investigations of domestic violence committed in front of children, a \$3 million cut to DSPD, a \$2 million cut to mental health services for children and adults who are not eligible for Medicaid, cuts to women and children's treatment programs, loss of receiving services in juvenile justice (which will result in the loss of a \$1 million dollar federal match), and a \$4.6 million loss to the Utah State Hospital.

Fortunately, revenue projections improved, and with a more favorable base budget, we expect fewer cuts to critical social services.

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2011 NASW Legislative Priorities and Outcomes

- **NASW was neutral** on H.B. 229, Amendments to the Mental Health Professional Practice Act, by Rep. Keith Grover, allows CSW's to practice as a 1099 employee and allows certain training and supervision to be conducted online. **OUTCOME: This bill failed in committee. May be reintroduced next session.**
- **NASW opposed** HB 244, Online Mental Health Therapy, by Rep. Keith Grover, Allows mental health therapists to conduct therapy remotely (via online, telephonically) to individuals outside of the State. NASW opposed this bill until such time that we can facilitate dialogue with a broader audience that includes professional organizations and other jurisdictions to develop clear, comprehensive ethical and legal interstate standards intended to protect social workers and vulnerable clients. **OUTCOME: This bill failed in committee. May be reintroduced next session.**
- **NASW supported** SCR 1, Crisis Intervention Team Concurrent Resolutions, by Sen. Patricia Jones, This resolution recognizes the Crisis Intervention Team Training Program as the model of best practice for law enforcement intervention with persons who have a mental illness; and encourages law enforcement agencies and community mental health centers to work together in conjunction with other community partners to have a cadre of certified Crisis Intervention Team-trained officers in all jurisdictions; and develop and maintain active crisis intervention team programs regionally and throughout the state. **OUTCOME: This bill passed.**
- **NASW supported** SB 46, Higher Education Residency Requirements, by Sen. Dayton, broadens current law by enabling a dependent of an active duty member of the U.S. military to obtain residency for tuition by providing proof other than demonstrating the parent pays income taxes in Utah. Approved by the Senate Education Committee on Thursday, after some amendments which tightened the other requirements, and now goes to the full Senate. **OUTCOME: This bill passed.**
- **NASW opposed** HB 119, Nonresident Tuition Waiver Amendments, by Rep. Wimmer, repeals the law allowing students who attended and graduated from a Utah High School resident tuition regardless of their immigration status. This would affect approximately 600 students at USHE institutions. **OUTCOME: This bill did not pass.**
- **NASW supported** HB 14, Catastrophic Mental Health Coverage-Sunset Act, by Rep. Dunnigan, changes the repeal dates for catastrophic mental health coverage from 2011 to 2013-2016. **OUTCOME: This bill passed.**
- **NASW supported** HB 205, Domestic Violence and Dating Violence Amendments, by Rep. Ray, provides for the issuance, modification, and enforcement of protective orders between certain individuals who are, or have been, in an abusive dating relationship. **OUTCOME: This bill did not pass.**

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Under 30 Spotlight-Jesse Ellis, CSW

Here is our interview with one of Utah's emerging leaders, Jesse Ellis! A recent graduate of BYU School of Social Work.

How did you discover social work?:

"Following a "two year religious sabbatical" to Mendoza Argentina, I returned to Utah County and quickly began working as a State Farm Insurance Agent. One month beforehand, my mother enrolled me as a student at Utah Valley State College, now Utah Valley University (yes... I'm that old) and began attending classes in my stead until I returned from South America. Truly all I remember from my first semester in college is having to explain to everyone how I was connected to that nice blond, older lady who took really good notes and why suddenly she stopped coming to class. Oh, I also remember something about the barbarian invasions of the early middle ages (History 2680 Medieval Renaissance; my mom thought it sounded interesting). Needless to say I was quickly developing the pertinent skills needed for becoming a successful social worker later in life, skills such as gaining empathy for those who wonder aimlessly with little direction or meaning in life or learning how to pay my bills with little to no income.

Shortly after selling my 25th supplemental health insurance policy to a senior citizen couple on Medicare I realized I was horribly unsatisfied with my job, quit and began working at Tahitian Noni International selling exotic island beauty/health products to victims of low self esteem and or excessive spending habits (warning...the juice initially tastes like vomit). Again, wrong profession. Then I discovered the foster care system but not as a participant, but rather, as a mentor, which mentor position came to me as a referral from an old estranged friend of mine. He talked about "making money by hanging out with kids who don't live with their real parents." It sounded interesting so I applied, got the job and suddenly didn't loath going to work anymore and even though this foster care agency would eventually shut down for issues related to money laundering, (trust me...I was not involved) working with at-risk youth primarily helped me to cultivate an interest for working in the social service sector. Or as a psycho analytic would say, "It helped me process the trauma of being teased in middle school for being grossly overweight as well as the trauma associated with being teased for not officially hitting puberty until my sophomore year of high school...I was still singing soprano in the chamber choir (perhaps I'm still trying to process that one)." I later became a domestic violence advocate, a residential counselor for a juvenile treatment center, a social policy representative

and a substance abuse counselor. "

Why social work?:

"After working with the foster care children I realized that I wanted to do something within the "helping professions" however I wasn't sure which track to pursue. Initially I was studying psychology but later changed my focus to social work because of its broad scope of practice, which helped me, feel less confined. When considering my future I wanted to belong to a versatile, respected and meaningful profession. Now that I am a practicing social worker I have to say that I have absolutely no regrets about studying social work as opposed to the other helping disciplines. On most days I help people in very significant ways and in ways that only a social worker can. Because I am trained to work with people in their environment I am uniquely prepared to access the services needed to help these individuals sort through the clinical difficulties of their lives. This type of work directly contributes to my sense of purpose and significance and yes I do believe that there is more to life than earning lots of money."

You were instrumental in developing ClergyBridge while an MSW student at BYU. Tell us more about that:

"During my graduate studies at BYU I helped organize a community service project, which aimed at bridging the gap between social services and the religious sector. We called it Clergy-Bridge and worked to include all faiths addressing the concerns clergy have when addressing mental health issues of their parishioners. People can access this project by going to www.clergybridge.org "

What are you doing now?

"I am an emergency room crisis social worker, an adjunct professor and an assessment and referral coordinator for court ordered substance abusers. I also serve on the NASW Board of Directors."



Jesse Ellis currently serves on the NASW board of directors, and on the NASW advocacy and social justice committee.

Prior to that, Jesse was the statewide MSW representative to the NASW Board of Directors. Jesse embodies many outstanding qualities that make him a rising star in the social work community.

Under 30 Spotlight is a new section honoring emerging leaders in social work.

If you would like to nominate an under 30 emerging leader, please call or email NASW staff at 801-583-8855 or naswemail@yahoo.com.

Utah Licensing FAQ's

What new changes have been made in the requirements for continuing education?

Recent Social Work Rules changes have gone into effect. **Social Service Workers** (SSW) are now required to obtain 20 hours of continuing education credit every two years- October 1, 2010-September 30, 2012. Three of these ceu's (for both SSW's and LCSW's) must be in **ETHICS**.

How many ceu's can I earn through the internet or through home study?

This number also recently changed. LCSW's can earn up to 15 ceu's every two years through these "non traditional" methods.

SSW's can earn up to 10 ceu's every two years through "non traditional" methods.

NASW, Utah has a huge catalog of "non-traditional" ceu's available on our website. Go to www.utnasw.org and click on the "Online CE Institute."

In what other ways can an LCSW earn their 40 continuing education hours?

Every licensed clinical social worker must have 40 hours of continuing education during the two-year cycle. In addition to 15 ceu's (10 if you are an SSW) The hours may be earned in the following ways:

Category I: 40 hours may be earned in formal workshops, conferences, seminars, lectures, training sessions or university classes.

Category II: 10 hours can be earned by lecturing or instructing continuing education courses.

What is the deadline for earning ceu's?

September 30, 2012., same as the deadline to renew your license.

Can I get continuing education credit for teaching in a university or college?

You cannot earn continuing education credit for teaching regular curriculum classes in a university or college. Most of the students enrolled in regular courses are unlicensed undergraduate or graduate students and are not eligible for continuing education hours. You may earn 10 hours of Category II credit by teaching *continuing education* classes.

What happens if I don't meet the ceu requirement of 40 clock hours by the end of the recertification period?

You will be subject to review by the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing for unprofessional conduct. When you renew your li-

cense every two years, you must sign that you have earned your continuing education hours. If you falsify that renewal document, you are subject to legal consequences.

How long do I need to keep my documentation?

You need to keep documentation for four years after the recertification cycle ends. If you are audited by DOPL, you must produce proof of continuing education.

How many continuing education hours can I carry over to the next cycle?

You may carry over up to 10 hours to the next ceu cycle.

Why do some workshops advertise that they "meet DOPL requirements" and others advertise that they are "approved by NASW"?

The Social Work Rules of the Mental Health Practice Act require continuing education for licensed clinical social workers, as set forth by the Utah State Department of Occupational and Professional Licensing. The DOPL requirements spell out those continuing education activities that qualify for approval. A workshop sponsor may choose to not apply for NASW approval and may advertise that, in the opinion of the sponsor, the workshop meets DOPL's requirements. It then becomes the responsibility of the LCSW or SSW to decide if he or she feels comfortable attending the workshop under those conditions. Most workshop sponsors choose to seek NASW approval so that the participants are assured that the workshop meets the criteria for continuing education approval. A workshop may not advertise that it has received NASW approval if it has not completed the application process.

How do I keep track of my ceu hours?

You may use any system you choose. A suggested CEU tracking form is available on the Utah Chapter NASW website. If you are audited, you will be required to submit documentation of attendance at workshops and conferences, proof of completion of home study or on-line courses, and outlines of continuing education classes taught.

Why do some workshops refuse to give our ceu certificates until the workshop is over?

Participants must attend the entire workshop to earn a certificate of completion. If you arrive late or leave early, you will receive an amended certificate.

I am a CSW, do I need ceu's?

No, since CSW is a transitional license, there is **no** ceu requirement.

Take Approved CEU's Through UTNASW's Online CE Institute!

Did you know that recent changes to Utah's licensing law allows you to earn more ceu's online and through home study?

LCSW's can earn 15 out of 40 ceu's and SSW's can earn 10 out of 20 ceu's through approved online courses, podcasts, and home study every two years.

NASW, Utah has hundreds of APPROVED online and home study ceu's available through our newly launched, and very user- friendly **ONLINE CE INSTITUTE!**

If you enjoy the convenience of online and home study ceu's, but worry about whether or not they are "approved," visit our website at www.utnasw.org and access our ONLINE CE INSTITUTE. All ceu's through the ONLINE CE INSTITUTE are Utah NASW approved for continuing education credit!

NASW Member Discounts!

Utah NASW Launches HelpPRO® Therapist Finder

A great source for professional referrals!

Here in the NASW office, we receive many inquiries from people looking for licensed clinical social workers. In response to this, the Utah Chapter is promoting the HelpPRO Therapist Finder. This is an online registry of licensed clinical social workers which includes areas of specialization, office location and insurance information.

For a single annual fee (reduced for NASW members) your practice information is listed in both the therapist finder and the social work finder.

We are hoping to build our Utah registry of licensed clinical social workers in order to better serve the community. If you are a licensed clinical social worker interested in building your practice, consider utilizing this comprehensive and easy service.

The annual fee for a basic listing is \$30 for NASW members, and \$75 for non-members. For more information, go to our website, under QUICK LINKS, click on "find a social worker," or go to www.helppro.com.

NASW –Utah is promoting HelpPRO® as a service to its members and the community, and receives no incentives or kickbacks from HelpPRO® or other entities.

NASW Spring Professional Education Series 2011

Approved for SSW's and LCSW's

Friday, May 13th \$40 members/\$55 Non-members

9:00a-12:00p Kristin Hodson, LCSW (3 ceu's)

Recognizing Prenatal Mood Disorders

1:00p-4:00p Paul Carbone, MD (3 ceu's)

Understanding Autism Spectrum Disorders

Friday, May 20th \$85 members \$115 non-members ALL DAY

8:30a-3:30p Jim Struve, LCSW (7 ceu's) *MINDFULNESS LUNCH INCLUDED*

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For more information or to register

visit us at www.utnasw.org

or

801-583-8855

*All workshops held at the University of Utah College of Social Work.
Free parking across the street in the east stadium lot.*

NASW Advocacy for Clinical Social Workers

Highlights of 2010

On behalf of NASW members, the Association engages in a variety of advocacy efforts to improve social work practice. Below are some of the highlights from 2010.

Medicare Reimbursement for Health and Behavior Assessment and Intervention CPT Codes

Currently, clinical social workers are unable to receive reimbursement for Medicare services performed under the Health and Behavior Assessment and Intervention Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) Codes. These codes identify services related to the psychological, behavioral, emotional, cognitive, and social factors significant to prevention, treatment, or management of a physical illness. During 2010, NASW had several discussions, including a face-to-face meeting with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to reverse this decision and allow clinical social workers payment access to these codes. CMS is considering the request and informed NASW that it would also be helpful for the Association to seek a legislative change of the definition of "clinical social work" in order for clinical social workers to receive payment. NASW's Government Relations Department is reviewing possibilities for legislative consideration. NASW's efforts to obtain payment of these codes are ongoing.

Social Security Disability Eligibility Determinations

Clinical social workers are unable to determine eligibility determinations for persons with a disabling mental illness applying for Social Security disability benefits. In partnership with the Clinical Social Work Association, NASW submitted a request to the Social Security Administration to allow clinical social workers to become "medical sources" to determine eligibility for disability benefits. Documents detailing education, evidence-based practice, supervision, regulations and statutes were submitted to substantiate that clinical social workers had the requisite expertise and skills to determine eligibility for Social Security mental health benefits. The Social Security Administration is reviewing NASW's application, however it may take several months to receive a response.

For more clinical social work resources visit SocialWorkers.org/practice/clinical/default.asp.

Low Reimbursement Fees

Through its participation on the American Medical Association Relative Value Update-Committee and its Health Care Professional Advisory Committee, NASW is advocating for increases in reimbursement for clinical social workers. To determine reimbursement rates, over 75 percent of health plans use the resource based formula and work and practice-expense values approved by CMS and these committees. During the summer of 2010, NASW participated in a psychotherapy survey during the Five Year Review Process of CPT codes sponsored by CMS and the American Medical Association. The purpose of the survey was to determine if new work values for CPT psychiatric codes were warranted. Work values comprise 54 percent of the CPT codes and include the mental effort, skills, and time it takes to perform a psychotherapy service. NASW invited the Clinical Social Work Association to participate in the survey process, and between members of both associations, over 532 clinical social workers participated in the survey process. Although the survey results revealed that work-values should be decreased, due to the low-values submitted by clinical social workers, implementation of these values will not take place at this time. Instead, clinical social workers will have another opportunity to participate in a new survey using new CPT psychiatric codes that are currently being developed.

Social Work Representation on the DSM-V

The Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders – Fourth Edition (DSM-IV) is currently being revised by the American Psychiatric Association and will soon become the DSM-V. Clinical social workers expressed concerns about lack of representation on the DSM-V Committee. NASW made several unsuccessful requests to the American Psychiatric Association for representation on the DSM-V Committee and its subcommittees. However, the Association did submit comments to the draft DSM-V during the public comment period in April 2010 and requested that members also submit comments. Clinical social workers have been accepted for clinical trials for the DSM-V, and NASW was involved in developing clinical indicators for clinical social workers to participate in the clinical trials.

These highlights are just a few examples of NASW's advocacy efforts. More information is available on NASW's Web site at SocialWorkers.org. NASW strives to meet the needs of members and encourages them to inform the association of areas of concern affecting the social work practice community.

2011-2012 NASW Utah Board of Directors Election

Your E-Ballot will be available on our website after

April 30th, 2011!

Go to www.utnasw.org

⇒ ***View candidates' biographical information***

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Learn more about the
candidates at:

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April 30th at:

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801-583-8855 or naswemail@yahoo.com

Elise Hutchings Establishes Award and Scholarship Recognizing Dedication to Social Work at Its Intersection With NASW

Longtime NASW member, board member, and University of Utah alumnae, Elise Hutchings has established both an annual award and scholarship for outstanding University of Utah social work students who demonstrate academic aptitude and leadership in NASW at its intersection with social work practice.

The *National Association of Social Workers Annual Award* recognizes an outstanding graduating student for his/her commitment to the relevance of NASW in social work practice. This year's recipient is **Stephen Moore**, an advanced standing MSW student. Stephen has demonstrated an interest in and dedicated service to social work practice, shown recognition of the role NASW plays at various level of social work practice, and displayed enthusiastic involvement in NASW. Stephen will be honored at the University of Utah along with other award recipients at the end of April. Congratulations to Stephen, and a very gracious thank you to Ms. Elise Hutchings for her generous support of social work and NASW.

Look for additional details regarding the *Elise Kasteler Hutchings Scholarship for Leadership in NASW* at :
www.socwk.utah.edu/students/financialaidscholarships.html

NASW/ASI Launches New Life Line Health Screening Benefit for NASW Members and their Families!

ASI has just launched a new benefit, **Life Line Health Screening**, under the Health Choices Program. Why? Four out of five strokes occur with no warning, and cardiovascular disease is our #1 cause of death and a leading cause of disabilities.

Life Line provides affordable, convenient, preventive health screening and medical testing that can help NASW members and their loved ones detect serious health problems (like blocked arteries, irregular heart rhythm, and aneurysms), for follow up with a physician or emergency room, or that can help allay concerns of healthy individuals* giving them peace of mind.

ASI is offering access to this affordable service to all NASW members and their loved ones**, hoping it may particularly benefit those with inadequate coverage, or those with no health coverage at all due to eligibility issues, so that they might proactively avoid expensive, life-changing medical catastrophes.

NASW and ASI care about NASW members and are working hard to increase membership value and to add even *more* meaningful, affordable new benefits for them. ASI receives no revenue from Life Line for this program so that we can pass any profits directly to NASW members in the form of the lowest possible discount price available (\$129***) for the Life Line *Stroke, Vascular Disease and Heart Rhythm Package* of four major Life Line health screening tests for: 1. Stroke / Carotid Artery Disease; 2. Abdominal aortic aneurysm (AAA); 3. Peripheral arterial disease (PAD); and 4. Heart Rhythm Screening (Atrial Fibrillation). This series of tests would typically cost in the \$Thousands if ordered by your physician.

You can make online appointments for themselves and their family members at www.lifelinescreening.com/nasw or by phone with a caring Life Line call representative at **1-888-466-7876**. A launch announcement is also available at http://www.naswassurance.org/news.php?page_id=34

Additional NASW members will be notified about Life Line Health Screening availability on an ongoing basis. This is based on the scheduling of mobile screening units in local communities.

*Although NASW members and their families are free to participate in the Life Line screening services as they choose, and we know that individuals have followed up with their physicians for life-saving services as a result, it's always good to consult your physician beforehand or if your screening results indicate any sort of problem, for a recommendation on what may be best for you.

**Please don't miss the fact that NASW members are being provided this benefit so that they are able to in-

Expense-Paid Training Opportunity for Social Workers, Nurses and Pharmacists on Oral Chemotherapy Adherence

The National Coalition for Cancer Survivorship (NCCS), the National Association of Social Workers (NASW), the Oncology Nursing Society (ONS) and the Association of Oncology Social Work (AOSW) are pleased to host a Train-the-Trainer conference on cancer oral medication adherence at the NASW National Office in Washington, DC on **Wednesday June 15, 2011**. This one-day conference will provide attendees with the knowledge and skills necessary to train their colleagues in promoting adherence to cancer oral medication among patients and their family members. Thirty (30) people will be selected to participate in this one-day training, which will be led by social work, nursing and pharmacy professionals. Preference will be given to team applications. **Expenses related to the conference (travel, lodging and meals) will be covered by NASW.** In the 12 months following the conference, each attendee will be required to train at least 20 of his/her professional peers.

Applications Due: Monday, April 25th.

Click here to download the application materials: <http://www.socialworkers.org/practice/health/TOT2011.asp>

Utah Chapter Establishes Tom Mulder Memorial Fund

The Utah Chapter is pleased to announce the *Tom Mulder Memorial Fund*. Tom Mulder (1938-2008) is a well known Salt Lake City artist who brought India, Mexico, Italy, and France to Utah through his beautiful paintings. In addition to being an accomplished artist, Tom was a kind and generous man. Among his many charitable works, Tom donated to and supported AIDS and LGBT-related events focused on promoting awareness, acceptance and understanding.

Recently, Tom Mulder's family generously donated five of Tom's early works to the Utah Chapter which were subsequently sold to various art collectors. The collection and sale of these pieces was spear-headed and facilitated by NASW board of directors Vice President, Don R. Austin.

The money generated from the sale of this artwork is designated for educational events focused on LGBT issues, and will be managed through the *NASW Foundation*. The first workshop supported by the Fund, focused on supporting families through the coming-out process, will be held in June or July. Details are still being finalized, but more information about this evening workshop will be forthcoming.

Establishing the Tom Mulder Memorial Fund came from the generous donation made by the Mulder family, John Bennett who represented the family, Don R Austin, vice president Utah Chapter of NASW who coordinated the fundraiser, Emily Bleyl, Chapter executive and the NASW Board of Directors for supporting the project, as well as the NASW Foundation, administrators of the fund. A big thank you to all involved!

If you are interested in contributing to this fund, please contact Emily Bleyl at 801-583-8855 or naswemail@yahoo.com.

Important Numbers

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NASW Branch Meetings/Brown Bags *Free ceu's for members!*

Meetings offer free continuing education credits for NASW members, and are held in each branch on a regular basis (except in the summer in some branches). Questions? Call us at 801-583-8855 or your branch representative.

Northern Branch: Branch Representative: Nathan Hadley 801-334-2204

Topics and Dates TBD (look for announcements online and our mailings!)

Salt Lake Branch: Branch Representatives: Rebecca Mabe 801-582-1565 x 2321

May 5, 2011 12p-1p

Topic: *Come to Your Senses: New Research on Mind Body Bridging*

Location: VA Main Street Clinic
2970 South Main Street, Lincoln Room
Salt Lake City, UT

June 1, 2011 12p-1p

Topic: *Couples Therapy with the Seriously and Persistently Mentally Ill Population*

Location: VA Main Street Clinic
2970 South Main Street, Lincoln Room
Salt Lake City, UT

Utah County/Central Utah Branch: Branch Representative: Marilee Vanwagenen, LCSW

Meetings are held every third Wednesday of the month from 10a-12p

Location: All meetings are held at Utah County Courthouse, 4th Floor Ballroom, 51 S. University Ave. Provo

April 20, 2011 10a-12p

Topic: *Treating Addictions and Mental Illness using Music Therapy*

May 18, 2011 10a-12p

Topic: *Healing Diverse Communities Through Dialogue*

June 15, 2011 10a-12p

Topic: *Children and Trauma*

July 20, 2011 10a-12p

Topic: **To be determined**

Cedar City Branch: Branch Representative: Kimball Weaver (435) 590-6758

Meetings are ongoing and held the 3rd Tuesday of each month, 11:30a -1p

Location: All meetings held at the Garden House Restaurant 164 S. 100 W. Cedar City

St. George Branch: Branch Representative: Rosemary Niedzwicki, LCSW

Location: All meetings held at Dixie State State College School of Nursing Russell Taylor Health Svcs. Bldg
1526 Medical Center Drive, Room 158 St. George

May 4, 2011 11:30a-1:00p

Topic: *Appropriate Medication Choices for Acute and Chronic Pain*

June 1, 2011 11:30a-1:00p

Topic: *Forensic Social Work*

Review Questions

Read this newsletter —pass the quiz (70%) — receive 1.5 ceu's!

FREE FOR NASW MEMBERS \$10 FOR NON MEMBERS

- 1) HB 244, which NASW opposed until further discussion on the issue could be had, would have:
 - A. allowed CSWs to practice as independent contractors
 - B. offered in-state tuition to any graduate of a Utah high school, regardless of immigration status
 - C. allowed mental health therapists to conduct therapy remotely to individuals outside of the state of Utah.
- 2) ClergyBridge is a community organization which:
 - A. assists victims of abuse in contacting their religious leaders to facilitate the healing process
 - B. tries to bridge the gap between social services and the religious sector, assisting clergy in addressing the mental health issues of their parishioners.
 - C. teaches the leaders of religious denominations to construct bridges in developing countries
- 3) Recent changes to social work licensing in the state of Utah include:
 - A. requiring all LCSWs and SSWs to obtain 10 hours of Ethics CEUs in every two year licensing cycle
 - B. allowing LCSWs to roll over up to 20 CEUs to the next licensing cycle
 - C. requiring all SSWs to obtain 20 hours of CEUs every two years.
- 4) During 2010, NASW engaged in advocacy efforts on behalf of all of the following except:
 - A. advocating for the discontinuation of CPT codes to streamline the billing process for clinical social workers
 - B. meeting with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to allow clinical social workers to receive reimbursement for Medicare services
 - C. working with the Social Security Administration to allow clinical social workers to be able to determine eligibility for disability benefits
- 5) NASW offers members free CEUs in the form of branch meetings throughout the state. Some of the upcoming topics include all of the following except:
 - A. Healing Communities Through Dialogue
 - B. Appropriate Medication Choices in Acute and Chronic Pain
 - C. Dialectical Behavior Therapy



Answers**Where should we send your certificate?****Checklist**

1. _____ Name _____
2. _____ Address _____
3. _____ _____
4. _____ Email _____
NASW Member? **Y** **N** (if no, fee required)

- Fill in the answers
- Fill out your name, address , email
- and enclose \$10 fee (\$10 if NOT a member of NASW. FREE for members!**

-Return to:
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395 S. 1500 E.
SLC, UT 84112

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