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FINAL CHAPTER - RIDGES & HOLLERS REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S 2009 MID-YEAR REPORT SEPTEMBER 11, 2009 LOUISVILLE, KY

D. Calvert Brand

The last six months have seemed fairly quiet, but behind the scenes it has been pretty busy. As usual, we had a heavy agenda at the Regional Directors' Convocation. Meeting in March did mean somewhat better weather. Being my last time with this special group of ACPE folk made it a bit sad. It has been good to be together with the other regional directors and ACPE staff these past five years.

Part of our work was to make preparations for each region to learn about and provide feedback for the *Self-Study of Organizational Structure* Task Force led by Sally Schwab. Ted Hodge and Yoke Lye Lim Kwong serve on the task force from the ECR. Time has been set aside for this important undertaking at this meeting in Louisville.

It was also the first time we met with Deborah Wisnand as the new Director for FCPE. All the legal pieces are now in place and the Foundation is moving forward. We will also be hearing from FCPE at this meeting.

The ECR Personnel Committee received and reviewed applications for the new Regional Director. Interviews were conducted and a selection was made. Pending approval by at our business meeting, we will have a new Regional Director beginning October 1st.

Members and friends of the Louisville Cluster for CPE have been busy with preparations for this meeting. As a member of that group, I am aware of the good work that has gone into making this meeting both meaningful and enjoyable.

We have said our farewells to Connie Bonner as she moved to Florida and welcomed a new Accreditation Committee chair in the person of Ruth Alpers. We have also seen a flurry of communications about the new ACPE Accreditation practice of using specially trained and paid site visit team leaders. As of this time it seems most of the objections (mostly about \$s) have been addressed and the plan is moving forward.

Several of our members have been affected by sickness, sorrow or other life changes since we met last. Frank Ciampa has completed radiation treatment for prostate cancer and is doing well. Lin Barnett continues to address his cancer. Susan Keyser underwent hip surgery, Sarah Reed suffered heart problems and shingles, and Martha Amann had double knee replacement surgery. Mary Burks-Price lost her father. Sue Breiner and Orin Newberry both grieved the death of their mothers. David Hurst's spouse, Susan, is recovering well from major cardiac surgery. And, Urias Beverly, Jerry Niklas and Wade Rowatt have retired.

As my term as Regional Director comes to its end, my focus has shifted to efforts do a unit of Supervisory CPE in Kenya this January – April, 2010. I am very grateful for the support and encouragement I have received for the ECR, and especially the Louisville Cluster.

It has been a wonderful ride. The faithfulness of our region's leadership, officers, committee chairs and members have made the job easier than I might have expected. Keeping my mouth shut and my (many) opinions to myself (pretty much) has not been as difficult as I anticipated. The welcome and trust I experienced from ECR members has been heart-warming. The ever faithful and good natured help provided by Joan Lyke has been sustaining. The opportunity to reach out to those in some kind of struggle or difficulty – personal or professional – has warmed my heart and guided my prayers. And the opportunity to celebrate achievements in certification and accreditation has been a delight. Thanks for this special chance to serve and strengthen the ECR community and mission.

[This report was written prior to the Saturday morning Executive Council meeting where an action was taken to participate in supporting an ACPE New Generation project. That project is the provision of a unit of Supervisory CPE in Kenya – which I am hoping to do, God willing. I am very grateful for this support].

Respectfully submitted, Cal Brand, Regional Director

CAN YOU BELIEVE?

Dennis Kenny, Regional Director

Hello: This is my first article as the new East Central Regional Director. I'm honored to be chosen and I look forward to serving the region.

I have been told that my first priority is to name my column for the newsletter. We've had "Frankly Speaking," and "Ridges and Hollers," and I've received several suggestions already: For example "Dennis's Delirium" and "Dennis's Humble Deliberations" don't seem to fit for one reason or another. "The River's On Fire," is a no. Amy Greene suggests "Hang On... Let Me Ask Amy."

Whatever the name, I see the purpose of the column is: to inform, to prod our collective thinking and to dialogue with each other. I Invite responses and hope you send comments, challenges, and feedback to either Joan or me. We'll publish as many as we can.

I have also been asked what my first priorities will be. They are, in order: hospitality, seminars on supervision, and succession planning. I'll talk more about each as we go. One of the priorities talked about at the national level is communicating decisions made at the Board of Reps and Commission levels to the regions. I hope the newsletter will help that process.

For now, I'm going to call the RD's column, "Can You Believe?" There is a lot to believe in ACPE and in the East Central Region. There is a lot at which to be amazed. Whether we need to trust and believe or be amazed and doubt I'll talk about it and hope you will to. Write and send your comments.

Love, Dennis
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STANDARDS COMMITTEE REPORT 2010

Joe Viti

Below is a letter from Jay Foster, National Chair of Standards, about 2010 Standards and Manuals approved by the ACPE Board as of August 20, 2009. He outlines how we are moving forward with the 2010 edition including when it will go into effect, publication, distribution, listing important changes.

The 2010 Standards and Manuals were posted on the ACPE website September 17, 2009. A Power Point is also available on-line that highlights the pertinent changes in the Standards. There is, in the planning stages, a presentation of the Power Point, entitled Key Changes that will be presented and discussed at Hueston Woods, Feb 19-20, 2010. If you have any concerns or questions please contact me: jviti@lutheran-hosp.com; or (260)-435-7724.

Standards Committee Report – September 2010

ACPE Board Approves 2010 Standards & Manuals

August 20th 2009 was a **RED LETTER** day—the ACPE Board approved the 2010 Standards & Manuals, and thereby the first five year revision cycle for reviewing, improving and releasing the Standards and Manuals was complete. My thanks go out to many people—in particular, all of the Standards Committee representatives, the Chairs of the Commissions, the presidents of ACPE, our Assistant and Executive Directors, and Jerry Williamson, our gifted and patient and kind editor. Each of these folk contributed mightily to a good and thorough process, and I am grateful.

Another person to thank is John Roche, the special projects rep in the ACPE Office--- John is, even as I write, working to get the completed Standards and Manuals placed into pdf read only files and placed on our web site for your use. Please note the following:

- ✓ Our goal is to have all documents available to you on line by mid-September.
- ✓ A PowerPoint will be available on line that highlights the pertinent changes in the Standards. We hope that the Standards Reps for each region may have opportunity at regional meetings to present this work and lead discussion.
- ✓ Standards & Manuals are being sent to the printer—details about publication and availability of printed material will be forthcoming.
- ✓ The format has changed—rather than a bound copy, Standards & Manuals will be printed on three hole punched paper and distributed to you. This will be less expensive than bound copies, and will help us to facilitate any changes that may be necessary between this printing and 2015.

My guess is that you are curious about at least two things—1. When do these new Standards go into effect? 2. What are the important changes? The answer to the first question is January 1, 2010. Please know that Standards Committee, Commission Chairs and the Board have all worked hard to get these materials to you as quickly as possible. In fact, this September printing represents the earliest publication of new ACPE Standards in my memory—last time it was published as late as November. Second, here are the major changes to Standards (all of which have been through the study document and review process):

- ✓ Definition of Terms: in previous Standards & Manuals, glossary definitions varied from one manual to the next; in this edition, there is one glossary called the Definition of Terms. *Review and use of the Definition of Terms will be important to your accurate understanding of the Standards.*
- ✓ Standard 303.1 ff: further definition of ratio of supervisor to student at each program level of CPE.
- ✓ Standard 307.6—additional requirements for Admission to Supervisory CPE include “adequately addressing the Spiritual Care Collaborative Common Standards for Chaplains.”
- ✓ Standards 308.9—Program Standards for Supervisory CPE have now been established.
- ✓ Standard 400—New Standards have been established that define what we have called “pre-certification,” that is, the role and function for Supervisory Education Students admitted to Supervisory CPE but not yet officially in the Certification process (this process begins when the Certification Sub-Committee grants status as Supervisory Candidate)
- ✓ Accreditation Manual: Appendix 19 has been vastly simplified and is now titled Appendix 5
- ✓ Certification Manual—updates that parallel new Standards in Certification; also, improvements to process following intensive review of the Manual by Commission and Task Force members.

Finally, I am sure that questions will arise as we work into this new set of Standards. Please feel encouraged to call upon the Standards representative from your region, or give me an email or call.

Sincerely,

Jay Foster, Chair

Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center

jdfoster@wfubmc.edu; Northeast Region, [Peggy J. Kieras](#) 2009 (2), Eastern Region, [Keith Espenshade](#) 2010 (1) Mid-Atlantic Region, [Beth Jackson-Jordan](#) 2010 (1), Southeast Region, [Fred Smoot](#) 2011 (1), East Central Region, [Joseph Viti](#) 2010 (1), North Central Region, [David R. Rumbold](#) 2010 (2), South Central Region, [Sheila Hammond](#) 2009 (1), Southwest Region, [Leo Blanchard](#) 2009 (1), Pacific Region , [Gordon J. Hillsman](#) 2009 (1).

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The business office (Joan Lyke’s) telephone number has been changed from: (734) 426-5099; **the new number is (734) 239-3423.**
- At the fall regional conference, the Administrative Council approved a proposed **revision of the Regional Governance Manual**. The revisions will be voted on at the February 19-20, 2010 Regional Meeting. The proposed revisions can be read and downloaded from the Regional website. Click on the “INFORMATION” menu selection item on the left of the first page of the website and then click on the name “Proposed Revision to

Regional Governance Manual” (note that the name is a link to the document even though it is not underlined). A copy of the document is attached to this message.

- Reminder: The **ACPE Self-Study of Organizational Structure – Feedback Report** form was e-mailed in September and it is available on the regional website. If you have not completed the survey – please do so at your earliest convenience. Fax to: Marla Coulter-McDonald at 513-585-3171.

ACCREDITATION NEWS, NOTES AND – DEADLINES FOR 10-YEAR REVIEWS, SITE VISITS, ETC.

Accreditation Deadlines: For 10 year reviews and any other Accreditation Site Visit requests (e.g., Satellite to Accredited Center) contact Ruth Alpers for deadline information.

- Reminder: Satellite Materials (see pages 32-34 in the Accreditation Manual) need to be in at least 30 days before beginning a program at the Satellite center and that a provisional letter must be received from the Accreditation Chair prior to recruiting students.

Direct your questions and/or requests for more information to: Accreditation Chairperson: Rabbi Ruth Alpers, Jay Stein Director of Human Relations, Hebrew Union College, 3101 Clifton Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45220-2475. ralpers@huc.edu

CERTIFICATION COMMITTEE DEADLINES

The next opportunity to meet the ECR Certification Committee will be Thursday, February 18, 2010.

- **Application to meet a committee** along with the certification fee must be **postmarked by Wednesday, December 23, 2009** to: Frank S. Impiciche, ACPE Supervisor, Coordinator, CPE, Clarian Health, 550 University Blvd., UH 1410, Indianapolis, IN 46202-5250. (Office 317-274-7415) (Fax 317-274-7440)
- **Materials to committee members** must be postmarked by **Thursday, January 21, 2010**.
- Questions/inquiries regarding the Regional Certification Committee to: Frank Impiciche, fimpicci@clarian.org (Office 317-274-7415) (Fax 317-274-7440)
- Questions/inquiries regarding the National Certification Commission to: Beth Newton Watson, Certification Co-Chair 317-217-3192; bwatson@clarian.org;

JOB/EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

- Ohio State Medical Center, Columbus, Ohio is currently seeking a **Staff Chaplain** (job ID #345411) to join the Department of Chaplaincy and Clinical Pastoral Education. Responsible for the delivery of pastoral care to patients, their loved ones and as appropriate, staff. Must have Master's of Divinity/Theology degree and a minimum of four units of CPE (ACPE). Board Certification or Board certificate eligibility in national chaplains association required. Reports to the Director of Department of Chaplaincy and CPE. And,
- **Clinical Pastoral Education Supervisor** (job ID #346752) primarily responsible for development and management of CPE (ACPE) residency program. In collaboration with department director and Medical Center Pastoral Advisory Committee develops curriculum, supervises students and evaluates program for continuous improvement. Teaching, research and pastoral care opportunities. Must be ACPE Certified Supervisor or Associate Supervisor. To apply: complete job application and attach a resume: <http://www.medicalcenter.osu.edu/careers>. Benefits information: <http://hr.osu.edu>; Recruiting Contact: Kelly.catlett@osumc.edu.

A Personal Invitation from the Editor

Dear Spiritual Care Colleague:

You are hereby invited to share your most memorable spiritual care interventions so that others in similar situations can gain from your experience. Just e-mail them to me at [mariejohn50@ att.net](mailto:mariejohn50@att.net) as Microsoft Word document attachments containing:

1. a brief narrative description of the situation, the recipient(s) of the care, and what you did;
2. a brief narrative of what you might have done differently for a better outcome, if any; and
3. the central issue involved.

Your work will be processed and added completely anonymously to a growing knowledge base that will eventuate in evidence-based spiritual care best practices. You may see (and use) the collection to date by clicking on "Special Section: Ideal Intervention Paper (IIP) Project" at <http://www.ACPEresearch.net> for examples. Educators, please encourage your students to participate as well.

Many thanks in advance,

Jack

(Rev.) John J. Gleason, D.Min.

ACPE Supervisor Emeritus, BCC (Retired)

Grant Awarded

Last week the East Central ACPE Region Administrative Council voted a grant in the amount of \$500 to be used in 2010 for development and research activity related to the Ideal Intervention Project. The Council has supported the Project in 2008 and 2009 with a \$1,500 grant, and is also encouraging exploration of other granting sources. Your ideas are most welcome in this crucial area.

Reader Responses

A day after receiving the August e-Newsletter, one reader shared this reaction to the list of central issue identifiers now available for study. "Wow! I must admit to being skeptical about this project, but was I ever wrong! This is fantastic! Thanks for your persistence and hard work!"

A retired seminary professor of pastoral psychology wrote, "I am impressed with the Ideal Intervention Project... Are CPE students grasping the importance of this benefits-oriented program for their proof of productivity to Medicare, etc?" Ed: One could further ask, are CPE *Supervisors* grasping the importance of the project's potential in justifying training budgets using the language of and addressing the values of administrative decision-makers?

A CPE Supervisor asked, "Could supervisory issues/interventions be included in the knowledge base?" Ed: Yes, most definitely.

To-Do List

CPE Supervisors, don't forget to remind your students to forward (after review in individual supervision) their *Ideal Intervention Papers* as Word document attachments to mariejohn50@att.net for processing into the growing IIP knowledge base. Have students provide a copy of their cover e-mail message to document that they have taken that last important step.

All clergy, chaplains, pastoral counselors, educators and other spirit-oriented practitioners, please forward your completed *Ideal Intervention Papers* in like manner.

Please contact the Editor at mariejohn50@att.net with your requests, questions and comments.

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DEADLINE FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER

The deadline for the November newsletter is: Friday, October 30, 2009. Send to: hjoanlyke@yahoo.com or via mail: 7672 Cottonwood Lane, Dexter MI 48130. For more information contact: 734-239-3423.

SUPERVISORY EDUCATION IN THE REGION

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Joe Viti, Standards

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **11/3-8/2009-ACPE Board, Committees & Commissions, Atlanta, GA**
- **02/04-06/2010-REM Invitational, San Antonio, TX**
- **02/19-20/2010-ECR Spring Conference, Hueston Woods State Park, College Corner, OH**
- **09/24-25/2010-Fort Wayne Marriott, Fort Wayne, IN**

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