## NASSAU CHAPTER ANNUAL CONFERENCE

"How Suicide Stigma Affects the Bereaved: What Health Professionals Need to Know"

DATE: Saturday, March 21st, 2015

TIME: 8:30 am – 1:15 pm

LOCATION: Molloy College/Kellenberg Building, James F. Campbell Reception Room (see below link for campus map)

http://www.molloy.edu/Documents/Career%20Development%20Center/Campus%20Map.pdf

Speakers: William Feigelman, PHD

Beverly Feigelman, LCSW

Space is limited – Registration is first come, first served basis

## **Program Overview:**

The program will feature William and Beverly Feigelman's story of losing their 31 year-old son to a drug-related suicide and how they eventually rose from this tragedy, conducting one of the largest ever surveys of bereaved parents. Their study provides much guidance to the bereaved and clinicians, illuminating the pathways of those facing traumatic loss bereavement. This work also identifies important roles that health professionals can play in better helping the bereaved and in doing more effective suicide prevention. Included in the presentation will be a 22 minute documentary film about suicide loss and recovery entitled "AFTER"

## Schedule of Events:

8:30am-9:00 am - Registration, Continental Breakfast & Networking

9:00 am- 9:15 am - Introductory Remarks

9:15 am - 10:45 am - Part One:

Losing Jesse: The Perfect Storm

Myths & facts about suicide bereavement: 20 questions

Suicide statistics: How many survivors?

AFTER: Documentary film screening and discussion

The Child Loss Survey

Suicide stigma: Then and now the impact of suicide on the bereaved

Disenfranchised grief, complicated grief and affinities with drug overdose death

10:45 am - 11:00 am BREAK

11:00 am - 12:45 pm - Part Two:

- Bereavement after suicide loss: Early and later years
- How the bereaved use healing aids
- The bereaved's expectations of health providers
- Therapist post-loss contact with bereaved families
- Best clinical practices for supporting bereaved families

12:45 pm - 1:00 pm - Review and Questions

- Review of myths and facts about suicide bereavement questions
- Question and answer

## Speaker's Bios

William Feigelman, PhD, is a Socialogist and Emeritus Professor from Nassau Community College where he has taught for over 40 years. He has authored and co-authored six books and more than 40 journal articles on a wide variety of social science subjects. Since 2002, after his son Jesse's suicide, Dr. Feigelman has focused his professional writings on youth suicide and suicide bereavement.

Beverly Feigelman, LCSW is an Adjunct Professor of Social Work at Adelphi Univeristy, former Director of the Manhasset Community Day Center of LIJ-Hillside Medical Center and Assistant Director of the Adelphi University School of Social Work, Field Eduation. Ms. Feigelman currently maintains a private practice in Queens providing family and individual therapy. She is author and co-author of several articles on suicide bereavement, addiction treatment and social work education.

Both presenters are co-authors of a new book on traumatic loss bereavement:

Devastating Losses: How Parents Cope with the Death of a Child to Suicide or Drugs. (NY: Springer, 2012).

Advanced Clinical Education Foundation of the NYSSCSW, Inc., SW CPE is recognized by the New York State Education Department's State Board for Social Work as an approved provider of continuing education for licensed social workers #0056.

CEU CREDITS: This course will constitute 3.75 contact hours for 3.75 CEU Credits

Registration Fees/Cancellation:

Category Pre-registration On-site

(Before 3/16/15)

NYSSCSW Member	\$55	\$65
Non-Members	\$70	\$80
Students w/IDs	\$25	\$35

Cancellation received at least (5) days before the event will be fully refundable. There is no refund for cancellations received after March 16th.

Make checks or money order payable to: ACE FOUNDATION On-site registration - checks, money order or cash only.

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