

**TITLE**

Communicating with Clients Who Have Life-limiting or Chronic Illnesses

**CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS**

3 hours

**GOALS**

Clinical professionals in the field of social work and other health care disciplines regularly deal with the challenges that arise when clients are diagnosed with chronic or life-limiting illnesses. Skilled communication techniques are key to providing the optimal level of education about the conditions and minimizing psycho-social distress. This session will cover techniques of communication with clients with chronic or life-limiting conditions, an overview of treatment options and the ethical principles that drive how decisions are made at this time of life.