

## Pioneer Valley Regional Council 2017-2018 Workshop Schedule

Relevant and Interesting Workshops and Meetings for All Social Workers in the Pioneer Valley for the 2017/18 Program Year

The NASW Pioneer Regional Council offers the meetings and workshops listed below which will be held mainly in Northampton, with two in Greenfield. In addition, our **Private Practice Shared Interest Group** continues to meet in Greenfield. This Group discusses the business of private practice and has developed a network of private practitioners over the years to share expertise and support each other. Topics discussed include: insurance reimbursement, how to get on insurance lists, and networking for referrals between therapists. When attending a meeting, you can also join their Private Practice ListServ.

For further information or assistance, contact our Western MA Regional Coordinator, Jeff Schrenzel, at 413 782-1757 or by email, [jschrenz@wne.edu](mailto:jschrenz@wne.edu). We hope to see you at a number of these activities in the upcoming year!

**Northampton and Greenfield meetings:  
7:15-7:30pm-Registration 7:30-9:00 pm-CE Program  
Free for NASW Members - Non-members \$10**

Advance Registration is not necessary. All workshops approved for 1.5 CEs

<b>Thursday, September 14, 2017:</b>	Northampton
"Is Our Culture Shortening Our Attention Span: What Social Workers Need to Know". Karen Nolen, LICSW, Private Practice	
<b>Thursday, October 19, 2017:</b>	Northampton
"Social Work in End of Life Care". Mary Stanton, LICSW, Private Practice	
<b>Thursday, November 16, 2017:</b>	Greenfield (Conf. Room A)
"Acceptance and Commitment Therapy for Addictions". Levin Schwartz, LICSW, Director, Clinical and Reentry Services, Franklin Co. Sheriff's Office	
<b>Thursday, February 15, 2018:</b>	Northampton
"Helping DCF Parents Heal: A Collaborative Group Model". Audra Winn, LICSW, Gandara Center	
<b>Thursday, March 22, 2018:</b>	Northampton
"Should You Bring Hypnosis Into Your Practice?". Darlene Corbett, LICSW, Private Practice	
<b>Thursday, April 26, 2018:</b>	Greenfield (Conf. Room C)
"Supporting Healthy Brain Development Now that Marijuana is Legal in Massachusetts". Sharon Hall-Smith, MPH, Stop Access Coalition Coordinator, Gandara Center	
<b>Thursday, May 3, 2018:</b>	Northampton
"Common Factors - What Causes Change in Psychotherapy?". Jim Drisko, Ph.D., LICSW, Professor, Smith College School for Social Work	

**All Northampton workshops will be in the Dewey Common Room at Smith College.  
The Greenfield workshops take place at the Franklin Medical Center in Conference Room A or C.**

The **Private Practice Shared Interest Group (SIG)** meets in **Greenfield**, from 9-10:30am, at the Franklin Medical Center, in one of the first floor Conference Rooms, usually Conference Room B. These meetings will be on Fridays: 10/6/17, 12/1/17, 2/2/18, 4/6/18 and 6/1/18. The Greenfield contact person is Janet Porcelli, at [Janetporcelli@gmail.com](mailto:Janetporcelli@gmail.com) or 413 548-6217. She can also give you the topic meeting schedule. You can also contact her about joining their Private Practice ListServ. For further information, contact Jeff Schrenzel, our Western MA Coordinator, at 413 782-1757, or [jschrenz@wne.edu](mailto:jschrenz@wne.edu). Visit the NASW website at [www.naswma.org](http://www.naswma.org) to access Pioneer Valley workshop and other regional information by clicking "About Us" and then click "Regional Councils" then "Pioneer Valley". You can join the Pioneer Valley Regional Council email list by contacting Jeff Schrenzel. You can join NASW by visiting [www.joinnasw.org](http://www.joinnasw.org) to be able to attend these workshops for FREE and to enjoy all the other benefits of membership.