PRE-CONFERENCE SESSION

Monday October 7th

CONFERENCE

This program offers up to **20 CEUS** (pending approval by NASW), including up to **8 CEUs** with STSW designated ethics content.

Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center

1 John Nolen Drive, Madison, WI 53703
Monday October 7 – Pre-Conference

1:00pm-2:30pm – Immigration Status and Bias: Supporting Undocumented Immigrants - Naomi Takahashi, MSW, LCSW and Shiva Bidar-Sielaff, MA

2:30pm-2:45pm – Break

2:45pm-4:15pm – Starting the Conversation: Transplant Through a Gender Affirming Care Lens - Margo Edge, LCSW, Teresa Chamorro, Psy.D., and Angela Dao, Psy.D.

6:00pm-7:00pm – Meet and Greet
Tuesday October 8 - Conference Day 1

**8:00am-8:15am** – Opening remarks - STSW President, Clifton Hill

**8:15am-8:30am** – COTA presentation - Rick Lofgren

**8:30am-9:30am** – Keynote: Improving Equity in Access to Transplant: A Pragmatist's Approach (Ethics) - Dr. Lisa McElroy, MD

**9:30am-10:30am** – General session: The Impact of Mental Health on Transplant Outcomes and How to Best Support Patients and Families—Alison Peters, Psy.D.

**10:30am-10:45am** – Break (snacks)

**10:45am-11:45am** – Breakout sessions:

- Hot Topics in Pediatric Transplant Social Work (Pediatrics) - Tina Cole, LISW-S, CCTSW and Molly Dugan, LCSW, CCTSW-MCS
- Psychosocial Impact of Delayed Graft Function in Kidney Transplant (Kidney) - Katie Newton, MSW, LICSW, CCTSW
- The Long Haul: Exploring Empathy, Ethics and Boundaries through a Single Patient (Heart/All, Ethics) - Nicole Wyse, LISW-S, CCTSW-MCS
- Elements and Efficacy of Peer Mentorship Among Lung Transplant Patients (Lung) - Morgan Van Nest, LMSW
- The Implementation of SIPAT in the United Arab Emirates (All) - Fatima Alzaabi, BSW, MSW expected Fall 2024

**11:45am-1:00pm** – Lunch
Tuesday October 8 - Conference Day 1 cont.

1:00pm-2:00pm – Breakout sessions:

**New Transplant Social Worker workshop begins at 12:30pm**

- **Beyond the Scalpel: Understanding the Psychosocial Dynamics, Informed Consent, and Motivations of Living Organ Donors (Donor, Ethics)** - Farrah Desrosiers, LCSW
- **The ethics on evaluating a patient with Alcohol-Related Liver Disease (ARLD) who has no sobriety for early Liver Transplant (eLT): An emerging practice. (Liver, Ethics)** - Joshua Sumner, MSW, LCSW
- **When the Hospital Becomes Home: A Multidisciplinary Approach to Health and Wellness (Pediatrics/Heart/VAD)** - Becky Sulkin, LICSW
- **Until Death Do Us Part: Caring for Aging Transplant Patients (Lung)** - Katherine Havlovic, MSW, LCSW, CCTSW
- **12:30-2:00 - Workshop for the New Transplant Social Worker: Helpful Tools and Techniques** - Kay Kendall, MSW, LISW-S, CCTSW-MCS

2:00pm-2:10pm – Break

2:10pm-3:10pm – General session: The VA National Transplant Program: Why it matters to you and the U.S. Military Veterans you serve - Sally Blake, MSW, LCSW and Lish Serwe-Behnke, CAPSW (WI), LSW (IL)

3:10pm-3:25pm – Break (snacks)
Tuesday October 8th - Conference Day 1 cont.

3:25pm-4:25pm – Breakout sessions:

- When Toxic Positivity Gets Violent: Lessons learned from care of a multi-organ transplant patient (All, Ethics) - Kate Artin, MSW, LCSW, CCTSW-MCS
- The Intersection of Twelve-Step Work and Evidence-Based-Practice (Liver) - Brian Quigley, LICSW, CCTSW
- How to provide health care within the foster care system when biological parents can impede healing: An Ethical Balance (Pediatrics/Kidney, Ethics) - Joy Melo, LICSW, CCTSW, ACM-MSW
- When support vanishes...the impact of "good" transplant supporters (All) - Jacqueline Roman, MSW, LMSW
- A mixed methods study of dialysis social workers’ perspectives on barriers and facilitators to kidney transplantation (Kidney) - Gloria Chen, LCSW-S, CCTSW and Joel Adler, MD, MPH

4:25pm-4:35pm – Break

4:35pm-5:35pm – General session: When 'Thank You' Doesn't Feel Like Enough—Samantha Taylor, MSW

6:00pm-8:00pm

COTA Welcome Reception & Poster Session
Wednesday October 9th - Conference Day 2

8:00am-8:15am – Opening remarks

8:15am-9:15am – General session: Grief and Loss in Transplant Social Work - Johnna Marcus, LICSW and Barb Luby, LICSW

9:15am-10:15am – General session: Assessing for Suicide in Candidates and Recipients of Advanced Therapies and Transplant — Tiffany Coco LCSW, CCTSW-MCS and Bethany Hall LCSW, DBH

10:15am-10:45am – Break (snacks)

10:45am-11:45am – Breakout sessions:
**Living Donor and Pediatrics workshops begin at 10:30am

- Screening and Clinical Guideline Implementation for Patients with Acute Alcoholic Hepatitis in Adult Liver Transplantation – Perspectives from Transplant Social Work (Liver, Ethics) - Susan Dugan Striano, LCSW
- The Impact of Opening a New Kidney Transplant Center to Improve Access to Transplantation (All) - Samicca Berry, LISW-CP, CCTSW
**10:30-12:00 - Living Donor Social Work for The New Social Worker - Katie Newton, MSW, LICSW, CCTSW
**10:30-12:00 - Workshop for new and seasoned Pediatric Transplant Social Workers— Tina Cole, LISW-S, CCTSW and Molly Dugan, LCSW, CCTSW-MCS
Wednesday October 9th - Conference Day 2 cont.

11:45am-1:15pm – Lunch

STSW Business meeting begins at 12:15pm

1:15pm-1:25pm – Break

1:25pm-2:25pm – Breakout sessions:

- **Transplant and Palliative Care and the Beautiful Relationship it Can Be (All)** - Jennifer Schroeder, APSW, MSSW

- **The Right to Refuse in Pediatric Heart Transplant: Should parents have it? (Pediatrics, Ethics)** - Heidi Shapiro, MSW, Psychotherapist

- **Cannabis Use and Kidney Transplantation: Policy Changes and Future Directions (Kidney)** - Emily Patrick, MSW, LSW, Christina Cerra, MSW, LSW, and Renee Maggiaro, MSW, LSW


2:25pm-2:35pm – Break (no snacks)
Wednesday October 9th - Conference Day 2 cont.

2:35pm-3:35pm – Breakout sessions:

- Unexpected Patient Outcomes: Protecting the Patient and the Program (Donor) - Matthew Cooper, MD
- Ethical Considerations around Kidney Transplantation of a “serially violent [pediatric] hemodialysis patient” (Pediatrics, Ethics) - Julia Tuvin, LICSW
- Patient "Buy-In": Does it Matter in Advanced Treatment of Pediatric Heart Failure (Pediatrics, Ethics) - Kathy Daley, LISW-S, CCTSW and Kaitlyn Schenkel, LISW, CCTSW-MCS
- Health literacy in lung transplant patients (Lung) - Misty Rivon, LCSW-S, CCTSW

3:35pm-3:50pm – Break (snacks)

3:50pm-4:50pm – General session: The Role of Neuropsychological Assessment in Transplant Evaluation and Care – Kyle Jennette, Ph.D., MA, Devin Ulrich, Ph.D., Adam Barrett Gray, MSW, LCSW, CCTSW, and Jaclyn Bauer, MSW, LCSW, ACM-SW, CCTSW
Thursday October 10th - Conference Day 3

8:00am-8:15am – Opening remarks

8:15am-9:15am – General session: Serving Amish and Mennonite Transplant Patients and Their Families - Mark Louden, Ph.D.

9:15am-9:30am – Break

9:30am-10:30am – Breakout sessions:
  - The Hero Acts: The Donors are the Best of Our World (Donor) - Joshua Mezrich, MD
  - Gaps in the SIPAT Can Lead to Inadequate Prediction of Post-Transplant Compliance (Lung/All, Ethics) - Kira Parks, LCSW
  - Enhancing Patient Well-being: The Benefits of adjunct therapies in hospitalized transplant patients (All) - Rebecca Vaughn, LCSW, CCTSW, CACII
  - Leveraging Strengths in Development of a Multidisciplinary Transplant Team (All) - Joseph Reilly, MBA, LCSW, CCTSW

10:30am-10:45am – Break (snacks)

10:45am-11:45am – General session: Caregiving in the Future – What the research is telling us and how we can prepare our patients and our programs—Pat Dennis, LCSW, CCTSW, NSW-C and Jennifer Kittinger, MSW, LCSW, CCSW-MCS
Key Note Address:
Improving Equity in Access to Transplant: A Pragmatist's Approach

This session will provide an overview of recent research findings related to access to organ transplant and discuss pragmatic steps that clinicians can take to encourage change in their centers.

Lisa McElroy, MD MS FACS

Lisa McElroy, MD, MS, FACS is an abdominal transplant surgeon and health services researcher at Duke University School of Medicine in Durham, North Carolina.
Two hotels are available. Book by **September 6, 2024**, to secure the group rate.

**Hilton Madison Monona Terrace**  
Address: 9 East Wilson Street, Madison, WI 53703  
Phone: 608-255-5100  
Cost: $189/night for 2 queen beds or 1 king bed  
Parking: On-site parking is available for $25/day.

**Embassy Suites by Hilton Madison Downtown**  
Address: 231 South Pinckney Street, Madison, WI 53703  
Cost: $209/night for 2 queen beds or 1 king bed  
Parking: Valet parking is available for $35/day or self-parking is $27/day at the Wilson Street Garage located at 20 East Wilson Street.

Booking links are available on the STSW website  
[https://www.stsw.org/Conference-Information](https://www.stsw.org/Conference-Information)
Transportation Information:

From the airport to the hotels or conference center:
- Madison Dane County Regional Airport (MSN) is located approximately 20 minutes or 5.5 miles away.
- For Hilton Madison Monona Terrace guests, there is an airport shuttle based on availability. The hotel recommends guests reach out to the hotel directly (608-255-5100) one month prior to arrival to confirm availability.
- Uber and Lyft are readily available as well as local taxi companies such as Union Cab of Madison Cooperative (608-242-2000), Madison Taxi (608-255-8294), and Green Cab of Madison (608-255-1234).
- Milwaukee General Mitchell International Airport (MKE) is located 1 hour and 30 minutes or 84 miles away.
- Chicago O’Hare International Airport (ORD) is located 2 hours or 134 miles away.

From the hotel to the convention center:
- Take the skywalk from the Hilton Madison Monona Terrace.
- Walk a few blocks east from the Embassy Suites by Hilton Madison Downtown.

By car:
If driving to the convention center, use these coordinates rather than 1 John Nolen Drive: **43.069972, -89.382583**. You will arrive at the John Nolen Drive entrance to the Monona Terrace parking ramp. Or, input 1 West Wilson Street to enter the parking structure from Wilson Street or to use the drop-off lane. Ample parking is available. See rates at https://www.mononaterraceparking.com/

Short-term and all-day public parking is provided throughout downtown Madison in various structures and lots. On-street parking is also available for short-term parking in central Madison. See real-time parking availability complete with turn-by-turn instruction at https://www.cityofmadison.com/parking
## Pre-Conference & Conference Registration
Registration for the pre-conference on Monday, October 7th and the conference on Tuesday, October 8th - Thursday, October 10th.

- **$550** STSW Member
- **$800** Non-STSW Member
- **$400** Social Work Graduate Student

## Conference Two Day - Tuesday & Wednesday Registration
Registration for Tuesday, October 8th and Wednesday, October 10th.

- **$350** STSW Member
- **$500** Non-STSW Member

## Pre-Conference & Conference & STSW Membership Registration
Registration for the pre-conference on Monday, October 7th and the conference on Tuesday, October 8th - Thursday, October 10th. Also includes new STSW membership or renewal of annual STSW membership. **$650**

## Conference Only Registration
Registration for the conference on Tuesday, October 8th - Thursday, October 10th. This registration DOES NOT include the pre-conference.

- **$450** STSW Member
- **$650** Non-STSW Member
- **$350** Social Work Graduate Student

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## Conference Two Day - Tuesday & Thursday Registration
Registration for Tuesday, October 8th and Thursday, October 10th.

- **$300** STSW Member
- **$425** Non-STSW Member

## Conference Two Day - Wednesday & Thursday Registration
Registration for Wednesday, October 9th and Thursday, October 10th.

- **$300** STSW Member
- **$425** Non-STSW Member

## Conference One Day - Tuesday or Wednesday Only Registration
Registration for EITHER Tuesday, October 8th or Wednesday, October 9th.

- **$200** STSW Member
- **$225** Non-STSW Member

## Conference One Day - Thursday Only Registration
Registration for Thursday, October 10th.

- **$100** STSW Member
- **$125** Non-STSW Member

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