

SPECIALISTS OF SCHOOLS

and

the *Philadelphia Society of Clinical Psychologists* are pleased to offer:

WORKING WITH PARENTS OF CHILDREN WITH CHRONIC ILLNESSES OR CONDITIONS

A child's chronic medical or emotional illness often poses unique challenges to parents and school personnel. The focus of this workshop is to foster a greater understanding of the emotional impact of chronic illness on family and school life. We will demonstrate how parents' and teachers' awareness and understanding of their own emotional reactions to their child can be used as to generate helpful responses which can then have a positive impact on developing self-esteem, resilience, and a healthy identity. We will also address many issues regarding how schools can support families, and how can families work together with schools to foster and optimize their child's experience in school.

Date: Friday, October 25, 2013

Place: The Agnes Irwin School
275 South Ithan Avenue
Bryn Mawr, PA 19010
(610) 525-8400

www.agnesirwin.org

Time: 12:30 P.M. to 2:30 P.M. Program

Agnes Irwin has been kind enough to supply lunch for all attendees
Tour of the school will be offered following the workshop.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

Upon completion of this training, participants will be able to:

- o demonstrate the value of using "parenting" as a vehicle for promoting resilience, self-esteem, and a healthy identity in their children
- o explain to parents and teachers how to gain awareness of their own reactions to their children
- o revise parents' and teachers' thinking about formulating helpful responses to their children

OUR PRESENTER:

Laurie Levi, Ph.D., is a clinical psychologist in private practice in Merion who treats children, adolescents, adults, couples, and families struggling with medical and emotional difficulties. She often works with people with serious situations (i.e. suicide attempt, cutting, etc.) in addition to more typical problems. She is also committed to helping parents grow from the experience of having their child in treatment, through individual or family work, or parent consultation, as is appropriate.

Frances G. Martin, AM, Ph.D., is a psychologist and psychoanalyst with over 25 years experience working with children and families in Philadelphia and the northern suburbs. In recent years she has devoted significant effort to working with parents of children with chronic illness, new parents, and grieving parents. She is Co-Director of Child and Adolescent Psychoanalytic Training and of the Parent Child Center at PCOP (Psychoanalytic Center of Philadelphia). In addition she is a member of the Board of Directors of the Carson Valley School and the Green Tree School.

CE CREDITS:

This session is co-sponsored by the Philadelphia Society of Clinical Psychologists (PSCP) and Specialists of Schools. PSCP is approved by the American Psychological Association to offer Continuing Education (CE) for psychologists. PSCP maintains responsibility for the program and its content. This program provides 2 hours of CE credits for licensed Psychologists, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapist.

FEES:

This workshop is free for members of SOS, PSCP and staff at Agnes Irwin. There is a \$15.00 admission fee for others. CE credits and Act 48 credits are \$20.00. Payment must be by check or money order made out to SOS. **No cash please.**

TO REGISTER: Please e-mail Tocky Collins at TockyLC@aol.com.

DIRECTIONS: Parking will be along the school side of Ithan Avenue. Enter through the main lobby and sign in at the front desk and receive a nametag. The meeting will be held in the Parent Council Meeting Room, which will be to your left and through the cafeteria. Turn left just before getting to the doors leading to the outside eating area.