

10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Concurrent Session 1G

*** Crisis of Faith: Spirituality**

*One and a half (1.5) hours for Social Work CEU has been approved for this session.

A panel of distinguished religious leaders will discuss how, despite a crisis of faith, people often times can draw strength from their beliefs in coping with illness.

Speakers:

Sr. Edith Menegus, OSU, BCC, ThM, St. Charles Hospital

Rev. Mark Bigelow, Pastoral Care Coordinator, Visiting Nurse Service and Hospice of Suffolk;

Rabbi Kathy Novick and **Dr. Tanveer Mir**, Chair, Department of Medicine, Wyckoff Heights Medical Center

Moderator: Sr. Katherine A. Murphy, RN-BC, MSN, CHPN, CCRN; Clinical Nurse Specialist, St. Francis Hospital

Learning Objectives

1. Define a crisis of faith.
2. Discuss how individuals can draw strength from their faith during crisis.
3. Identify (3) three spiritual traditions that can help comfort someone when facing a serious illness.

Speakers Bios:

Tanveer Mir, MD, MACP, AGSF, HMDC; Chair Emeritus Board of Regents, American College of Physicians, Chair, Department of Medicine , Wyckoff Heights Medical Center

Dr. Tanveer Mir earned her medical degree from the Medical College of the University of Kashmir in India. She completed her residency in internal medicine at the Long Island Jewish Medical Center. She has served in many leadership roles and is recognized as a Clinician-Educator in Internal Medicine, Hospice and Palliative Care and Bio-Ethics. Dr. Mir is a speaker at National and International Conferences and she has several Book-Chapters and publications to her name. Dr. Mir is Board certified and re-certified in Internal Medicine, Geriatric Medicine and Hospice and Palliative Medicine. She completed a certification in Health Policy and Bioethics from Kansas University Medical Center in 2011. She is a certified Hospice Medical Director (HMD-C).

Sr. Edith Menegus, OSU, BCC, ThM, St. Charles Hospital

Member, Research Team, Spiritual Pain Project, Calvary Hospital, Bronx, NY 2001-02. Chaplain, American Red Cross Disaster Relief Team, September 11, 2001 response at Family Assistance Centers at Armory & Pier 92, Ground Zero, & Disaster Mortuary, 9/13-12/31/2001. Chaplain, Good Shepherd Hospice, Carle Place, NY 2004-2006. Chaplain, St. Charles Hospital, Port Jefferson, NY 2006-2009. Palliative Care Chaplain, St. Charles Hospital, 2012-present.