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### General Information

**Location:** Embassy Suites Hotel  
555 South 10th Street  
Omaha, Nebraska 68102  
(402) 346-9000

**Target Audience:** Psychiatrists, Psychologists, Social Workers, Mental Health Care Providers, Public Health Officials, Nurses, Clergy, Emergency Managers and First Responders.

**Registration Information:** The fee to attend this conference is \$45 if received by July 2, 2008. Any registrations received after that date will be charged \$55.

**Register online at:**  
<http://www.disastermh.nebraska.edu>

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**Cancellation Policy:** A written request must be received **no later than July 11, 2008** to receive a full refund. **There will be no refunds after the deadline.**

**Sponsorship:** This activity has been planned through the joint sponsorship of Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services, University of Nebraska Public Policy Center, the University of Nebraska Medical Center Department of Psychiatry, BryanLGH Medical Center, the Omaha Metropolitan Medical Response System (OMMRS), and the Lincoln Metropolitan Medical Response System (LMMRS). PPE were provided by the Center for Biopreparedness Education.

**Credit:** Application for contact hours has been made to the Nebraska Nurses Association, an accredited approver, by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. Application for continuing education has also been made to the Nebraska Psychological Association.

**Participant Responsibilities:** Participants who sign in as specified at the start of the educational activity, remain throughout the activity, are present at the end of the activity, will be able to print a certificate of completion after filling out an online evaluation of the conference.

**Hotel Reservations:** A room block has been secured for guests wishing to stay overnight to attend this conference. Guest rooms are available at the rate of \$145 single/\$149 double occupancy. Reservations under the Disaster Mental Health Conference will be held *until June 24, 2008*. *Please secure your reservation today* to ensure availability at the reduced rate.

**Parking:** A complimentary airport shuttle is available to and from Eppley Airfield. **Complimentary parking** is available to anyone staying at the hotel. City parking lots across the street from the hotel charge \$3.00/day. Valet service parking is available to anyone with a handicap parking sticker. **Please mark the box on the registration form if you plan to use this service.**

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# NEBRASKA DISASTER BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONFERENCE

July 18, 2008

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*Recognize and prepare to respond  
to the  
psychological effects of disaster  
and mass casualties.*

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## Conference Faculty

### Al Berndt

Assistant Director, Nebraska Emergency Management Agency

Mr. Berndt is the Assistant Director of the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency. Mr. Berndt is responsible for a number of duties such as maintaining daily supervision oversight, establishing policy direction and compliance with federal and state statutes for agency activities.

### Fred Wilson

Mr. Wilson is a graduate of Central College in Pella, Iowa and of the Brown Institute of Broadcasting in Minneapolis. He has taught at the secondary level for about 25 years, including Clear Lake, Shenandoah and Council Bluff, Iowa. He taught at St. Albert's in Council Bluffs for 8 years and considers them as much a part of his family as he does his Von Maur family, where he also has worked for 8 years. He is a member of First United Methodist Church.

### Brian Flynn, ED.D.

Associate Director of the Center for the Study of Traumatic Stress, Adjunct Professor of Psychiatry, Department of Psychiatry, Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences

Dr. Flynn is a consultant, writer, trainer, and speaker specializing in preparation for, response to, and recovery from, the psychosocial aspects of large-scale emergencies and disasters.

Dr. Flynn served as Rear Admiral/Assistant Surgeon General in the United States Public Health Service (USPHS). He has directly operated and supervised the Federal Government's domestic disaster mental health program (including terrorism), programs in suicide and youth violence prevention, child trauma, refugee mental health, women's and minority mental health concerns, and rural mental health. He is recognized internationally for his expertise in large-scale trauma and has served as an advisor to practitioners, academicians, and government officials in many nations. He is the author of many publications in the area of human response to both natural and human-caused disasters. During his career, he has been the recipient of numerous honors and awards including the prestigious Health Leader of the Year Award for 2000 awarded by the Public Health Service Commissioned Officers Association and the Distinguished Service Medal, the highest honor of the USPHS.

### Bruce Shapiro

Executive Director, Dart Center for Journalism and Trauma

Mr. Shapiro is a regular contributor to *The Nation* and many other publications, and for the past decade has taught investigative journalism at Yale University.

Bruce Shapiro's leadership in reforming news coverage of violence dates from 1994, when he was critically injured in a stabbing near his New Haven, Connecticut home. Shapiro's account of his journey from crime reporter to crime victim, published in *The Nation* in 1995, was a National Magazine Award finalist in essays and criticism. Over the next several years Shapiro reported extensively on crime victims and American society. As a consultant to the Dart Center, Mr. Shapiro launched a wide range of activities both in the US and worldwide in locations as diverse as New Orleans and Belfast.

### Andrew P. Klatte

Assistant Deputy Director, Office of Emergency Preparedness, Indiana Division of Mental Health and Addiction

Mr. Klatte has worked in the field of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities for 27 years, the past 20 years with the State of Indiana. He is a nationally known speaker and has presented on the topics of the psychological aspects of terrorism, disaster preparedness, and mental health planning and response. Mr. Klatte is also the director of Project Aftermath, a crisis counseling program. Project Aftermath has responded to 10 major federally declared disasters in Indiana since 1997. Mr. Klatte was the point person for the mental health teams that were deployed to Mississippi.

### John Filippi, DDS, D-ABFO

Dr. Filippi is a Board Certified Forensic Odontologist, and lead dental consultant for the State of Nebraska. Dr. Filippi's first involvement in mass disaster dental identification was in 1989 with Flight 232, in Sioux City, Iowa. Since 1991, through his affiliation with the HHS/NDMS/DMORT Teams, he has been actively involved with Mass Disasters Responses in six major airline crashes. His experience also includes two tours of service at the World Trade Center/911 and Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans. Dr. Filippi is the Training Officer for DMORT Region 7 Response Team, is a Fellow in the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, a Board of Governor for the American Society of Forensic Odontology, and on the Board of Directors for the American Board of Forensic Odontology.

## Conference Schedule

Friday, July 18, 2008

### Morning Session

- 8:00-8:30 Registration and Continental Breakfast
- 8:30-8:45 *Introduction and Opening Remarks*  
Al Berndt
- 8:45-9:15 *Keynote: Forgiveness and the Fullness of Time*  
Fred Wilson
- 9:15-10:30 *Disaster Behavioral Health in 2008: Problems, Possibilities, and Public Policy*  
Brian Flynn, ED.D.
- 10:30-10:45 **BREAK**
- 10:45-12:00 *The Role and Impact of News Media in Disasters and Critical Incidents*  
Bruce Shapiro
- 12:00- 1:15 **LUNCH ON OWN**

### Afternoon Session

- 1:15-2:15 *Behavioral Health Emergency Response Teams*  
Andrew Klatte
- 2:15-3:15 *DMORT Teams and the Forensic Disaster Response in a Mass Fatality Incident*  
John Filippi, DDS
- 3:15-3:30 **BREAK**
- 3:30-4:15 *PPE: An Experiential Look*  
The Center for Biopreparedness Education

## Nebraska Disaster Behavioral Health Conference

July 18, 2008

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## Conference Objectives

- Relate how time and faith has aided a survivor's forgiveness and resiliency
- Identify at least three areas of public policy necessary to accomplish integrated and effective response and recovery
- Instruct participants in effective pre-incident networking and communication between disaster responders and news media
- Describe the goals and expectations and activities of a Disaster Behavioral Health Response Team
- Recognize how the DMORT Team integrates with the Coroner System to assist families in the grieving process