



# PROGRAM GUIDE



**ACA 2014 Conference & Expo**

March 27-30

**Pre-conference Learning Institutes**

March 26-27



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*Fred Bemak, Rita Chi-Ying Chung,  
Sharon Bethea, Jon Carlson*

There is universal agreement about the importance and value of incorporating advocacy and social justice projects as part of our professional identity and commitment. Yet with all the burdens, challenges, and lack of resources, it is difficult not only to launch meaningful projects in local or global communities, but especially to maintain the momentum over time. A number of professionals who have been involved in advocacy projects share their stories, as well as their frustrations and joys related to the work. Particular emphasis will be placed on the reciprocal growth that takes place as a result of such efforts, as well as the gifts we receive working in the field with groups that would otherwise never receive any attention or service.

**2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.**

Program ID #152, Room 314

**BlogShop for Counselors**

90-Minute Session

*Tamara G. Suttle*

The most versatile tool of social media is the blog. Blogging can be used for social advocacy, for general education, and for building your credibility! If you are blogging or thinking about blogging to promote your favorite cause, to grow your agency or practice's reputation, to support your clients' or students' learning, or to provide additional information to your community — this workshop is for you! You are invited to join us in learning how blogging can support you on your journey, how to get started on the right path, how to measure your blogging success, and how to connect with other counselors who are blogging, too.

**2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.** ▲ ■

*Military Counseling Academy  
Clinical Mental Health/Private  
Practice Academy*

Program ID #153, Room 313B

**Up in Arms: Characteristics of  
Bullying and Sexual Harassment  
in the Military and Treatment  
Recommendations**

90-Minute Session, Advanced  
*SeriaShia J. Chatters, Carlos P. Zalaquett*  
Current information indicates that bullying and sexual harassment and assaults significantly affect armed force members. Many of those affected may be too intimidated to report. The high incidence suspected and the high number of military personnel being reinserted into civilian life suggests that we need to be prepared to help with these issues. Knowledge of the definition, prevalence, and psychological impact of these phenomena, as well as of best treatment practices, is increasingly necessary. This session addresses the specific issues, presents best practice and suggests how to tailor treatment to the specific worldviews of military clients and their families.

**2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.**

Program ID #154, Room 316B

**International Panel**

90-Minute Session

*Haniza Rais, Paulina Obioma Sowho,  
Douglas Williamson, Wayne Hankammer,  
Stacey Lloyd*

The panel will discuss and focus on common concerns for future collaboration to include training, intervention, practice, and disaster response. Learn about international perspectives on counseling in other countries. This session is coordinated and sponsored by the ACA International Committee.

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