

# LOCUS P.A.S.<sup>©</sup>

## TRAIN the TRAINER Program

### Dates and Locations:

2-Day Training

9:00 am – 3:00 pm

December 4-5, 2017 – Blue Water Convention Center, Port Huron

February 19-20, 2018 – Four Points by Sheraton, Kalamazoo

April 9-10, 2018 – Holiday Inn near the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

July 30-31, 2018 – Great Wolf Lodge, Traverse City

### Featuring:

*Jack Stevenson, MS*

*Deerfield Behavioral Health*

Jack Stevenson is the primary marketer and trainer for the LOCUS (Level of Care Utilization System) and the child and adolescent version called CALOCUS - both developed by the American Association of Community Psychiatrists.

Training Fee: There is **no fee** to attend this training. Training materials, continental breakfast, lunch and refreshments are included. Registration is required and space is limited.

**Who Should Attend?:** This training contains appropriate content for Intake Staff, Assessment Staff, Clinicians, Case Managers, and Social Workers (beginning, intermediate and/or advanced practitioners) who work in the Michigan public health system.

**\*At this time there is no limit per agency but at any point during registration, a limit may be put into place due to space issues.\***

# LOCUS

LOCUS is defined at the Level of Care Utilization System which is an assessment and placement instrument created by the American Association of Community Psychiatrists (A.A.C.P). This system is used for evaluating the current status of clients and their needs based on six evaluation dimensions, which then results to a level of care placement recommendation. This decision support tool is used to help measure and document clinical necessity for client placement.

This training is designed to develop LOCUS trainers who will provide training to practitioners with responsibility for determining the level of care for persons receiving adult mental health services. Part of the pre-authorization and re-authorization process is prioritized on current needs and not diagnosis.

## **LOCUS P.A.S. Program Objectives:**

1. Understand the context of LOCUS in clinical decision making which includes the assessment for the immediate needs of the client and monitoring changes in client status or placement over time.
2. Understand three basic components of the instrument (the evaluation parameters for assessment needs, six levels of service care and the scoring methodology).
3. Understand each LOCUS dimension as it relates to specific behavior conditions exhibited by the client.
4. Understand the levels of care as outlined in the instrument.
5. Understand how the measured needs of a client translates to a level of care placement using one of the scoring methods (includes admissions, continued stay reviews, and discharge planning).
6. Understand how to resolve differences between the recommended level of care obtained from LOCUS and those determined on the basis of clinical judgment.
7. Demonstrate a level of competency using the LOCUS instrument and the necessary knowledge to train others on the use of this instrument.
8. Understand how LOCUS fidelity is demonstrated through reliability and validity measures.
9. Develop techniques to assist their future learners in problem solving through LOCUS challenges.
10. Examine core skills needed to assess the competency of those they train.

### **Hotel Information:**

#### **December 4-5, 2017**

Overnight accommodations available at \$75 plus tax for December 3-4, 2017

**DoubleTree by Hilton Port Huron** – 800 Harker St. Port Huron, MI 48060 (Attached to Blue Water Convention Center)

To make a reservation – Call hotel directly at (810)-984-8000 and mention group code: **CMH** – or- [click here](#) and in the field provided, enter group code **CMH**.

Deadline to book your room: **November 24.**

#### **February 19-20, 2018**

Overnight accommodations available at \$75 plus tax for February 18-19, 2018

**Four Points by Sheraton** - 3600 E. Cork St Ct. Kalamazoo, MI 49001

To make a reservation – [Click this link](#) to event website. Select check-in and check-out dates to receive special rate.

Deadline to book your room: **January 19, 2018.**

#### **April 9-10, 2018**

Overnight accommodations available at \$75 plus tax for April 8-9, 2018

**Holiday Inn near the University of Michigan** - 3600 Plymouth Road, Ann Arbor MI 48105

To make a reservation – [Click this link](#). Select your check-in and check-out dates and the special rate will be applied.

Deadline to book you room: **March 25, 2018.**

#### **July 30-31, 2018**

Overnight accommodations available at \$75 plus tax for July 29-30, 2018

**Great Wolf Lodge** – 3575 N US 31 South, Traverse City, MI 49684

To make a reservation – Call (866) 962-9653 and reference the code **1808LOCUS** -OR- [Click this link](#). Select your check-in and check-out dates and then enter the code above for special rate to be applied.

Deadline to book your room: **June 28, 2018.** (Note: The \$29.99 daily resort fee is being waived, but you will still see it on your confirmation. You will NOT be charged this fee.)

Please contact Carly Palmer at [cpalmer@cmham.org](mailto:cpalmer@cmham.org) or (517) 374-6848 with any questions or concerns.

### Day 1

8:30am	Registration & Continental Breakfast
9:00am	Welcome and Introductions
9:15am	Historical Perspective, Foundations and Principles
9:45am	Scoring of LOCUS
10:15am	Break
10:25am	Review of LOCUS Dimensions
12:00pm	Lunch ( <b>Provided</b> )
1:00pm	(Cont'd) Review of LOCUS Dimensions
2:30pm	Break
2:45pm	Review LOCUS Levels of Care
4:00pm	End of Day 1

### Day 2

Registration & Continental Breakfast	8:30am
Overview of LOCUS Dimensions	9:00am
Practice using LOCUS with Vignettes	9:30am
Break	10:15am
Continue to complete LOCUS Vignettes	10:25am
Lunch ( <b>Provided</b> )	12:00pm
Continue to complete LOCUS Vignettes	1:00pm
Post Test	2:00pm
Break	2:30pm
Successfully complete a Vignette showing LOCUS competency	2:40pm
Adjournment	4:00pm

#### Continuing Education Credits: Total of 10 CEUs

**Social Work:** The Community Mental Health Association of Michigan (CMHAM) (Formerly Michigan Association of CMH Boards), provider #1140, is approved as a provider for social work continuing education by the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) [www.aswb.org](http://www.aswb.org), through the Approved Continuing Education (ACE) program. CMHAM maintains responsibility for the program. ASWB Approval Period: 11/10/16-11/10/19. Social workers should contact their regulatory board to determine course approval. Social workers participating in this course will receive 10.0 Clinical Continuing Education Clock Hours. Course Delivery Method: Face-to-Face seminar.

**Substance Abuse:** The Community Mental Health Association of Michigan (CMHAM) (Formerly Michigan Association of CMH Boards) is approved by the Michigan Certification Board for Addiction Professionals (MCBAP) to sponsor educational training for professional certification. (CMHAM) maintains the responsibility for the program and content. Substance abuse professionals participating in this training will receive 10 Specific contact hours.

**Certificate Awarded:** At the conclusion of this conference, you turn in your Verification of Attendance form to the CMHAM Staff to be initialed. You will turn in the top sheet and retain the bottom sheet which serves as your certificate of participation.

**Evaluation:** There will be an opportunity for each participant to complete an evaluation of the course and the instructor. If you have any issues with the way in which this training was conducted or other problems, you may note that on your evaluation of the training or you may contact CMHAM at 517-374-6848 or through our webpage at [www.macmh.org](http://www.macmh.org) for resolution.

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