



HSC WORKSHOP SERIES

A Program of the Human Services Coalition



Boundary Setting for the Helping Professions

with John Vassello

Tuesday, June 2, 2020

9:00 am – 12:30 pm

Fee \$80, includes light refreshments

REGISTER ONLINE at www.hsctc.org/workshops

**Borg Warner Conference Room, Tompkins County Public Library,
E. Green St. at S. Cayuga St., Ithaca ([driving and access directions below](#))
Presented by the Human Services Coalition
Co-sponsored by the Tompkins County Public Library**

Often in human services, ethical decisions aren't black or white. How do you make decisions in the gray area? How do you use professional values as a guide? Is there a systematic method for determining - and embarking - on the most ethical course of action?

This workshop for health and human services professionals will review and discuss the values and ethics that guide professional practice. Applying some concepts from social work, it will provide participants with practical, useful tools for ethical decision making.

Attendees will:

1. Learn the definitions of values and ethics
2. Discuss what happens when different professional ethics conflict with each other
3. Discuss real world ethical dilemmas and how they would handle them
4. Learn about tools to assist with decision-making in ethical dilemmas
5. The importance of utilizing the word NO
6. Develop skills for boundary setting around self-care

About the Presenter

John Vassello, MSW, LCSW is the Associate Director of Field Education and Admissions in the Binghamton University Department of Social Work. He also serves as the Continuing Education Coordinator.

Prior to his current position, he worked as a medical social worker. He provided social work services in the emergency department, taught crisis prevention and management, and served on the hospital diversity and inclusion council. John provided crisis intervention and support to displaced individuals and families at several local shelters during the 2011 Broome County flood.

As Community School Coordinator in the Broome County Promise Zone, John worked with diverse students and families to create new and meaningful school and community partnerships. He also developed a successful summer arts program for local at-risk youth in partnership with a local theater. John earned his BA and his MSW from Binghamton University.

Registration and Payment

Register online at www.hsctc.org/workshops. If you are unable to register and pay online please call 607-273-8686 or email registration@hsctc.org.

Cancellation Policy

All registration sales are final - we are unable to refund or transfer fees onto a different workshop for missed sessions. At times a workshop may be cancelled due to inclement weather or other issues. If this occurs, we will post the cancellation on our website: www.hsctc.org/workshops, email all registered participants, and refund any prepaid fees. If you plan to walk-in, please check our website for the most up-to-date information prior to attending.

Scholarships

Limited scholarships are available to agencies whose non-profit board and staff members cannot attend without one. To request a scholarship, email: registration@hsctc.org in advance of the workshop.

Snacks

Coffee, other drinks, and snacks are provided at all workshops; lunch is not provided. Attendees at sessions in the Borg Warner Room may leave and eat lunch on the beautiful Ithaca Commons.

Special Needs

Please notify us if you have any special needs; the Coalition wishes to make its workshops accessible to everyone.

For the comfort of everyone, HSC workshops are fragrance free. We appreciate your cooperation.

Driving and access

The Library is located in downtown Ithaca on the corner of East Green and South Cayuga Streets.

Directions for accessing the Library

The Library does not open its Main door until 9:30 am, please go to the northeast corner of the building opposite the TCAT Green Street Station, turn right and enter at the door on the right under the green canopy. The Borg Warner room is immediately on your right.

Driving Directions

From North or South on Rt. 13 or 34: Proceed to Green Street in downtown Ithaca. Turn East (toward Cornell and downtown) on Green Street. Proceed approximately six blocks to Cayuga St, take a right turn and proceed as below.

From South on Rt. 96b: Proceed down hill on Aurora Street to East Clinton Street.

Turn left and proceed to Cayuga Street. Turn right on Cayuga Street and proceed as below.

From East on Rt. 79 or 366: Proceed to downtown on State St hill and veer right onto Seneca St at the bottom of the hill. Stay in the left lane of Seneca St until you come to Cayuga St. Turn left on Cayuga St and proceed as below.

From West on Rt. 79, 96 or 89: Proceed east to Fulton St. Turn right on Fulton St and stay in the left lane. Turn left on Green St and proceed about seven blocks to Cayuga Street. Turn right and proceed as below.

From all directions: Park in the Cayuga St. parking garage behind the Library and across from the Hotel Ithaca, or in the Green St. garage (entrance is past the "Pay and Display" and after the Cinemapolis sign on the left) diagonally across from the Library. Please note that "Pay and Display" parking is an option but the cost is twice that of the Green St. or Cayuga St. garages. The Library does not open the main door until 9:30 am, so go to the northeast corner of the Library building next to the TCAT Green Street Station, turn right and enter at the door on the right under the green canopy. The Borg Warner room is immediately on your right.

Accessible Parking

We recommend parking on the first floor (it's actually the second floor of the structure) of the Green Street parking garage near the lime green wall labeled "Green Street." There is an elevator that will take you down to the ground floor which outlets at the crosswalk on Green Street. Cross the street, turn right and it's a short distance to the northeast corner of the library, next TCAT's Green Street Station. Enter at the door under the green canopy. The Borg Warner room is immediately on your right. If the accessible parking spots are taken near the elevator you can also go one floor up and there are more spaces next to the elevator on the roof.

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