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February 22-23, 2019

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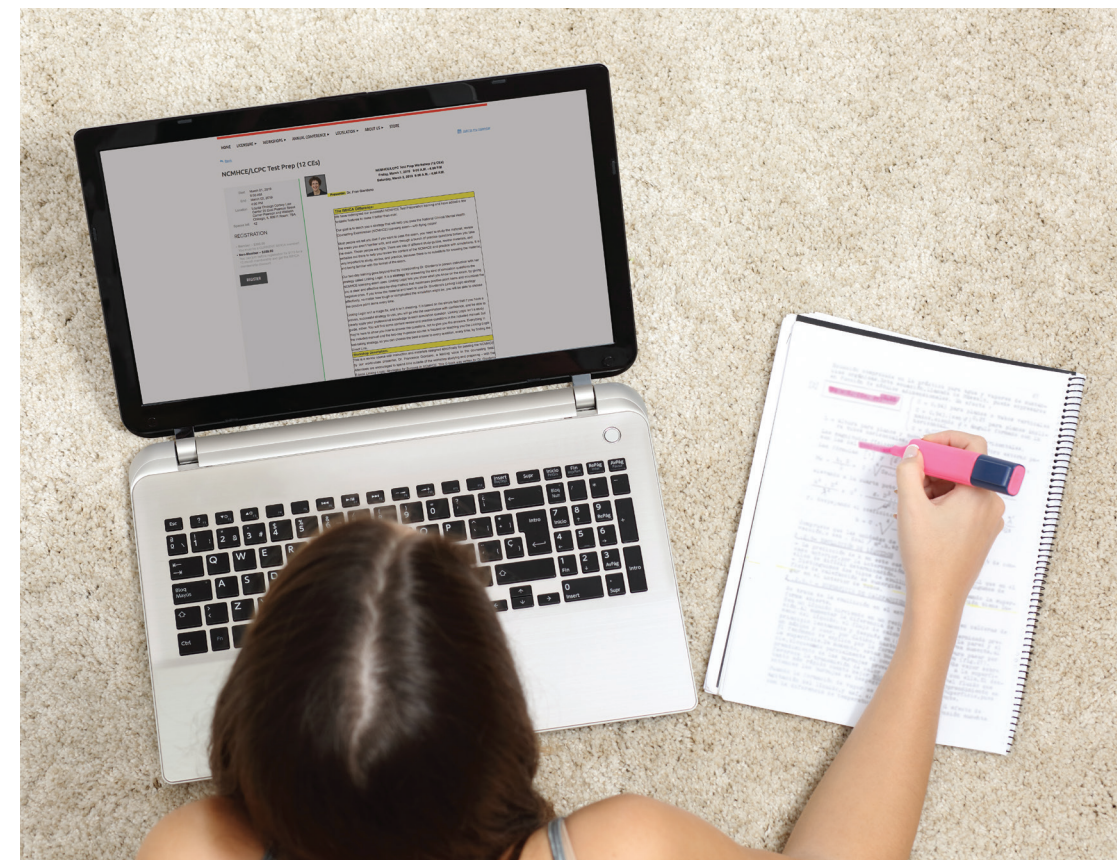
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WORKSHOP INFORMATION

NCE WORKSHOP

NCE Workshop Format

The NCE workshop is offered in a 2-day format. This is a review course. Attendees are encouraged to spend additional time in study preparation outside of this workshop. This workshop is designed to help counselors approach the exam realistically and confidently by understanding the structure of the exam and the content it attempts to measure. Attendees will experience an overview of the test and test-taking strategies.

Presenters

The NCE workshop is conducted by **Dr. William Cheshier, LCPC.**

Dr. William Cheshier has a Ph.D. in Psychology from the Saybrook Institute in California and Ph.D. in Philosophy from DePaul University in Chicago. He currently lives in New York City and works as a Licensed Mental Health Counselor in his own private practice.

NCE Exam Format

The NCE is a computerized exam, comprised of 200 multiple choice questions. Topic areas include: Human Growth and Development, Social and Cultural Foundations, Helping Relationships, Group Work, Career and Lifestyle Development, Appraisal, Research and Program Evaluation, Professional Orientation, and Ethics.

NCE Exam Prep: Workshop Locations Visit www.imhca.org for maps to the following locations
February 22-23, 2019 (Fri-Sat)

NIU Naperville • 1120 E Diehl Road • Naperville, IL 60563 • Room: 260

NCMHCE WORKSHOP

We have redesigned our successful NCMHCE Test Preparation training. We have added a few fantastic features to make it better than ever.

Our goal is to teach you a strategy that will help you pass the National Clinical Mental Health Counseling Examination (NCMHCE) licensing exam—with flying colors!

Most people will tell you that if you want to pass the exam, you need to study the material, review the areas you aren't familiar with, and work through a bunch of practice questions before you take the exam. Those people are right. There are lots of different study guides, review materials, and websites out there to help you review the content of the NCMHCE and practice with simulations. It is very important to study, review, and practice, because there is no substitute for knowing the material, and being familiar with the format of the exam.

Our two-day training goes beyond that by incorporating Dr. Giordano in person instruction with her strategy called *Linking Logic*. It is a **strategy** for answering the kind of simulation questions the NCMHCE licensing exam uses. *Linking Logic* lets you show what you know on the exam, by giving you a clear and effective step-by-step method that maximizes positive point items and minimizes the negative ones. If you know the material and learn to use Dr. Giordano's *Linking Logic* strategy effectively, no matter how tough or complicated the simulation might be, you will be able to choose the positive point items every time.

Linking Logic isn't a magic fix, and it isn't cheating. It is based on the simple fact that if you have a proven, successful strategy to use, you will go into the examination with confidence, and be able to clearly apply your professional knowledge to each simulation question. *Linking Logic* isn't a study guide, either. You will find some content review and practice questions in the included manual, but they're here *to show you how* to answer the questions, not to give you the

answers. Everything in the included manual and the two-day in-person course is focused on teaching you the *Linking Logic* test-taking strategy, so you can choose the best answer to every question, every time, by finding the Direct Link.

This is a review course with instruction and materials designed specifically for passing the NCMHCE by our world-class presenter, Dr. Francesca Giordano, a leading voice in the counseling field. Our revised two-day training now includes the book *Linking Logic: Strategies for Success in NCMHCE*. This E-book was written by Dr. Giordano to work hand-in-hand with this course and it is included in the workshop registration.

Test Preparation Methods Included in Registration

- ❖ Two-day intensive **in-person instruction**
- ❖ Professionally bound **course materials** updated regularly
- ❖ A section of material and instruction dedicated to **DSM-5 review**
- ❖ New, specially created **online workbook** *Linking Logic: Strategies for Success in NCMHCE* written by Dr. Francesca Giordano
- ❖ The online workbook is available both online and as a download pdf. It is not time limited
- ❖ The ACA Code of Ethics Booklet
- ❖ **Exclusive online access** to IMHCA's test preparation resources

Workshop Agenda:

- ❖ NCMHCE Test Overview & Test-Taking Strategies
- ❖ Review of Linking-Logic Principles
- ❖ Clinical Decision-Making
- ❖ DSM-5 Diagnosis – intensive review, including symptom identification and overlap

Additional Review of:

- ❖ Assessments
- ❖ Treatment Goals
- ❖ Literature-Endorsed Interventions
- ❖ The Role of Theory

- ❖ Adjunct Services & Outcome Measures
- ❖ Ethical Standards
- ❖ Supervision, Administration and Consultation
- ❖ Practice with Simulations
- ❖ Individual coaching and questions answered

Presenter



Dr. Francesca Giordano, LCPC, has extensive experience conducting training workshops for counselors. In 1998, she received the Counselor Educator of the Year Award from the American Mental Health Counselors Association and she also received the Counselor Educator of the Year Award from the Illinois Counselor Educators and Supervisors in 2006. She is a Past-President of IMHCA and a past co-chair of the State of Illinois Counselor Licensure Board. She is the 2002 recipient of the IMHCA Distinguished Service as an Illinois Mental Health Counselor Award. In 2013, she received the Robert J. Nejedlo Distinguished Leadership Award. She is also a Diplomate in Couples and Family Counseling (2016) from American Mental Health Counselors Association. She has been presenting test preparation workshops for twenty years.

NCMHCE Exam Format

The NCMHCE exam is a computerized exam. Items on the National Clinical Mental Health Counselor Examination (NCMHCE) are designed to sample a broad area of competencies, rather than recall isolated facts. Therefore, the items assess clinical problem-solving ability, including identifying, analyzing, diagnosis, and treating clients through the use of effective treatment planning principles. The exam consists of clinical mental health counseling cases. Each case is divided into 5-8 sections classified as either information-gathering or decision-making.

A History of Success: Dr. Giordano with IMHCA is the longest standing face-to-face NCMHCE test preparation course in the Midwest.

IMHCA's Pass Guarantee: if you do not pass the test after taking this two-day course, you can retake the course at a significantly reduced rate and individualized evaluation of your study strategy.

NCMHCE Exam Prep: Workshop Locations Visit www.imhca.org for maps to the following locations

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25 East Pearson Street
Chicago, IL • Room: TBA

August 17-18, 2019 (Sat-Sun)

Northbrook Crowne Plaza Northbrook
2875 Milwaukee Ave, Northbrook, IL

December 14-15, 2019 (Sat-Sun)

TBA

June 8-9, 2019 (Sat-Sun)

American Society of Anesthesiologists,
1061 American Lane, Schaumburg, IL
Room: Auditorium

September 20-21, 2019 (Fri-Sat)

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1120 E Diehl Rd, Naperville, IL
Room:TBA



Confirmation / Directions

Upon receipt of the registration form, we will email a confirmation letter and directions. Maps and hotel information are available on our website: www.imhca.org

Refund policy

Registrations, cancelled for the NCMHCE training seven days prior to the workshop, can be refunded minus a \$100 fee. The e-book component of the workshop cannot be returned. Upon cancellation, registrants will retain the e-book. No refunds can be made seven days prior to the workshop. Workshops may be cancelled or rescheduled due to circumstances beyond our control. IMHCA is not responsible for any loss or damage as a result of substitution, alteration, or cancellation of an event. IMHCA shall assume no liability whatsoever in the event that a workshop is cancelled, rescheduled or postponed due to a fortuitous event, Act of God, unforeseen occurrences

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Continuing Education Hours

This program is recognized as providing 12 CE hours for: LPC/LCPC and LSW/LCSW (IDFPR license # 159-000650) LMFT (IDFPR license # 168-000148) Licensed Psychologist (IDFPR license # 268-000009). IL State Board of Education Provider Code: 102295, CPDUs.



Proof of IMHCA Membership

To receive the member discount you need to be a current member of ICA and the IMHCA division. If you are unsure, please call and we can verify your membership status.

Schedule

Workshop Sign-In:	8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
Workshop:	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Lunch (<i>on your own</i>):	12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Workshop Continues:	1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Test Preparation Guides

IMHCA offers the NBCC test preparation booklets for the NCMHCE exam. You can order the guide, which is a sample exam, on our website for \$65.00. Registrants in our NCMHCE workshop are strongly encouraged to purchase the NCMHCE guide.

Requirements for Licensure

Applications are obtained through the State of Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. You may reach them at (217) 782-8556 or by visiting www.idfpr.com. The exams are computerized and offered the first full two weeks of each month. There is no deadline for the application. The exams are developed by the National Board of Certified Counselors (NBCC). The exams are administered by a testing company, Continental Testing at (708) 531-1313. Applicants for Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) must take the NCE exam.

Applicants for the Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor (LCPC) license must take two exams: the NCE and the NCMHCE exam. The exams are computerized and offered every week M-F. There is no deadline for the application. If you have already taken and passed the NCE, you do not need to retake it.

The process involves first applying for licensure with IDFPR (\$150.00). Then, after your application is accepted, you will register for the test with both Continental Testing (\$98.00) www.continentaltesting.net and NBCC (\$275.00) at www.nbcc.org. You schedule the exam through a website.

For additional questions regarding licensure please visit our website www.imhca.org/counselor-licensure

Questions

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