

*The Massachusetts Alliance for Personal Action & the Syracuse University Training Institute are pleased to announce the presentation of the **five day** workshop*

Crafting a Coherent Moral Stance on the Sanctity of All Human Life, Especially in Light of Contemporary Society's Legitimization & Practice of All Sorts of 'Deathmaking' of Unwanted & Devalued People

*This workshop will be prepared & overseen by Prof. Wolf Wolfensberger, but the presentation will be given by his colleagues who are studying this material. Dr. Wolfensberger will **NOT** be present at the event.*

DATES & TIMES: Monday, June 6 through Friday, June 10, 2011.
Each day begins at 8:00 a.m. The last day ends at approximately 5:00 p.m. The 1st 4 days include non-optional evening sessions.

SITE: Campus Center, [Worcester State University](#), 486 Chandler St., Worcester, MA (US). Meals are available in the campus cafeteria (see **Fees**). Directions will be sent with confirmation of registration.

TO REGISTER, OR IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT:

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WHO THE WORKSHOP IS FOR:

This event is intended for two kinds of people: (a) those who perceive that death 'is in the air,' so to speak, in the sense that there is a gathering momentum that works towards the 'deathmaking' of several classes of people, including those with impairments, the debilitated sick & lowly people without defenders; & (b) those who are uncomfortable with a pick-and-choose approach that endorses some deathmakings & objects to others, & who would like to work toward a more coherent position on the sanctity of human life. It is especially relevant for any such persons who are on the side of societally devalued people, e.g., as family members, advocates or service workers.

CONTENT OF THE WORKSHOP:

The content of this event attempts to accomplish four aims:

(a) Awaken people to the fact that there is growing support in our society for various forms of 'deathmaking' of people who are impaired, debilitated, handicapped, poor, elderly, unwanted, etc. & that such deathmaking has already begun on such a large scale that the term **genocide** is warranted to describe it. The term 'deathmaking' refers both to any practices which outright kill people, as well as to those that greatly hasten death, or which lead other people to act against a person or group so as to increase their risk of death, or even to inflict death on the person or group.

(b) Orient participants to the deceptive disguises & interpretations ('detoxifications') that are given to deathmaking so as to make it less obvious & less repugnant.

(c) Spell out the societal dynamics & values which are leading to these developments.

(d) Help people to see the validity of a coherent moral stance in defense of all human life & what such a stance would entail; & to work towards such a stance for themselves.

FORMAT OF THE WORKSHOP:

The event is conducted as a series of lecture presentations of various lengths, with extensive use of slides & overheads. Each presentation consists of a carefully composed body of ideas, historical material or analysis. Discussion takes place after the completion of a presentation on a specific topic. Each presentation builds on the previous ones, making the entire event extremely sequential & tightly woven, so that a person cannot miss any presentation without suffering a catastrophic loss in continuity.

The material builds towards the presentation of a **coherent** stance on the sanctity of all human life in the last part of the event. It is only then that action implications – i.e., what a person might or should do – are presented.

Some participants in the past have not understood the sequentiality of the event & therefore planned their travel arrangements so that they arrived late or had to leave before the end of the event. Participants must plan to attend the entirety of the event.

FEES: The workshop tuition fee is \$650. The **additional** cost for meals (3 meals a day for the 1st 4 days; 2 meals on the last day) is \$100.00. Participants are strongly urged to take meals at the university; the workshop schedule does not really allow enough time to go out to purchase meals or to eat out.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Overnight accommodations at the university are \$25 **per night** (single dorm style in a suite; shared bath in each suite). Several hotels are located nearby the university; ask the registrar for a list.

REFUND POLICY:

- *Cancellation up to 10 days before an event: 85% of the tuition fee will be refunded.
- *Cancellation between 0 & 10 days before an event: 75% of the tuition fee will be refunded.
- *No refund for registrants who fail to show up but have not notified *The SRV Implementation Project* of their cancellation.
- *No refund for registrants who leave an event before its conclusion.
- *If the sponsors cancel the event, they will refund all tuition fees.

TO REGISTER, PLEASE SEND THE COMPLETED FORM BELOW ALONG WITH PAYMENT TO: Jo Massarelli, *The SRV Implementation Project*, 74 Elm Street, Worcester, MA 01609 US (or email to register@srvip.org).

Checks should be made out in US \$ to *SRV Implementation Project*. **All non-US** attendees must pay by credit card. To pay by credit card via PayPal, contact the registrar.

REGISTRATION FORM (SEE ABOVE FOR PAYMENT INFORMATION): 

Name

check here to include meals

check here to include overnight accommodations (please indicate # of nights _____)

Agency (if any)

Street Address

City

State/Province

Zip/Postal code

Phone Number

Email Address