The Collaborative Conference on Rural Mental Health (CCRMH) is an annual event dedicated to promoting research, practice, and training issues unique to mental health services in rural areas.

We have made a conscious effort to preserve the features that have made previous meetings a success. One paramount feature that we sought to maintain is a collegial atmosphere, including a poster session, a friendly venue for student presentations and roundtable discussions. Since our first collaborative meeting four years ago, a review of this years’ program evidences success in the forging of collaborative relationships in the region across programs. We look forward to seeing you later this month!

**Directions and Accommodations**

**Location:** CCRMH will be held in **Linville Falls room of Plemmons Student Union**, located in the center of campus at ASU. [Click here to see Plemmons Student Union on a campus map.](#)

**Parking:** All-day parking is available at the Rivers Street Parking Deck for $5.00. The deck is approximately a 3-minute walk from Plemmons Student Union. [Click here to see the Rivers Street Parking Deck on a map.](#)

**Lodging:**

Country Inn & Suites  828-264-4234  
Fairfield Inn & Suites  828-268-0677  
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Hampton Inn  828-264-0077  
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Conference Agenda

Thursday, April 17th, 1:00-4:15

CE Workshop: Responding to Common Ethical Issues in Rural Areas
James Werth, Jr., PhD, ABPP
APA-Approved CE Provider

Virtually any publication on rural practice will highlight the ethical dilemmas that frequently occur in such settings. The major issues that are discussed are competence, confidentiality and multiple relationships, all of which can be separate dilemmas or can be intertwined. What is lacking from many publications are suggestions for how to deal with these issues. This workshop will include not only examples of dilemmas but also potential solutions that can be implemented proactively or immediately when recognition of a problem occurs. Resources will be provided in handouts.

• This program will provide 3.0 Contact Hours (Category A) continuing education for psychologists.
• 3.0 Contact Hours from Northwest AHEC
• 3.0 CEUs from Wake Forest School of Medicine
• 3.0 Contact Hours NBCC (Provider #5465)

REGISTRATION FEE: $60

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER AND PAY ONLINE!

Friday, April 18:

9:00-10:30- Coffee Social and Poster Session

10:30-11:30- Patient, Provider, and Behavioral Health Consultant Perspectives on Barriers to Mental Health Service Seeking and Utilization in Primary Care Sarah Hill, Courtney Lilly, Peggy Cantrell, & Joellen Edwards, ETSU

11:30-12:00- Trauma Warriors Finding Growth Through Spirituality Bethany Hall & Ruth Riding-Malon, Radford University

12:00-1:30– Lunch downtown

1:30-2:30- Effectiveness and Implementation of an Interdisciplinary School Mental Health Program in Rural Southern Appalachia Rafaealla Sale, JP Jameson, Kurt Michael, Cameron Massey, & Anne Stevens, Appalachian State Univ.

2:30-3:00- A Qualitative Study of Appalachian Employers’ Perceptions of Hiring Psychologists Matthew Tolliver (ETSU), JP Jameson (ASU), Lisa Curtin (ASU), & Jodi Polaha (ETSU)

3:00-3:15 Break


4:15-5:00– Roundtable: Rural Training from the Students’ Perspective David Bumgarner & Courtney Lilly, ETSU; Sarah Lyall, Radford University; Cameron Massey & Rafaealla Sale, ASU; Moderators: JP Jameson & Lisa Curtin, ASU

Registration: Once again, Friday is FREE, but we request you register by 4/14. You can access the registration form by clicking here.

PLEASE NOTE: Registration for Thursday’s workshop and Friday’s program are separate. If you would like to attend both, please register at both the AHEC site (link on the left panel) and the ASU site (link above).

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