

Speakers at a Glance ...

Ellen Abbott, MA, has served as the Director of the Office of Criminal Justice Services for TDMHSAS since 2008. Ms. Abbott provides oversight of 58 recovery courts, including Veteran Treatment Courts and other specialized treatment programs. She also holds degrees from Auburn and Middle Tennessee State University.

Gail Vaughn Ashworth, JD, is a founding member of the Wiseman Ashworth Law Group. A specialist with extensive legal and mediation experience, Ms. Ashworth is a past president of the Nashville and Tennessee Bar Associations, and board chair of the TN Justice Center, TN Legal Community Foundation, and other non-profits. Since 1995, Gail has consistently been listed in Best Lawyers in America.

Monica Coakley, JD, is a Principal in KPMG's Washington National Tax practice and is the firm's National Tax Leader for Healthcare. Ms. Coakley received her JD from Harvard Law and is a member of the New York, New Jersey, and Tennessee bars. She also serves on multiple non-profit boards and committees.

Fletch Coke is a historian and one of Nashville's leading preservationists. Ms. Coke has been involved with Nashville's homeless population for 25 years., primarily through Matthew 25 and Storefront Ministry. An avid researcher, she uses this expertise in her affiliation with the Nashville City Cemetery.

Bill Dobbins, MPA, has been a registered lobbyist since 1998, where he works closely with legislators and department leaders. Mr. Dobbins currently represents Mental Health America of Middle Tennessee, TN Voices for Children, and the TN Mental Health Consumers Association. He has also served on boards that include the TN Society of Assn Executives, Bethel University, and TN Intercollegiate State Legislature.

Russ Willis, JD, is a graduate of the University of Tennessee School of Law. Having worked as law clerk for Judge Koch and Judge Higgins before managing his private practice for 25 years, Mr. Willis currently serves as Disciplinary Counsel for the TN Board of Professional Responsibility.

Carol Wilson, LBSW, has been a part of Metro Social Service for 21 years. Currently Ms. Wilson serves as the Program Manager of Indigent Burial Cremation Services where she handles major responsibilities in the areas of Senior Nutrition and manages grants for home-delivered and congregate meals. A consistent activist for the Cayce Family Resource Center, Ms. Wilson is also a member of multiple faith-based outreach committees throughout Davidson County.



Founded in 1946, the agency formerly known as Mental Health Association of Middle Tennessee is now called Mental Health America of Middle Tennessee (MHAMT).

Its mission is to:

- ◆ Connect the community with specialized mental health and wellness resources
- ◆ Provide services that improve the quality of life
- ◆ Promote effective services where mental health needs exist

MHAMT believes that:

- ◆ Mental illness is real and treatable
- ◆ Every life is worth saving
- ◆ There is no health without mental health

This symposium is part of MHAMT's educational outreach. It reinforces our commitment to improving the quality of care for mental health consumers and to advancing research-based knowledge. It also serves as an important tool for professionals who work with mental health consumers.

**This seminar is hosted at the office of
Bass Berry and Sims, PLC
150 3rd Ave S, Ste 2800
Nashville, TN 37201**

Discounted parking is available in the Pinnacle Parking Garage for \$5.25. These discounted parking vouchers for the Pinnacle Garage may be purchased at the seminar during breaks.

Bacon & Caviar will cater the free lunch for attendees. We hope that choices of BBQ, salad, baked potato, dessert and fruit tea will accommodate special diets. Other eateries are within walking distance of the Pinnacle Building.

**Register Online:
www.mhamt.org**



**Mental Health Law
Tue - Nov 11 -2014
8AM - 4:30PM**



**Confidentiality, Veteran Courts,
Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder,
Legislative Update**

**\$99 Registration * 6 CLE/CEUs
(CLE includes 5.0 General & 1.0 Dual)**

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Understanding the Essentials of Mental Health Law: A Tool for Recovery



Mental Health America is the nation's oldest and largest mental health advocacy organization. This forum brings together mental health, social service, long-term care, and public safety practitioners, along with several esteemed members of the Tennessee Bar Association to discuss aspects of mental health law and the role of the state mental health justice system in ensuring that mental health concerns are understood and addressed.

Symposium Objectives

Upon completion, participants will be able to:

1. Describe the benefits of a Veterans Treatment Court for the person and for the community
2. List the most common risk management issues for behavioral therapists
3. Explain how the principle of confidentiality is different between legal professionals and behavioral therapists
4. List at least four important pieces of legislation that might impact behavioral health in early 2015
5. Explain how someone who is homeless or indigent might receive a burial in Nashville
6. List common behavioral and social effects of fetal alcohol spectrum disorders

General Outline: Six Hours of Coursework

8:00A	Registration
8:30-9:30A	Counseling Malpractice Gail Vaughn Ashworth, JD
9:45 - 10:45A	Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Monica Coakley, JD
10:45 - 11:45A	Confidentiality Russell Willis, JD
11:45A - 1:00P	Lunch
1:00 - 2:00P	Legislative Updates Bill Dobbins, MPA
2:15-3:15P	Veterans Treatment Courts Ellen Abbott, MA
3:15-4:15P	Nashville's Pauper Graves Program Fletch Coke & Carol Wilson, LBSW



Continuing Education Credits

Attorneys (CLE): This seminar is approved by the TN Commission on Continuing Legal Education and Specialization for 5.0 General and 1.0 Dual CLEs.

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Nurses: The University of Tennessee (UT)-Martin has approved this symposium for .6 CEUs. CEUs are awarded at the rate of one (1) CEU for every ten (10) hours of instruction. Upon completion of the program, the attendee will have a permanent record on file with the Academic Records Office at UT-Martin denoting this training. The attendee will also be issued a Certificate of Completion from UT-Martin. Attendees wishing to obtain a copy of a non-degree transcript may find instructions for doing so at www.utm.edu/departments/registrar/transcripts.php.

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Registration and Cancellation: Registration includes the seminar, lunch, and respective CEUs/CLEs. A substitute may attend in your place, as there is no refund. You may not receive a discount for attending only a portion of the seminar. MHAMT reserves the right to cancel the event due to unforeseen circumstances, in which case registrants will be contacted and credit will be applied.

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