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CCB Announces New Saturday Training Series Featuring Mary Kay O'Sullivan

Wallingford, CT – Beginning in April 2011, the CCB will launch a new **Saturday Training Series (STS)** that will feature affordable full-day workshops on various topics of interests for those seeking to become or already credentialed. The workshops will be held on Saturdays in Spring & Summer 2011 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm beginning in late April 2011 at the CCB office in Wallingford. Although the workshops will be specially designed for those preparing for certification, registration will be open also to anyone interested. The **STS** program will feature several training sessions presented by **Mary Kay O'Sullivan** on various addiction & co-occurring-specific topics and will also include sessions on ethics, medication assisted treatment and other topics on interest. In support of the CCB and the **STS** program participants, Mary Kay O'Sullivan and other trainers have generously offered to volunteer their time which will make the events very affordable (\$35.00 or less).

The **STS** program was developed based upon feedback from numerous individuals seeking to become or already certified with the CCB to ensure the program meets the needs and interests of working professionals. Although the events will likely interest many behavioral health professionals, the **STS** program was designed specifically to assist candidates preparing for initial certification. The **STS** topics selected and the learning objectives for each workshop are designed specifically to assist candidates build knowledge in key performance domains and to assist candidates to prepare for standardized exams. The **STS** program is highly recommended for professionals interested in an intensive learning experience similar to college, but want a more flexible and inexpensive educational option. Due to limited seating capacity, register early as many of the workshops will fill quickly. Discounted packages for CCB credentialed professionals (CITs receive a special discount) and multiple event discount packages will be available for a limited time.

The STS offerings for Spring/Summer 2011:

April 30, 2011	<u>Is it Mood Altering or Mind Altering: An Overview of Illicit & Prescription Drugs of Abuse</u> Mary Kay O'Sullivan	\$35.00
May 7, 2011	<u>Is it Addiction or Mental Illness?</u> Mary Kay O'Sullivan	\$35.00
May 14, 2011	<u>Overview of the CCB Certification Process</u> Jeffrey Quamme	no cost
May 21, 2011	<u>Applying Lifespan Development Perspective When Assessing Clients in Treatment & in Recovery Planning</u> - Mary Kay O'Sullivan	\$35.00
June 4, 2011	<u>Educating Families about Addiction in the Prevention, Intervention & Treatment Phases</u> Mary Kay O'Sullivan	\$35.00
June 11, 2011	<u>Introduction to Group Counseling</u> Jeffrey Quamme	\$35.00

June 18, 2011	<u>Using a Client's Emotional Intelligence to Promote Stabilization & Recovery</u> <i>Mary Kay O'Sullivan</i>	\$35.00
June 25, 2011	<u>Overview of the CCB Certification Process</u> <i>Jeffrey Quamme</i>	no cost
July 16, 2011	<u>Facilitating Effective Groups with Substance Abuse & Co-Occurring Clients</u> <i>Mary Kay O'Sullivan</i>	\$35.00
July 23, 2011	<u>Ethics in Addiction Counseling</u> <i>Marshall Rosier</i>	\$35.00

Additional STS training events are being scheduled now so please contact the CCB if you are interested in seeing specific offerings or topics added to the calendar. If you are interested in offering a **STS** training event, please contact the CCB office.

For more information about the new Saturday Training Series or to register for courses, please visit the CCB website at www.ctcertboard.org or contact the CCB office for assistance.