



INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE INVITATION « *PSYCHOLOGICAL TRAUMA AND SUPPORT ACTIVITIES* »

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It is to the great honor of The Faculty of Psychology, University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Vietnam National University in Hanoi and The Mental Health Institute, Bach Mai Hospital to invite you to participate in The 1st International Conference on “*Psychological trauma and support activities*”.

1. Context and conference objectives

1.1. Context

Since the last decades, scientists all over the world have been trying to understand the nature, and consequences of psychological trauma and its support methods. The study of psychological trauma is always placed in the relationship between biological, psychological and environmental factors.

Nowadays, people's lifestyle is faster paced; human relationship, even among family members, becomes more distant, and people, young and old, suffer more pressure. Besides, the values differences and conflicts of interests among individuals, groups, religions, communities, and ethnic groups become more acute in the context of globalization. These issues contribute to an increase of trauma in people, both physically and mentally.

In Vietnam today, despite the fact that psychological trauma has gathered more concerns, psychological support activities have only been implemented in small-scale and not at a professional level. People engaged in psychological support have not been professionally trained. Scientific bases and specific professional code on support contents, methods, processes are lacking and do not really match the reality. In particular, supervision activities are virtually absent.

Therefore, the organization of the scientific conference "Psychological trauma and support activities", which aims at connecting scientists, sharing knowledge and experience in

training and practice of intervention, treatment, and supervision, is necessary and of critical significance.

1.2. Conference objectives

The workshop focused on discussing the problems of theory and practice of psychological trauma and support activities to develop support programs and effective interventions in the current context of globalization.

2. Content

The conference focuses on 4 main issues:

2.1. Theory, methodology, intervention, and assessment: theories of psychological trauma; approaches in assessment, supervision and intervention; research and support methods.

2.2. Psychological trauma in children and adolescent: in the case of being subjects of bullying, violence or abuse; injury; stigmatization, discrimination; addiction (drugs addiction, gaming, social networking,...); abandonment, being orphaned, and lack of parental care.

2.3. Psychological trauma in adults: due to stress at work, unemployment, work related accidents, traffic accidents; domestic violence; pregnancy and childbirth; midlife crisis; and psychological problems in the elderly (retirement, solitude, preparing for death).

2.4. Culture, social groups and psychological trauma: culture integration, acculturation and psychological trauma; vulnerable groups (homosexuals, people with HIV, drug users, etc.); immigrants and refugees; majority and minority groups; terrorism, war and natural disasters.

3. Languages spoken in the Conference: Vietnamese, English, French

4. Hold time: 7th-8th November 2016

5. Venue: University of Social Sciences and Humanities, 336 Nguyen Trai Street, Hanoi, Vietnam

6. Article norm

Articles must range from 5,000 to 10,000 words (about 10-15 A4 pages), in Unicode font (Times New Roman), font size 12, 1.2 line spacing. Abstracts must be within about 200 to 300 words in length (Vietnamese and English / French). Articles should be well-structured and adequately cited to scientific standards, and keywords are clearly mentioned. The articles will be peer-reviewed and selected for publishing in the Proceedings of the Conference (Vietnam National University in Hanoi Publisher, ISBN).

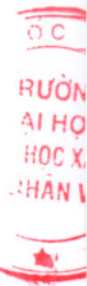
7. Deadline for Submission

- **Abstract:** until 30th May 2016

- **Full text:** until 30th July 2016

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Organizing Committee sincerely invites scientists, experts and researchers send manuscripts to attend the Conference.

Special thanks.

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