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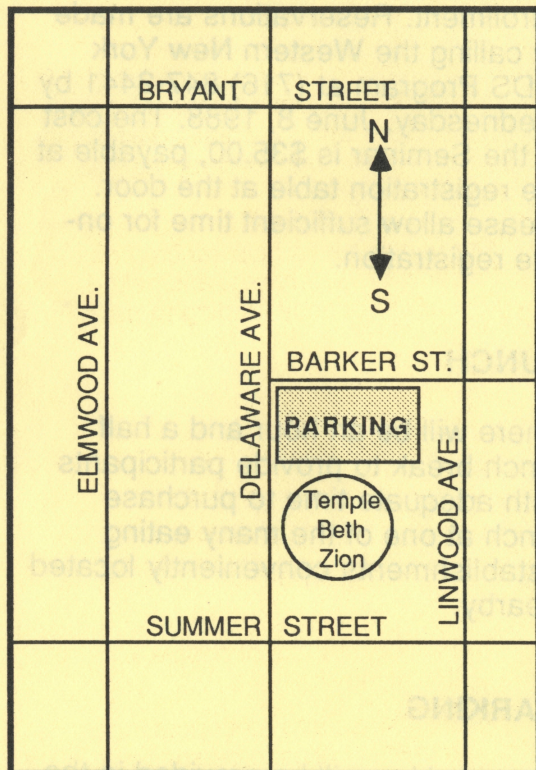
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**FRIDAY, JUNE 10, 1988  
10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

**TEMPLE BETH ZION  
805 Delaware Avenue  
Buffalo, New York**



The Seminar will be held in the Main Auditorium of Temple Beth Zion, located at 805 Delaware, between Summer and Barker Streets.

Advance registrations are required by calling 847-2441.



**Western New York  
AIDS Program**

220 Delaware Ave.  
Suite 512  
Buffalo, NY 14202

The Western New York AIDS Program (WNYAP) was established in 1983 to provide educational and supportive services to people whose lives are affected by Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS).

Basic program funding is provided by the New York State Department of Health. Additional support is obtained from our community through fund-raising and private donations.

Your contributions help secure and expand our community services, and help us to provide emergency funding to people with AIDS.

*Services are available to:*

- Persons with AIDS (PWA's) and AIDS Related Complex (ARC)
- Persons at risk of developing AIDS
- The "worried well"
- Family members, friends, partners and significant others of people with AIDS, ARC or at risk.
- Health care and other personnel who provide services to persons with AIDS and ARC
- Anyone with general concerns about AIDS who resides in the 8 counties of WNY: Allegheny, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, Niagara, Orleans and Wyoming.

Office: 716-847-2441  
Hotline: 716-847-AIDS

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## FAMILY THERAPY ARE YOU READY?

A ONE DAY SEMINAR  
PRESENTED BY

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Family Therapist  
AIDS Family Project  
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# AIDS and FAMILY THERAPY: ARE YOU READY?

The Western New York AIDS Program, in cooperation with The Northwest Buffalo Community Health Care Center, is pleased to offer this unique, one day program by Carol O'Connor, M.P.S. to mental health professionals of Western New York.

## **ACKERMAN INSTITUTE ...**

Since 1985, an interdisciplinary team at the Ackerman Institute has been providing clinical interventions for families whose lives are disrupted by AIDS. Their work has focused on both traditional and non-traditional concepts of "family". These include homosexual and heterosexual couples, children with AIDS, substance users, hemophiliacs and the family systems of which they are a part.

## **CAROL O'CONNOR, M.P.S. ...**

Ms. O'Connor is a private psychotherapist in New York City and is an integral team member of the AIDS Family Project at the Ackerman Institute. Her skills as a family therapist specifically dealing with the AIDS issue are nationally acclaimed.

## **SEMINAR CONTENT ...**

In the AIDS crisis, medical and psychosocial services have concentrated on the individual patient. The impact of this catastrophic illness on families, lovers and caregivers has been largely ignored. Ms. O'Connor will discuss intervention strategies which have proven successful in meeting the diverse needs of persons with AIDS and their loved ones. Therapeutic issues include sexuality, safer sex, HIV testing, homophobia, contamination, betrayal, guilt, denial, isolation, social stigma, death, debilitation and bereavement.

## **PARTICIPANTS ...**

This seminar is designed for Child and Family Therapists, Social Workers, Psychologists, Psychiatrists, Counselors and all mental health professionals. It is intended not only for practitioners but, administrators and policy-makers as well.

## **THE CHALLENGE ...**

Mental health professionals in Western New York will continue to face families affected by AIDS. The mission for compassionate, caring and skilled clinicians is to respond now to this growing crisis. Let this be one of our first steps in achieving this mission.

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## **SEMINAR SCHEDULE**

9:00 — 10:00	Registration and Coffee
10:00 — 12:00	Session I
12:00 — 1:30	Lunch
1:30 — 4:30	Session II
4:30 — 5:00	Evaluation

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## **REGISTRATION**

Advance registrations are required for attendance, due to limited enrollment. Reservations are made by calling the Western New York AIDS Program at (716) 847-2441 by Wednesday, June 8, 1988. The cost of the Seminar is \$35.00, payable at the registration table at the door. Please allow sufficient time for on-site registration.

## **LUNCH**

There will be an hour and a half lunch break to provide participants with adequate time to purchase lunch at one of the many eating establishments conveniently located nearby.

## **PARKING**

Free parking will be provided in the Temple Beth Zion parking lot, located at the corner of Delaware and Barker. The entrance to this lot is located off Barker St.