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**MOVING IMAGES FILM FESTIVAL**

**Adjusting the Lens | A Shift in Perspective**

**Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

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**RN166504 (Expiration Date: 12/15/2022)**

**TYPE OF COURSE MATERIALS OFFERED/TEACHING METHODS**

Evaluation | One [1]

4:00 Continuing Education Contact Hours available for RN's and LPN's

**OVERVIEW/DESCRIPTION OF THE COURSE**

The 14th Annual Moving Images Film Festival focuses on stories of people with mental health conditions, intellectual and developmental disabilities, and behavioral health challenges like substance abuse, suicide, and behaviors that fall outside societal norms by exploring how people with these challenges have the right to advocate for value-based therapeutic treatment that is preventative, accessible, and sustainable within a community. Reasonable community perspectives, expectations, and resources are the cornerstone for establishing treatment that provides caring responses with positive outcomes for individuals and society.

**BEDLAM (85 Minutes)**

Nurses watching *BEDLAM* from 11:50 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. of the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Moving Images Film Festival and virtually attend a panel discussion from 01:20 p.m. to 02:05 p.m. will gain greater appreciation of the history/evolution regarding the treatment, medication and modalities used to treat mental health (since 1403) which unfortunately really hasn't made too many strides even in the 20th and 21st century for over 50 years.

There will be an enhanced understanding that mental health issues are a lifelong illness and without early intervention and sustained and continuous treatment, the likelihood of recovery will continue to be stifled. The ridiculous "merry go round" cycle for the individual will ensue for decades, often resulting in very poor outcomes. i.e. repetitive incarceration, suicide, death, early mortality. Hence, the nurse learner will realize that their own impact (while caring for people with SMI) is unmeasurable.

**ERNIE AND JOE: Crisis Cops (98 Minutes)**

Nurses watching *Ernie and Joe: Crisis Cops* from 2:20 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. of the 14th Annual Moving Images Film Festival and virtually attend a panel discussion from 4:05 p.m. to 4:50 p.m. will:

Gain an enhanced outlook on the importance of longer, more intense CIT for law enforcement officials (Crisis Intervention Training) and the need of extending this training to nurses and teachers in an effort to achieve optimal outcomes for people in an acute mental health crisis.

Gain knowledge on the importance of de-escalating techniques, including active listening, the importance of building rapport and assessing whether the issue is medical or psychological in nature.

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### **BRIEF BIO of Mary McGinnis**

I have been a Registered Nurse since 1983 and have 38 years of experience in patient care in a variety of settings. Most of my career has been focused on Community Health Nursing and the home health arena. I also have a background as a Legal Nurse Consultant. Currently, I am the Director of Nursing for Vinfen Corporation, located in Cambridge, MA. Vinfen cares for thousands of individuals with serious mental health illnesses and clients with developmental disabilities, all who reside in the community. Our individuals have long term, chronic medical conditions, co-morbidities, and require community and nursing supports to remain in their homes, whether it be supported or independent housing or group homes. I have been intimately involved in the transitioning clients, who, for many years, resided in long term care settings and are now living in the community. I have personally experienced many clients (while in the community) achieve a higher level of satisfaction and self-respect, improved health outcomes, and a reduction of unexpected hospital visits. Our person-centered approach combined with a naturalized setting and the necessary supports (despite the complexity of medical and/or behavioral needs) has resulted in many success stories, as maintaining optimal health is our primary focus. One of the critical roles at Vinfen is to help assist in proper and safe medication administration for person's served. Adhering to Vinfen and DPH guidelines is a critical component of optimizing daily management of the folks served. At Vinfen, I have worked in collaboration with Dr. Ken Duckworth and Dr. Don Condie, Board Certified Psychiatrists, to support the culture of health prevention, medication management, risk management, disease management, and to provide professional support to nurses in the field.

### **METHOD OF EVALUATION**

An Evaluation form will be provided at the end of the film and panel discussion as a brief questionnaire on what nurses have learned.