

Calendar of Events

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March 19, 2024

Online Balint Group with Katie Margo and Sonja Ware

07:30 PM - 08:30 PM EST

Leaders facilitating the group: Katie Margo, MD, and Sonja Ware, ThM, MDiv

Time: 7:30pm - 8:30pm Eastern Time/4:30pm - 5:30pm Pacific Time

Number of meetings and Dates: Ten (10) meetings on the 3rd Tuesday of each month March - January, with the exception of July: March 19th, April 16th, May 21st, June 18th, August 20th, September 17th, October 15th, November 19th, December 17th. 2024 and January 21, 2025.

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March 21, 2024

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March 22, 2024

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March 25, 2024

Events Committee

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History & Continuity Committee Meeting

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April 8, 2024

Council Meeting

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April 15, 2024

Intensives Committee Meeting

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April 17, 2024

- April 20, 2024

Spokane Balint Leadership Training Intensive

Complete Schedule Available on the Event Page

The four-day Intensive course is designed to teach Balint group leadership technique primarily through experiential groups, supplemented by topic-focused small discussion groups and faculty panel discussions. Attendees will have ample time to present cases, practice leading a Balint group, and engage informally with other participants.

The Spokane Leadership Intensive course is appropriate for clinicians new to the Balint Group method as well as experienced Balint Group leaders. The course is well-suited to those who are currently leading, expect to lead in the future, or are seeking a better understanding of Balint groups. The curriculum is appropriate for physicians (primary care, psychiatry, other specialists), psychologists, social workers, other mental health care providers, veterinarians, and pastoral care providers.

Course Details

The conference will be held at the Ruby River Hotel where hometown hospitality and peaceful river views greet every guest. Located on the Spokane River with easy access to the Centennial Trail and Riverfront Park, perfect for a leisurely walk or bike ride.

April 18, 2024

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- May 10, 2024
- May 12, 2024 **Healing, Mindfulness & Compassion Retreat**
Ratna Ling
35755 Hauser Bridge Rd
Cazadero, CA 95421
see daily schedule
Ritch Addison,
raddison@sonic.net
Health care professionals are invited to attend the Healing, Mindfulness and Compassion Retreat at the beautiful and tranquil Ratna Ling Conference Center in the Redwoods of Sonoma County, California. The weekend conference combines Eastern and Western approaches to healing: Tibetan Yoga and Meditation as well as Balint sessions that address the complex emotional landscape of the clinician-patient relationship. The Balint group format is an empathy-enhancing practice to strengthen treatment alliances, improve care delivery, increase practitioner resilience and decrease professional isolation. Further context on the neuroscience of compassion and its importance in the provision of effective service will increase understanding of the connection between practitioners' self-care and the care they are able to offer others. The accommodations and architecture are exquisite and the weekend is educational, restful, and rejuvenating.
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September 9, 2024
- September 13, 2024

The 23rd International Balint Congress
Colorado Chautauqua
900 Baseline Road
Boulder, co 80302

Please See Schedule for Times

Cultivating Understanding and Compassion Through Balint

The International Balint Federation (IBF) is composed of 28 societies around the globe which represent varied cultures, historical backgrounds, languages and healthcare systems. While we celebrate our diversity, we acknowledge that we have much to learn from each other. Particularly when we face challenging times, it may help us to examine how Balint Groups work and what gets in their way. We will examine the ways Balint promotes the cultivation of understanding and compassion in our varied settings and experiences. We will accomplish this learning through paper presentations, workshops and rich fellowship. Please join us at The Colorado Chautauqua, a national historic landmark at the base of the Flatiron Mountains for:

Five (5) longitudinal Balint Group sessions.

Paper presentations, poster sessions and workshops.

Continuing education credit (APA and AAFP/AMA).

A rich program of cultural and nature activities for registrants and guests.

Opportunities for networking and relaxation in a beautiful environment.

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Tentative Schedule

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- September 18, 2024 **Online Balint Group with Sandra Relyea & Jack Crossen**
 06:00 PM - 07:00 PM PST
 Jack Crossen,
 crossenj@easystreet.net
ABS Credentialed Leaders facilitating the group: Jack Crossen, PhD, and Sandra Relyea PA-C
Time: 6PM Pacific Time
Number of meetings and Dates: Eight (8) meetings on 2nd Wednesday of each month
September - April: September 18 (3rd Wednesday due to IBF Congress), Oct 9, Nov 13,
Dec 11, 2024; Jan 8, Feb 12, Mar 12, Apr 9, 2025.
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