

Please join us for
CCI-USA's Annual Workshop



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Life Action!**

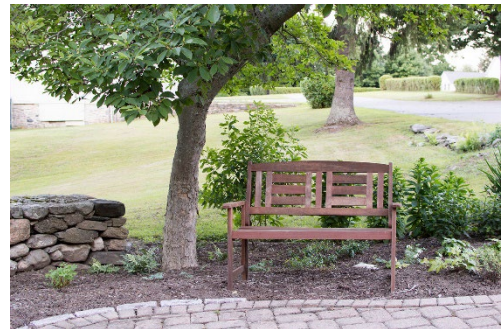
May 9-14, 2023
Wisdom House, Litchfield, Connecticut

International and nation-wide CCI members especially welcome!

The **CCI-USA ANNUAL WORKSHOP** is a national and international gathering open to all who have completed CCI co-counseling training. Our theme will be "Lights, Camera, Life Action: Befriending this powerful co-counseling tool."

WHEN: The workshop runs from 5 pm, **Tuesday, May 9** to **Sunday afternoon, May 14.**

WHERE: Wisdom House in Litchfield, Connecticut (wisdomhouse.org).



The **STANDARD FEE** includes program, meals, shared bedrooms, shared hallway bathrooms, (bedding and towels provided):

- Shared bedroom, shared hall bath = \$780 (\$755 with early bird discount)
- Private bedroom, shared hall bath = \$855 (\$830 with early bird discount)

A small number of rooms with private baths MAY become available to us. If so, they will be offered to participants for an additional charge, in order of registration date.

An **early bird discount** of \$25 is available if your registration form is postmarked on or before March 1, 2023.

To qualify for the discount, please enclose a **50% deposit** with your registration form, **OR** include a detailed payment plan.

If possible, please pay by check or post office money order, made out to **CCI-USA** in U.S. funds. Any fees paid are refundable for any reason through April 15. If you need to use PayPal, we can send an invoice.

Full payment for U.S. participants is due by April 15, 2023. (International participants may pay their balance at the workshop.)

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE is available. If you need a bursary, indicate the amount needed on your registration form. For fullest consideration, register as soon as possible. Bursary grants are typically limited to 50% of the shared room rate, but if you need more, let us know.

CONTRIBUTIONS to help cover operating and bursary expenses are tax deductible and greatly appreciated.

COVID PROTOCOLS: A co-counseling workshop is a unique event: several days of close physical and emotional connection with a large group of people--the opposite of social distancing. Many of our participants are older, at greater risk of complications from Covid. So it's important that we do what we can to minimize the risk of Covid transmission for all participants.

UPDATE: As of January 27, we will NOT require a PCR lab test prior to the workshop. In lieu of the PCR, participants will be expected to have negative results on a rapid home test taken Monday and another taken on Tuesday, before traveling to the workshop. (Two tests reduce the chance of a false negative.) Participants will also be expected to:

- Complete a screening questionnaire on the first day of the workshop, showing no symptoms of Covid and no recent exposure to anyone diagnosed with, or suspected of having Covid.
- Continue to show negative results on daily rapid tests, self-administered at the workshop (these tests to be supplied by CCI).

We'll send more information about these protocols, and any changes or updates, prior to the workshop.

At this point, we ENCOURAGE (but do not plan to require) all participants to be fully vaccinated, including the bivalent booster (available since September 2022). If you have any questions about these protocols, please contact Judy Hartling (a member of the Covid protocol team) at judyhartling@gmail.com or 413-454-1585.

FUNDAMENTALS AT CCI: Once again, we are excited to offer FUNDAMENTALS, PART I concurrent with the workshop. Fundamentals participants will share circles, meals and evening activities with workshop participants, and learn and practice co-counseling in their own morning and afternoon sessions. Cat Sargent, Gaia Kile, and Judy Hartling will be the lead facilitators.

The fee for Fundamentals participants who are new to co-counseling is \$710 for a shared room or \$785 for a private room, with a \$25 discount for registrations prior to March 1. Scholarship help may be available. Places are limited, so anyone interested in finding out more should contact Judy Hartling as soon as possible (judyhartling@gmail.com or 413-454-1585).

IMPORTANT DATES:

Today – the best day to register!

As soon as possible – if you need bursary assistance, or would like a single room or the possibility of a private bath.

March 1 – postmark deadline for the \$25 early bird discount (*50% deposit required, or detailed payment plan*)

April 15 – full payment from U.S. co-counselors due. Also, deadline for cancellation and full refund of any fees paid.



Due to the venue contract, refunds requested after April 15 may not be possible, and will only be considered for unforeseen medical or emergency situations.

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- Recreational use of alcohol or other drugs is not permitted during the workshop, including during free time. Smoking is restricted to a designated outdoor space.
- Wisdom House does not serve beef, pork, or shellfish as entrees. They provide delicious, gluten-free, dairy-free, vegetarian, and vegan options at each meal, but their kitchen is not certified as allergen- or gluten-free. Wisdom House asks that participants with celiac disease or other serious food allergies bring their own food. Please contact Tobi McDonald (tmcdonald@gmail.com) for more information.
- We can provide travel assistance from nearby airports (Bradley is closest) and train/bus stations (e.g., Hartford, Springfield, Providence, and New Haven). There are bus/train options from Newark, New York, and Boston. Typically, we can also help with short overnight stays before and after the workshop.
- Children are welcome at the venue, but there is no formal program for them. Their participation in workshop activities is limited. Parents/guardians are responsible to provide or arrange supervision for them. For info about applicable fees, contact Paula Lindsay, registrar, at lindsaypaula@sbcglobal.net or 860-874-5019.
- If you have been trained in a co-counseling modality other than CCI, and wish to register as a workshop participant, please contact Michael Chell (michaelchell@hotmail.com) or Kathryn Bass (kataroobass@gmail.com) ASAP (no later than **April 17**) to discuss your background.

Our Purpose. The annual CCI-USA Workshop enables co-counselors from around the United States and the world to come together to validate, discharge and re-evaluate using the co-counseling process. We share our knowledge, skills and experience and celebrate our differences in an atmosphere of safety, growth, warmth and caring.

We gather to build and practice our skills in co-counseling and to enjoy the energy and warmth of community. The workshop provides time and space for personal reflection and sharing. It is an opportunity to check in with our inner selves and to acknowledge the strength and beauty of CCI communities across the United States and the world.

We celebrate our fellow co-counselors who travel from distant parts of the USA and the world to share their love of co-counseling. They enrich the workshop immeasurably.

You are warmly invited to join us for this very special gathering!

QUESTIONS?

About the **workshop**:

Contact Pam McDonald, pmcdonald772@gmail.com, 860-796-4543, call or text.

About **housing and transportation**:

Contact Mike Root, rootm0525@gmail.com, 413-977-1445