



Conference Sessions - Program

THURSDAY, 13TH MAY 2010

- 12:00 – 17:00 **Conference Desk opens**
- 14:00 – 17:00 **Pre Conference Course A: “The Child at Risk”**
- A Child’s “Negative” Traits: A New Outlook**
Rabbi Mayer Solomon, Baltimore
- The Child at Risk through the Rabbi’s Eye**
Rabbi Daniel Oppenheimer, Buenos Aires
- Recognizing the Child at Risk**
Prof. Dr. David Pelcovitz, New York
- Discussion**
- 14:00 – 17:00 **Pre Conference Course B: “Palliative Care”**
- The Perspective of the Terminally ill Patient**
Deborah Ackermann, Zurich
- The View of the Communal Rabbi**
Rabbi Dr. Moshe Hauer, Baltimore
- Halachic and Legal Considerations**
Rabbi Prof. Dr. Avraham Steinberg, Jerusalem
- Discussion**
- From 17:00** **Transfer to Fronalpstock by chairlift or cablecar**
(In case of bad weather the Official Opening will take place at the hotel)
- 18:00 - 18:15 **Official Opening of the Conference on the Fronalpstock**
Drs. Refoel Guggenheim, Raphael Patcas, Yves Nordmann
- 18:15 - 19:00 **Introductory Key-Note Speech**
Ordeal and Crisis – A Jewish Perspective
Rabbi Dr. Akiva Tatz, London
- 19:00 **Dinner on the Fronalpstock**
- 20:00 **Return to Stoos by chairlift or cablecar**
- From 21:00** **Dessert Buffet and Klezmer Concert**
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FRIDAY, 14TH MAY 2010

09:00 - 09:10 **Welcome Address from IMA Switzerland**
Dr. Willy Krauthammer, Zurich

1st Session: Crises in Childhood

09:10 - 09:30 **Introducing the "Child" and his Psychosocial Environment**
Dr. Judith Guedalia, Jerusalem

09:30 - 09:50 **Do's and Don'ts in Early Education - a Jewish Approach**
Rabbi Dr. Moshe Hauer, Baltimore

09:50 - 10:15 **Child Abuse - How to React from a Jewish Perspective**
Prof. Dr. David Pelcovitz, New York

10:15 - 10:30 **Discussion, Q&A**

10:30 - 11:30 **Workshops** (*Refreshments provided*)
 11:30 - 12:30 *Each workshop lasts one hour and will be repeated*
Please choose two out of the three workshops

A: Crisis Prevention

Fundamentals of a Healthy and Stable Home
Rabbi Daniel Oppenheimer, Buenos Aires

**The Successful Marriage -
 Connecting with your Spouse in Difficult Times**
Rabbi Mayer Solomon, Baltimore

B: The Disabled Child

The Disabled Child - Halachic Aspects
Rabbi Prof. Dr. Avraham Steinberg, Jerusalem

Maximizing the Disabled Child's Potential
Rabbi Rafael Feuerstein, Jerusalem

C: The Child with Learning Difficulties

To test or not to test?
Dr. Judith Guedalia, Jerusalem

Dealing with the Depressed or Anxious Child
Prof. Dr. David Pelcovitz, New York

12:30 **Lunch**



FRIDAY, 14TH MAY 2010

2nd Session: Crises in Adolescence

13:30 - 13:50 **Introducing the Adolescent and his Psychosocial Environment**
Dr. Ueli Bühlmann, Zurich

13:50 - 14:10 **Jewish Teenagers' Challenges**
Rabbi Mayer Solomon, Baltimore

14:10 - 14:30 **Connecting with the Adolescent - A Rabbi's Perspective**
Rabbi Daniel Oppenheimer, Buenos Aires

14:30 - 15:00 **Discussion and Q&A**

15:00 - 16:00 **Workshops** (*Refreshments provided*)

16:00 - 17:00 *Each workshop lasts one hour and will be repeated*
Please choose two out of the three workshops

A: Rebellion in Adolescence

Relationships in Adolescence - Case Discussions
Dr. Judith Guedalia, Jerusalem

The Rebellious Teenager – A Jewish Approach
Rabbi Dr. Akiva Tatz, London

B: The Teenager at Risk

Development of the Adolescent
Rabbi Rafael Feuerstein, Jerusalem

The Jewish Moral Approach to suicide
Rabbi Prof. Dr. Avraham Steinberg, Jerusalem

C: Psychological Disorders in Teenagers

Eating Disorders and Family Dynamics
Dr. U. Buehlmann, Zurich

**Addictive Behaviour in Teenagers -
Jewish View on Causes & Treatment**
Prof. Dr. David Pelcovitz, New York

17:15 - 18:00 **Special Lecture: The Problem of Free Will**
Rabbi Dr. Akiva Tatz, London

19:30 **Kabbalat Shabbat, followed by Shabbat Dinner**

22:30 **Treatment of Depression by Maimonides and
other examples of Mental Health Approaches in Jewish History**
Rabbi Prof. Dr. Avraham Steinberg, Jerusalem



SUNDAY, 16TH MAY 2010

3rd Session: Crises in Adulthood - Part 1

09:00 - 09:30

Crisis – the Role of a Community

Rabbi Dr. Moshe Hauer, Baltimore

09:30 - 10:15

Burn Out – Prevention and Management

Prof. Dr. Wolf Langewitz, Basel

10:15 - 11:15

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A: Communicating Medical Problems

How to Communicate Devastating News

Prof. Dr. Wolf Langewitz, Basel

Halachic Issues Regarding Disclosure of Medical Problems

Rabbi Aba Dunner, London

B: Anger and Stress Management

The View of the Psychologist

Prof. Dr. David Pelcovitz, New York

The Rabbi's Perspective

Rabbi Daniel Oppenheimer, Buenos Aires

C: Addiction

How does Addiction Work?

Prof. Dr. Wulf Rössler, Zurich

Addiction - A Jewish Perspective

Rabbi Rafael Feuerstein, Jerusalem

11:30 - 12:00

Infertility – Causes, Treatments

Dr. Michael Häberle, GYN-A.R.T., Zurich

12:00 - 12:30

Infertility –The Jewish perspective and Halachic Guidelines

Rabbi Prof. Dr. Avraham Steinberg, Jerusalem

12:30 - 13:00

Discussion and Q&A

13:00

Buffet Lunch



SUNDAY, 16TH MAY 2010

4th Session: Crises in Adulthood - Part 2

- 14:00 - 14:40 **Depression – Recognition and Treatment**
Prof. Dr. Wulf Rössler, Zurich
- 14:40 - 15:00 **Depression – A Jewish Perspective**
Dr. Judith Guedalia, Jerusalem
- 15:00 - 15:30 **The Ultimate Crisis: End of Life Decisions**
Rabbi Prof. Dr. Avraham Steinberg, Jerusalem
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16:45 - 17:20 **Coping with a Mentally Ill Family Member**

Prof. Dr. David Pelcovitz, New York

17:20 - 18:00 **Faith in Times of Crisis**

Rabbi Dr. Akiva Tatz

18:00 **Concluding Remarks, Buffet**