

# TITLE IV-E COLLABORATIVE PRESENTS

## Ceremonies of Leave-Taking: Acts of Saying Goodbye

**JANET CHILDS**

Friday, May 9, 2019

1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Registration 12:30 PM

West Valley Campbell Community Center  
One West Campbell Avenue, Campbell CA  
Room k 62

**Janet Childs, Dr.** Since 1970, Janet Childs has been actively providing crisis intervention counseling and education focusing on the dynamics of loss, illness, crisis and grief. As a founding member of the Centre for Living with Dying, Janet has participated in the growth of this organization, and has worked with thousands of individuals, groups and professionals on the front lines. The Centre is an international bereavement counseling program - the most comprehensive of its kind in the country, serving over one and a half million people since 1976. The Centre provides support, intervention and education for all age groups and professions on the life issues of loss, serious illness, death, grief and trauma. She presently oversees the educational programs and coordinates the Bay Area Critical Incident Stress Management Team. For the past 30 years, she has offered POST Certified Training for public safety personnel and for the past 35 years, has provided Certified Training for social workers, nurses, teachers and therapists. She has received many awards for working with schools, fire and police departments, traumatic grief and crisis intervention. She has responded with support to major critical incidents such as 9-11, Hurricane Katrina and several earthquakes, locally, such as Loma Prieta. Combining her love of music with her personal and professional experience with loss, she creates a safe and healing environment to gently examine these difficult life issues.

Many of us feel the need to say "Goodbye" to people or situations that have changed or who are no longer a part of our life. The death of loved ones, job change, relationship loss, internal growth and releasing of old patterns call for an action step. Explore practical skills in organizing a ceremony of leave-taking to help you adjust and build a 'New Normal'.

Outcomes:

- Learn different cultural and religious responses to rituals of leave-taking
- Identify events or experiences in life that may require a ceremony of leave-taking
- Practice skills in creating a ceremony of leave-taking for ourselves and our clients

This course qualifies for 2 hours of continuing education. Continuing education (CE) hours are available to maintain the following licenses with the Board of Behavioral Sciences (BBS): Marriage and Family Therapists, Licensed Clinical Social Workers, and Licensed Professional Clinical Counselors.

West Valley College is an accredited post-secondary institution and is recognized by the BBS as an approved continuing education provider. The college is accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges pursuant to Section 1887.4.3.

### Eligible County Employees



For questions contact Staff Development & Training at [Rianna.Garciaoi@ssa.sccgov.org](mailto:Rianna.Garciaoi@ssa.sccgov.org)

*\*Must obtain Supervisor approval prior to registering\**

### Eligible Non-County Employees

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<https://register.asapconnected.com/Courses.aspx?CourseGroupID=28977>

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