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***Continuing Education Credit: Training to Support Asylum Applicants Using Your Clinical Expertise***

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Dear Colleague,

Many asylum applicants must have physical or psychological evaluations conducted by trained clinicians to document harm suffered that is part of their asylum claim. This requires volunteer clinicians like you. The [Asylum Medicine Training Initiative](#) (AMTI) provides clinicians with the necessary training in a convenient online format that can be done anytime through 2026, anywhere, at no cost to you.

The New York City (NYC) Health Department is proud to partner with NYC Health + Hospitals and the AMTI to offer continuing education credit for this training across a wide range of health care disciplines (physicians [MDs/DOs], licensed psychologists, social workers, physician associates [PAs], nurse practitioners, and midwives). You can receive up to five (5) contact/credit hours.

This training is available to health care providers across the United States. You can access the course and receive continuing education credit in your eligible discipline. Once you've completed the training, the AMTI has links to volunteer networks in your area to connect you with people in need of evaluations.

See the attached document for additional details on how to register and claim your credit.

On behalf of the NYC Health Department, thank you for taking advantage of this resource and using your clinical expertise to help uphold the global right to seek asylum.

Best,

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**NYC Department of Health & Mental Hygiene  
through Joint Providership with NYC Health + Hospitals**

**Presents Recorded Webinar (Enduring Material)**

**Activity Title:** Asylum Medicine Training Initiative – Introductory Curriculum, Modules 1-5

**Speakers:** Uzoamaka Emeka Nzelibe, Elena Jiménez Gutiérrez, Shawn Sidhu, Coleen Kivlahan, Karen Musalo and Stuart Lustig

**Disciplines Eligible to Receive Credits\*:** Physician (MD/DO), Licensed Psychologists, Social Workers, PAs, NPs, Midwives

**Goal:** To train health professionals to conduct forensic medical and mental health evaluations for people seeking asylum and other forms of humanitarian protection in the U.S.

**Learning Outcomes:**

- ❖ Apply knowledge essential to conducting forensic medical and mental health evaluations of people seeking asylum and other forms of humanitarian protection in the U.S.
- ❖ Integrate best practices of trauma-informed care when working with people seeking asylum and other trauma-exposed individuals.
- ❖ Recognize the unique needs of special populations of people seeking asylum and other forms of humanitarian protection and how to gain the additional training needed to care for these populations.

**Activity Completion Instructions:**

- ❖ Visit the AMTI website ([asylummedtraining.org](http://asylummedtraining.org)) to complete the registration and pre-course assessment (if not already completed)
- ❖ Complete AMTI Modules 1-5
- ❖ After completing each AMTI module, visit <https://ww2.highmarksce.com/nyh/> and select the corresponding AMTI module from the listing of enduring materials. You will be prompted to create or use your Non-NYC Health + Hospitals User login. Once logged in, click to access the module content and the link to the evaluation you need to complete to receive credit for that module will appear.
- ❖ Complete AMTI post-course assessment and receive a passing score of 80% or above to receive your AMTI certificate

**Time:** Accessible anytime

**Location:** Recorded Online Modules – Access on HighMarksCE and at [asylummedtraining.org](http://asylummedtraining.org)

For registration information, please contact Tim Treinen at [asylummedtraining@gmail.com](mailto:asylummedtraining@gmail.com)

\*All other disciplines will receive a certificate of module completion.

### **Physician Accreditation Statement**

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Accreditation Requirements and Policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of the NYC Health + Hospitals and Asylum Medicine Training Initiative.

NYC Health + Hospitals is accredited by The Medical Society of the State of New York (MSSNY) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

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