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MHS director leads workshop at counselors' national meeting

AMHERST, Mass. – Decisions made by counseling center directors can range from simple to life-altering. A workshop being presented this week by Harry Rockland-Miller, Ph.D., Director of Mental Health Services at University Health Services offers a process for making choices by examining the situation and type of decision required.

Rockland-Miller's workshop on "Situational Leadership" is among those featured at the annual meeting of the Association for University and College Counseling Center Directors (AUCCCD), taking place through November 7 in Indianapolis, Ind. The AUCCCD, a professional association focused on leadership and management of college mental health centers, has more than 670 members throughout the U.S., Canada, Europe and Asia.

"Most counseling center directors have never had formal training in decision-making processes," Rockland-Miller said. "This workshop presents a decision-making model based on analysis of the situation at hand." Participants will analyze decision-making dilemmas and discuss circumstances encountered in their own practices.

Rockland-Miller is also among 15 experienced professionals selected by the AUCCCD as a "Consulting Director on Duty," providing information and support to other college and university counseling directors at the conference.

Rockland-Miller is a clinical psychologist whose interests include individual, couples and family therapy, consultation, and crisis intervention. A member of the UHS staff since 1995, he holds a Ph.D. and a M.A. from the California School of Professional Psychology.

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