



## Society for the Study of Psychiatry & Culture 2016 Webinar Series Providing Mental Health Care for Syrian Refugees

**Monday, March 7, 2016 | 1-2:30 p.m. (EST)**

### SPEAKERS

Ghayda Hassan, Université du Québec à Montréal

Hussam Jefee-Bahloul, UMass Medical School; Yale School of Medicine

Peter Ventevogel, Public Health Section, UNHCR

### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

By the end of the webinar, participants will be able to:

- Describe the challenges facing Syrian refugees, including considerations of the relevant sociocultural context and their cultural understanding of mental health and illness (Ghayda Hassan).
- Outline key clinical implications in providing mental health and psychiatry care for Syrian refugees (Hussam Jefee-Bahloul).
- Discuss system level issues and the global mental health response from an international perspective (Peter Ventevogel).

### REGISTRATION

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The SSPC Annual Meeting, “Clinical, Research, and Policy Issues in Cultural Psychiatry,” will take place in Minneapolis, Minnesota, on May 5–7, 2016.

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# WEBINAR PARTICIPANTS



## **Ghayda Hassan, PhD**

*Université du Québec à Montréal*

Ghayda Hassan is a clinical psychologist and professor of clinical psychology at UQAM university in Montreal and has several research, clinical, and community based national and international affiliations. Her systematic reviews, research, and clinical activities are centered around four main areas of clinical cultural psychology: (1) Intervention in family violence & cultural diversity; (2) Identity, belonging, and mental health of children and adolescents from ethnic/religious minorities; (3) Cohabitation, intercommunity relations, and violent extremism; (4) Working with vulnerable immigrants and refugees.



## **Hussam Jefee-Bahloul, MD**

*UMass Medical School, Yale School of Medicine*

Hussam Jefee-Bahloul, MD a Syrian addiction psychiatrist, Assistant Professor at University of Massachusetts Medical School, and Lecturer at Yale School of Medicine, conducting global mental health research concerning substance use and mental health issues and the use of technology in delivering services and capacity building interventions in the Syrian humanitarian setting.



## **Peter Ventevogel, MD**

*Public Health Section, UNHCR*

Peter Ventevogel, MD, is a psychiatrist and a medical anthropologist. Since October of 2013 he is the Senior Mental Health Expert with UNHCR, the refugee agency of the United Nations. From 2008-2013 he was the editor-in-chief of *Intervention, Journal for Mental Health and Psychosocial Support in Conflict Affected Areas*, published by the War Trauma Foundation. He worked with the NGO HealthNet TPO in mental health projects in Afghanistan (2002–2005) and Burundi (2005–2008) and as their Technical Advisor Mental Health in the head office in Amsterdam (2008–2011). In 2011 and 2012 he also worked as psychiatrist with Arq Foundation, the national trauma expert center in the Netherlands. Peter regularly did consultancies for the World Health Organization and the UNHCR in Egypt, Jordan, Libya, Pakistan, Sudan and Syria. He has been course director of several academic short courses such as the course “Culture, Psychology and Psychiatry” (Amsterdam Masters of Medical Anthropology), and the “Practice Oriented Course Mental Health & Psychosocial Support in Post Conflict Setting” (HealthNet TPO, the Netherlands) and the annual course “Mental Health in Complex Emergencies” by Fordham University.