

Medicine & Compassion

Upcoming Retreat with Lama Oser & Dr. David Shlim September 22nd-26th, 2021

The Medicine and Compassion Retreat will introduce attendees to the possibilities of expanding their capacity for compassion, while making it more stable, inclusive, and effortless. We will explore methods that can help you more easily access your own compassion and to teach others about it.

To get a taste of past retreats, please view our video collection.

This retreat is the only one in the world, to our knowledge, in which a Tibetan lama teaches directly and exclusively to healthcare professionals and caregivers about compassion!

The retreat is an intimate experience, limited to 25 attendees.

Location

The setting for the retreat is an ideally relaxing luxury dude ranch nestled in the woods between Grand Teton National Park and Yellowstone National Park. We have exclusive use of <u>Turpin</u> <u>Meadow Ranch</u> for the duration of the retreat and will enjoy three gourmet meals per day, a comfortable well-appointed classroom and access to private hiking trails.

Registration

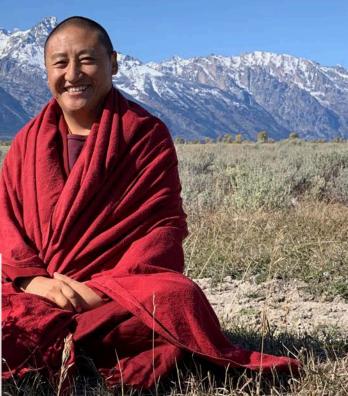
Tuition: \$2,000 all inclusive of teaching, lodging and food. If you have any questions about the retreat, or whether it is the right step for you, please email Dr. Shlim using the "Email Me" button on the website.



Our Teachers

Lama Oser received his training in Chokyi Nyima Rinpoche's monastery, and has become one of the top recognized teachers in the lineage. He is skilled at teaching in English.

Dr. David R. Shlim hosted the world's first conference on Medicine and Compassion in 2000 and has been lecturing and writing on the subject for the past twenty years.



The retreat will have a special emphasis on developing a personal meditation practice, including one-one tutoring with Lama Oser.

This is a rare and unique opportunity to develop confidence in one's own efforts at training in compassion with the personal support of a trained Tibetan Buddhist Lama.





Frequently Asked Retreat Questions

Cancelation & Payment Policy

We are asking for a \$500 deposit to secure your spot. The deposit will be refundable, minus a \$50 processing fee, before July 1st, 2021. We will bill you for the balance after August 1st, 2021. After August 1st, the tuition will be refundable, minus the \$500 deposit.

Are there any protocols in place around COVID-19?

We require proof of vaccination prior to attending the retreat. Additionally we request that all attendees conduct a self-assessment prior to arriving and ensure they are not showing any symptoms of COVID-19 and have not been in contact with anyone who has tested positive within the preceding 14 days.

I am not a medical professional...can I attend the retreat?

The retreat is mainly designed for healthcare professionals and caregivers and meant to be of benefit to people who need stable, inclusive and effortless access to compassion in their daily work lives. Although most attendees are in the medical field, the retreat is open to others who are also motivated by learning about compassion.

What is covered in the Retreat?

The retreat will combine lectures, discussion, problem-solving, and meditation practice. The small group size will be ideal for asking questions and helping to design approaches that attendees can bring back to their respective institutions. Topics to be covered include:

- 1. Definition and basis of compassion
- 2. Understanding impermanence
- 3. Six ways to train directly to improve compassion
- 4. The relationship between a relaxed mind and a compassionate attitude
- 5. Meditation training
- 6. Helping patients with the end of life

What is the daily schedule like? How much free-time can I expect?

The day is divided into teaching sessions and breaks, with a long break in the afternoon for relaxing or walking in the woods.

When should I plan to arrive and depart?

The retreat begins on Wednesday evening, September 22nd with an orientation at 7:00pm. You are welcome to arrive anytime after lunch on Wednesday. Dinner will be provided that night. The retreat concludes after lunch on Sunday, September 26th.

Late September can be an ideal time to explore Grand Teton National Park and Yellowstone, although of course the weather can be unpredictable. If you have time, we can help arrange sightseeing and local activities before or after the retreat.

How would I get there?

The airport at Jackson Hole is located approximately an hour's drive from the ranch. There is no public transportation to and from the ranch. You can explore transportation options, including taxis and shuttles. An Uber or Lyft will cost approximately \$150, depending on local demand. Most past participants have chosen to rent a vehicle, so as to be able to explore the surrounding areas with ease. If you have any issues arranging transport, please contact us.