

## Welcome to the 30th APSAC Colloquium!

## **About the Colloquium**

This year we are offering 6 advanced training institutes and over 140 advanced training workshops, information/discussion roundtables and posters, which address all aspects of child maltreatment, including prevention, cultural issues, assessment, intervention and treatment of victims, perpetrators and families affected by physical, sexual and psychological abuse and neglect.

The educational goal of APSAC's Colloquium is to foster professional excellence in the field of child maltreatment by providing interdisciplinary professional education.

Upon completion of this activity, participants should be able to:

- 1) Identify physical abuse, psychological abuse, sexual abuse and neglect in children
- 2) Treat abused and neglected children
- 3) Apply model evaluation techniques for assessment of abused/neglected children
- 4) Describe and utilize the most up-to-date information concerning working with abused and neglected children to improve patient care
- 5) Prepare and provide quality testimony in court cases, both as experts and as witnesses

Workshops have been designed for professions serving maltreated children and their families along with those working to prevent child and family maltreatment, including child protective services, counseling, education, law enforcement, medicine, nursing, prevention, psychology, research, law, and social work.

## Join Your Colleagues at These Special Events!

See the APSAC website for details and information (in some cases a fee will apply)

### Tuesday, May 23rd

Walk Together with EndCAN and APSAC: Rise With Us to end child abuse and neglect 6:00PM

### Wednesday, May 24th

After the workshops, join your colleagues for hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar, and view over 30 poster presentations on recent research findings and issues in child maltreatment at the Awards/Welcome Reception/Poster Sessions.



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SafeSport

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The Mama Bear Effect

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children

The National Foundation to End Child Abuse and Neglect (EndCAN)

## **Colloquium Events**

**APSAC Business Meeting** 

(No additional fee, no pre-registration is required)

#### **Awards/Welcome Reception/Poster Presentations**

(No additional fee, pre-registration is required – see appropriate box on registration form)

### **Presentation Formats**

**90-minute Workshops -** Each presenter or team of presenters will have 90 minutes to present their work.

**60-minute Workshops -** Each presenter or team of presenters will have 60 minutes to present their work.

**30-minute Research Session -** Research sessions will be scheduled consecutively during a 60-minute or 90-minute block. Each presenter or team of presenters will have 30 minutes to present their research.

**Roundtable Discussion -** During a 60-minute block of time 4-6 information/discussion roundtables will be held simultaneously in the hotel ballroom. There will be no AV equipment used for these information/discussion roundtables, but handouts are encouraged.

**Poster Presentation -** Posters will be displayed at the Welcome Reception on Wednesday evening from 5:30 – 7:00PM

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## Schedule (MDT)

### May 22, Monday

### **Advanced Training Institute 1 (day one)**

7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Registration
8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Institutes 1 and 2
10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Break
11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. Lunch on your own
2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Break

### May 23, Tuesday

## Advanced Training Institutes/Cultural Institute and APSAC Colloquium Opening

7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Registration 8:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Institutes 2 - 6 11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Lunch on your own 1:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. **Opening Workshop** Sessions 3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Break 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Opening Welcome Plenary 6:00 p.m. Walk Together with **EndCAN** and APSAC: Rise With Us to end child abuse and neglect

### May 24, Wednesday

### **APSAC Colloquium**

7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Registration and **Exhibits** 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast 8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. **Keynote Address** 9:45 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. **Break** 10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Workshop Sessions 11:45 a.m. -- 12:45 p.m. Bring your lunch and enjoy Roundtable Discussions 12:45 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Break 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. **Workshop Sessions** 2:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. **Break** 2:45 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. **Workshop Sessions** 4:15 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Break 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. **Workshop Sessions** 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Awards, Reception,

Posters and More

## May 25, Thursday APSAC Colloquium

7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Registration and **Exhibits** 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast 8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. Opening Plenary 9:45 a.m. -- 10:15 a.m. Break 10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Workshop Sessions 11:45 a.m. -- 12:45 p.m. Bring your lunch and enjoy Roundtable Discussions 12:45 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Break

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### May 26, Friday

### **APSAC Colloquium**

8:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Registration and Exhibits
8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast
8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Workshop Sessions
10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Break
10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Workshop Sessions

### **Program Categories**

The Colloquium is divided into tracks that focus on specific topics. The following is a list of the different categories offered:

Cultural Diversity
Child Protection/Child Welfare
Interdisciplinary
Forensic Interviewing
Law
Law Enforcement
Mental Health
Medicine and Nursing
Prevention
Policy
Young Professional

\*Room assignments are listed in gray box next to each workshop

# **30TH APSAC COLLOQUIUM – PLENARIES AND KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

## **Tuesday May 23rd (3:30-5:30PM)**

## Join APSAC & EndCAN for the Opening Welcome Plenary

Child Abuse and Substance Use: which is the chicken and which is the egg?

& Walk Together with EndCAN and APSAC: Rise With Us to end child abuse and neglect (6:00PM)



Lori Poland, M.A., L.P.C.

# Wednesday May 24th (8:30-9:45AM)

# The Sage Charles T. Hendrix Keynote Address

How Can We Mindfully Navigate Everyday Racism?



**Howard Stevenson, PhD** 



Richard Krugman, M.D.

# Thursday May 25th Plenary (8:30-9:45AM)

## **Morning Plenary**

Healing Interpersonal and Racial Trauma:

Integrating Racial Socialization Into Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy for African American Youth



Isha Metzger, PhD

# PRE-CONFERENCE ADVANCED/ CULTURAL TRAINING INSTITUTES

## Monday, May 22 Institutes 1 & 2

8:30AM - 4:30PM

10:00AM - 10:15AM Break

11:45AM - 1:15PM Lunch on your own

2:45PM -3:00PM Break

## 1. Adolescent Problematic Sexual Behavior is Serious...and There is Hope: Best practices in community response and treatment

This multidisciplinary preconference institute will provide an overview of problematic sexual behavior in adolescents and share best practices and innovative efforts to enhance community response and treatment.

Susan Schmidt, PhD Tricia Gardner, JD Natalie Gallo, LPC Kate Theimer, PhD Jimmy Widdifield, Jr., LPC Ashley Galsky, PhD

Interdisciplinary

Windows

2. Physical Abuse: From sentinel injuries to abusive head trauma

Part 1: Monday May 22 8:30AM - 4:30PM Part 2: Tuesday May 23 8:30AM - 11:45AM

Physical abuse may manifest with a wide range of signs and symptoms, from subtle bruising to significant traumatic brain or abdominal injury. Evaluating children who are suspected victims of physical abuse requires a multidisciplinary approach with collaboration between medical professionals, child protective services workers, and law enforcement. Medical findings, terminology, and biomechanics of injury may be very perplexing for non-medical community partners. Therefore, this pre-conference institute and APSAC conference lectures will cover the basics of child physical abuse including cutaneous lesions (bruises, bumps and burns), oral injuries, fractures, and internal injuries plus address advanced and emerging issues in the field through a review of the current literature.

Debra Esernio-Jenssen, MD Barbara Knox, MD

Tower A

Medicine and Nursing



# PRE-CONFERENCE ADVANCED/ CULTURAL TRAINING INSTITUTES

## Tuesday May 23 Institutes 2-6

8:30AM - 11:45AM

10:00AM - 10:15AM Break

11:45AM -1:15PM Lunch on your own

2. Physical Abuse: From sentinel injuries to abusive head trauma Part 2 Room: Tower A

#### 3. Testifying in Court: The importance of getting it right

Testifying in court is often a daunting proposition. Yet, child protection workers, law enforcement officers and other professionals regularly do testify and often under subpoena. This is a multidisciplinary session focused on the practical aspects of preparing for and presenting in court, as well as strategies for navigating the judicial process in child abuse cases. It will address how to manage the expectations of attorneys and judges while operating within your own professional standards and ethics.

Viola Vaughan-Eden, PhD Robert Geffner, PhD Stacie LeBlanc, JD

Windows

Interdisciplinary

#### 4. Trauma and Memory

Over the past few decades, questions about the impact of trauma upon memory and the observations that many victims of severe trauma report periods of not being able to recall the details of their traumas have garnered a great deal of attention. This Institute seeks to present the latest research, perspectives, and consensus on memory and trauma from the perspectives of forensic practice including a notable case report subject, the development of Developmental Trauma Disorder, new conceptualizations, and legal issues surrounding memory and trauma. (This institute will end at 1:15PM)

David Corwin, MD Steven Berkowitz, MD Nicole S. Kluemper, PhD Julian D. Ford, Ph.D., A.B.P.P. Marcie Hamilton, JD Gail Goodman, PhD

Tower D

#### 5. Racial Justice Forum

This workshop, sponsored by the Racial Justice Forum and Cultural Institute, focuses on the racial disparities and inequities of the Child Welfare system and how to reduce them. Speakers will use a racial equity lens to examine how a history of racism has impacted and continues to affect the Child Welfare system. It will explore ongoing challenges, and the types of innovations that can reimagine the future. Through open dialogue and discussion, we will elicit participant experiences and recommendations for interventions that can reduce bias and transform practice.

Ernestine Briggs-King, PhD Rocio Chang, PsyD Akeem Marsh, MD

Tower B

6. Young American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children (YAPSAC) Career Development Institute

The YAPSAC Institute is designed for students and young professionals looking to advance their practice in child welfare. The day will include two diverse panels of young and seasoned professionals speaking candidly on their experience working in various child welfare fields, answering questions about building their careers, and discussing the "do's and don'ts" of the job application process. Participants are encouraged to bring a copy of their CV/resume for review following panels.

Leslie Schmerler, MA Trevor Raushi, MS Interdisciplinary

Tower C

## **OPENING WORKSHOPS**

### Tuesday, May 23rd

### 1:00PM - 3:15PM

#### 7. The Importance of Generating Multiple Hypothesis for Forensic Interviews

The presentation will challenge participants to think outside of the box when interviewing in child abuse cases.

Julie Kenniston, MSW, LISW

Forensic Interviewing Ballroom 1

#### 8. Intrafamilial Child Torture: Mechanisms of Therapeutic Intervention

We will introduce the concept of Intrafamilial Child Torture (ICT), which is child torture by parents/caregivers. We will then recommend specific psychotherapeutic treatments while exploring the essential underlying mechanism that must be present for the treatment to work.

Pamela Miller, JD, MSW, LISW-S

Interdisciplinary

Silver

#### 9. Check Out the Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy

Within this APSAC seminar, Thomas Mitchell, LPC and Stacy Faulkner, LPC-S of CAC Hope House will provide an overview of their recent publication, Check Out the Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy.

Stacy Faulkner, MA, LPC-S, NCC

Thomas Mitchell, LPC, NCC

Windows

Mental Health

#### 10. Panel on Cannabis and Community Issues

This panel discussion will feature professionals from various professional disciplines who will discuss and dissect the plethora of "community issues" pertaining to the legalization of cannabis, and the impact it is having on child protection, child-wellbeing, and family serving agencies.

Mary Ellen Stockett, MD Hon. Ron Thomas (or designee) Chief of Police, Denver, CO

Ballroom 2

Mr. John Bailey Stacie Leblanc, J.D., MA

Darrell Armstrong, EdS-MFT, MDiv, DDiv

Interdisciplinary

## **Welcome and Opening Plenary**

### 3:30PM - 5:30PM

Child Abuse and Substance Use: Which is the chicken, and which is the egg? Room: Ballroom 1 & 2

Richard Krugman,MD Lori Poland, MA, LPC

### 6:00PM

Walk Together with EndCAN and APSAC: Rise With Us to end child abuse and neglect

## Wednesday, May 24

8:30AM - 9:45AM

Welcome Ernestine Briggs-King, PhD APSAC President

#### The Sage Charles T. Hendrix Keynote Address

#### How Can We Mindfully Navigate Everyday Racism?

Navigating the stress of racial conflict or conversation is not easy. Recent national tensions regarding race and diversity have led some societal institutions to reform how they address racial injustice. Moreover, the rise in hate has left schools and educators overwhelmed. Less understood and discussed is how racial stress and conflict influence processes essential in teaching and learning. This keynote and workshop will focus on helping educators resolve stressful diversity encounters in schooling relationships. In the keynote Howard Stevenson will share time outlining the key aspects of their research on implicit bias and racial literacy. Through examples and stories, they will explain how unintentional biases and the stress of trying to "do the right thing" in diverse contexts can be overwhelming and yet resolvable.

Howard Stevenson, PhD Interdisciplinary

Ballroom 1 & 2

### 12:45PM - 1:00PM- Break

## 10:15AM - 11:45AM Sessions 11 - 20

# 11. The Importance of Differentiating Between Autistic Spectrum Traits & Sexual Abuse Indicators in Children and Adolescents

Proper diagnosis of ASD and PTSD is paramount when working with either of these populations. Working with both diagnoses requires knowledge of these populations and their shared traits.

Lisa Jacob, MSW, LCSW

Mental Health

Tower C

## 12. Child Interviewing 2023: Update on research and practice

We will review the latest research on child interviewing and provide case studies of how the research can best be put to use in practice.

Thomas Lyon, JD, PhD

Forensic Interviewing

Ballroom 1

#### 13. Implicit Bias in Mandated Reporting in the US

Discuss disproportionality in the child protective system, types of bias, impacts on decision-making, ways to acknowledge and address one's own biases, and tools to assess situations without bias.

Rashaad Banks, BA

**Cultural Diversity** 

Tower B

# 14. Support Groups as an Intervention for Adult Survivors of Munchausen by Proxy (MBP) Child Abuse

Models of trauma-informed support groups have been tailored to adult survivors of MBP. Members and facilitators will share their challenges, healing, resilience, recovery, and hope as a result.

Beatrice Yorker, JD, RN, MS Brianna Jo Runke, Certified Life Coach

Andrea Dunlop

Mental Health

Gold

## 15. A quickly changing landscape: Marijuana and Maltreatment

In this workshop, we will explore the risks of marijuana exposure to children, the relationship between marijuana and maltreatment, trends in marijuana ingestions in children and will discuss the complexities of child maltreatment reporting when caregivers are using a legal substance.

Liza Murray, MD

Interdisciplinary

Ballroom 2

## 16. Online Dangers to Children and Adolescents: Pornography and sexual solicitation

Technology can enhance communication, recreation and education. However, it can also present risks to children and adolescents: pornography exposure and sexual solicitation. These clinical problems will be explored.

Gail Hornor, DNP, CPNP, SANE-P Tammy Scarlett, MPH, BSN, RN, SANE-P, SANE-A

Medicine/Nursing

Windows



### 17. It Takes A Team To Protect A Child: Multidisciplinary team investigation strategies

This presentation highlights the disclosure/outcry process of victims before and after MDT intervention. This practical, interactive, demonstrative presentation will expose the most common problems and challenges.

Michael Johnson, BS Interdisciplinary

Denver

### 18. Fostering A More Trauma-Informed Faith

Faith communities often address trauma, yet there is little to guide them. Applying principles of traumainformed practice in faith communities may equip them to better respond to trauma.

Pete Singer, MSW, LICSW Interdisciplinary

Silver

#### 19. Using Drop-in Mental Health Model to Support **Families Experiencing Child Sexual Abuse**

This training provides an overview of Chicago CAC's Drop-in therapy program which creates opportunities for families waiting for long-term trauma-focused sexual abuse therapy to access immediate support through pyschoeducation and skill-building.

Katy Irving, MSW, LCSW Rhiannon Reaves, MS, LCPC

Tower A

Mental Health

#### 20. Research Sessions

#### 20.1 Implementing Policy Related to Shared Parenting: Perspectives of child welfare administrators and frontline workers

The goal of this qualitative policy evaluation was to examine the early implementation and effectiveness of comfort call policy from the perspectives of child welfare administrators and frontline workers.

Morgan Cooley PhD, LCSW Heather Thompson, PhD, LCSW Marianna Colvin, PhD Heather Howard, PhD, LCSW

Tower D

Child Protection/Child Welfare



### 20.2 Trauma-Informed Care Organizational Training Model Creating a Culture of Care to Prevent and **Support Child Welfare Staff**

This comparison study utilizes mixed-methodology comparing pre-post child welfare outcomes for participants in a family treatment drug court and those who received treatment as usual.

Becky Antle, PhD, MSSW, LMFT Sara Williams, PhD, MSSW, CSW Ashley Logsdon, MSSW Chyna Angelini, MSSW Amanda Minoque, MSSW Jennifer Kendrick, MSSW, LCSW, LMFT

Mental Health

### 20.3 Provider Bias and Assessing for Child Maltreatment: Views from twenty-four social workers across four hospitals

Understanding how implicit bias causes ethical conundrums for social workers was the goal of this study. Moreover, how implicit bias and stress affects the patient, provider, and child.

Juan Benavides, LSW Ray Eads, PhD Sarah Parmenter, LSW Susan Yoon, PhD

Tower D

Tower D

Medicine/Nursing

### 11:45AM – 1:00PM Lunch (on your own)

#### 21. Roundtables - Bring your lunch

### 21.1 The Importance of Adding 'Developmental Trauma Disorder' into the DSM as a Diagnosis

The DSM-5 does not include child abuse trauma as a diagnostic category or modifier. This distorts patient assessment, treatment, clinical research and epidemiology. This may result in retraumatization experiences.

Jeoffry Gordon MD, MPH Medicine/Nursing

Ballroom 1 & 2

#### 21.2 Foundations for Resilience

Foundations for Resilience (FfR) will define how to build a resilient community and increase knowledge through personal growth, team building, trauma and resilience, personality styles in communication and relationships.

Christina Malu, MSW, LCSW, LCAS-A, NCIMH-E Joseph Coffey, MEd

Interdisciplinary

Ballroom 1 & 2

## 21.3 What's OK? Perpetration prevention resources for youth and young adults at Stop it Now! US.

This session will introduce and discuss the first full year of Stop It Now's new resource 'What's OK', developed to deter harmful sexual behaviors in youth and young adults.

Jenny Coleman, MA, LMHC Melissa Bright, PhD

Prevention

Ballroom 1 & 2

## 21.4 The Development of the SANE Champion and Succession Planning

As a means of retaining Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners, it is important to actively engage them in the forensic program by developing their leadership skills. The National Institute of Health (2021) refers to leadership development as succession planning and considers opportunities for growth as working on special projects to stretch an employee's skill set, providing coaching opportunities, and functioning outside of one's typically job duties. By combining these elements into your medical forensic training program you are ensuring that you have a succession plan and have developed leaders that can continue to advance the field of forensics long after we have passed.

Serena Valino, MSN, RN, CEN, TNS, SANE-A

Medicine/Nursing

Ballroom 1 & 2

# 21.5 Toward Best Practices at the Intersection of Parental Conflict and Child Maltreatment Investigation/Management

Many allegations and investigations for child maltreatment occur during the process of dissolution of the parental relationship. There are many variables that may interfere with peaceful and healthy coparenting.

John Wright, MD Mary Ellen Wright, PhD Interdisciplinary

Ballroom 1 & 2



## 21.6 Streamlining Change Initiatives for Child Wellbeing using an Executive Accelerator Model

This roundtable will focus on how an Executive Accelerator model can enable child welfare professionals to create cultural change by leveraging key leadership skills and uplifting frontline expertise.

Kiki Huckaby, BA, MsEd Sarah Call

Interdisciplinary

Ballroom 1 & 2

# 21.7 Thriving Workers for Thriving Families: The Florida Institute for Child Welfare's approach to enhancing outcomes

Presenters will share the history and development of the Florida Institute for Child Welfare, highlighting its unique legislative relationship, and efforts to reform child welfare through translational research and partnership.

Lisa Langenderfer-Magruder, PhD, MSW

Kristina Finch, MS

Jessica Pryce, PhD, MSW Dina Wilke, PhD, MSW Lisa Schelbe, PhD, MSW Ballroom 1 & 2

Child Protection/Child Welfare

### 12:45PM – 1:00PM Break

### 1:00PM - 2:30PM Sessions 22 - 31

#### 22. Completing the Puzzle: Navigating multijurisdictional collaboration

Through this workshop we will navigate the strengths and challenges faced by walking in very different systems to ensure the best possible outcomes for those impacted in our community.

Brandi Tonkel, BS Tifanie Petro, BS, MS

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Interdisciplinary

Gold

## 23. Engagement and Safety Decision-Making in Substance Use Disorder Cases

This session explores how family engagement supports comprehensive assessments of safety, risk and parental protective capacities vital for safety planning for families with a substance use disorder involved in child welfare.

Kim Bishop, MSW, LICSW Elizabeth Bullock, BA

Child Protection/Child Welfare

Silver

## 24. Scouts, Sins, and Systems: Investigating and responding to institutional child abuse

This training explores institutional abuse through the lens of both criminal and civil investigations, with an emphasis on faith-based organizations and the Boy Scouts of America.

Robert Peters, JD Michael Johnson, BS Interdisciplinary

Denver

## 25. Expert Testimony: When the child victim is now an adult

This session will address the unique issues presented at trial when the child victim is now an adult: What dynamics are different and which remain the same.

Elizabeth Ghilardi, MSW, LCSW Miriam Falk, BA, JD Interdisciplinary

Tower A

## 26. Unearthing Counter-ACEs: Uplifting benevolent family stories on behalf of babies

This session will explore the power of positive experiences when they occur within early childhood relationships and how we may unearth them with families to promote lifelong health & wellbeing.

Sarah Kliman, LCSW, MT-BC, IMH-E Megan Smith, LCAT, MT-BC, IMH-E Mental Health

Tower B

## 27. Arriving with an 'S' on your Chest: What does it, mean to be the Black Woman Superhero?

People have heard the phrase, 'Strong Black Woman' and many have said it but what does it really mean and at what cost?

Phadra McCray, MEd, MSW, LSW

Mental Health

Tower C

#### 28. Forensic Interview Approaches for Technology-Facilitated Crimes Part 1

There is a link between dynamics of abuse and exploitation and question strategies needed for forensic interviews. This presentation will offer suggestions for gathering information about perpetrator behaviors.

Julie Kenniston, MSW, LISW David Peifer

Forensic Interview

Ballroom 1



## 29. From Not Me to #MeToo: Understanding how children experience and disclose abuse

This presentation describes the dynamics of sexual victimization, explains how children exhibit dynamics and discusses how children's experiences impact the investigation, forensic interview, prosecution and treatment of child abuse.

Amy Russell, MSEd, JD, NCC Interdisciplinary

Windows

# 30. The APSAC GRAMMYS: Great research among multidisciplinary members last year - not to be missed best research

This session will highlight articles from the last year's research literature which are thought by the presenters to reflect outstanding scientific contributions to the field.

Vincent Palusci, MD, MS Stacie LeBlanc, JD, MEd

Interdisciplinary

Ballroom 2

#### 31. Research Sessions

### 94.3 Analysis of Caregiver Factors and Placement Instability in Foster Care from a Trauma Informed Perspective

Placement instability is common and associated with negative outcomes for children. Research on placement disruptions is limited and child focused. This study discusses foster parent factors associated with disruption.

Adrienne Whitt, PhD, LCSW
Child Protection/Child Welfare

Tower D

### 31.2 Implementing the SafeCare model with Afghan, **Burmese, and Congolese refugees**

We will describe how SafeCare was adapted and implemented with refugee families. We will describe the adaptation and implementation process, observed behavioral changes, and implementation challenges as documented from qualitative data.

Daniel Whitaker, PhD

Prevention

Tower D

#### 31.3 Decision Making in the Juvenile Justice System in India: A theory of planned behavior exploration

Grounded in the theory of planned behavior, the current research illustrates the decision-making processes that judicial service providers undertake while working with children in conflict with the law in India.

Additti Munshi, MSW Juan Benavides, LSW

Tower D

Interdisciplinary

### 2:30PM - 2:45PM Break

### 2:45PM - 4:15PM **Sessions 32 - 41**

### 32. You Can't Make This Stuff Up: Unusual, interesting and sometimes bizarre cases of suspected abuse

This workshop will review unusual, interesting and sometimes bizarre cases of suspected abuse that presented for medical evaluation. The ultimate diagnoses relied on a multidisciplinary approach.

Debra Esernio-Jenssen, MD Barbara Knox, MD

Tower A

Interdisciplinary

#### 33. Multigenerational Abuse: A forensic team assessment case study perspective

Case studies offer an in depth and unique look at utilizing the Forensic Team Assessment approach to assess risk and provide interventions crucial to the prevention of further child maltreatment.

Stephanie Kurilla, MA, LPC Melissa Ciottone, PsyD

Interdisciplinary

Tower C

#### 34. Updates from the Battle Against Online Trading of Child Sexual Abuse Material: Alerts from the dark web

This workshop provides updates on an initiative combatting online trading of child sexual abuse images. One trend: increased involvement of Chinese and Mexican children in images used in U.S.

Camille Cooper Elizabeth Cross, PhD Theodore Cross, PhD Glen Pounder, LLM, CFCS Daphne Pelligrino, BA

Ballroom 2

Law Enforcement

### 35. Reflective Practice; More Than Supervision: Skills for supporting workforce well-being

This presentation highlights lessons, strategies, and resources from county child welfare agencies that implemented reflective practice as a model for addressing secondary traumatic stress and improving workforce resilience.

Melissa Bernstein, PhD Al Killen-Harvey, LCSW Brent Crandal, PhD

Denver

Child Protection/Child Welfare

#### 36. Incorporating Emotional Inquires into Forensic **Interviews with Children**

Emotional inquiry during forensic interviews conveys dual benefits of rapport enhancement and increasing children's capacity to provide information. This presentation considers empirical evidence and incorporation strategies.

Kim Madden, MEd, LCMHC

Forensic Interviewing

Tower B

### 37. Healing Mind, Body, and Spirit: Complementary and alternative approaches to support child welfare workforce wellbeing

Vicarious trauma and stress are inevitable in the work of child welfare professionals. Participants will learn complementary and alternative approaches to support wellbeing of mind, body, and spirit.

Mandy Ohara, MD, MPH, TCTSY-F

Interdisciplinary

Gold

## 38. Just pretend you can't hear it: Innocence lost but justice found

This presentation highlights the intersection of intimate partner violence and child welfare through a case study of an extreme child neglect/sexual assault case investigated in North Carolina.

Jennifer Dobey, MPA, MS

Law Enforcement

Windows

#### 39. Forensic Interview Approaches for Technology-Facilitated Crimes Part 2

There is a link between dynamics of abuse and exploitation and question strategies needed for forensic interviews. This presentation will offer suggestions for gathering information about perpetrator behaviors.

Julie Kenniston, MSW, LISW David Peifer

Forensic Interviewing

Ballroom 1

## 40. The Neurobiology of Trauma: Understanding Early Childhood Trauma and Brain Development

Participants will have a deeper understanding of how child maltreatment plays a role in the developing bodies and brains of children.

Ginger Meyer, LCSW

Interdisciplinary

Silver

#### 41. Research Sessions

# 41.1 A Bystander Approach to Preventing and Addressing Child Sex Trafficking: The see it to stop it indicator tool

Children involved in sex trafficking may be hiding in plain sight. This session presents the See It to Stop It Indicator Tool to identify, prevent and respond to trafficking/exploitation.

Ginny Sprang, PhD Ann Coker, PhD Anneliese Mennicke, PhD

Prevention

Tower D

#### 41.2 Restoring Resiliency for Child Protective Service Staff after Child Fatalities and Other Critical Incidents

Crisis debriefing, using the Restoring Resiliency Response model, has been incorporated into the NYC CPS system following child fatalities and critical incidents. Evaluation surveys from 2,900 participants will be reviewed.

Mary Pulido, LMSW, MAT, PHD Jacqueline Holloway, PhD

Child Protection/Child Welfare

Tower D

### 41.3 Trafficker Relationships and Mental Health Outcomes Among Girls in the Juvenile Justice System with Histories of CSE

This research examines the impact of prior relationships with exploiters on girls' mental health outcomes. Results highlight an opportunity for multidisciplinary collaboration among system involved and mental health professionals.

Georgia Perris, BA

Mental Health

Tower D

### 4:15PM - 4:30PM Break

### 4:30PM - 5:30PM Sessions 42 - 51

# 42. Update on Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) Evaluations of Children and Teens Reporting Sexual Abuse and Assault

This presentation covers important aspects of the medical care of child and adolescent sexual abuse survivors pertaining to sexually transmitted infection risk, surveillance, and treatment.

Rachel Thomas, PhD, MSN, Family NP-BC, BSN

Medicine/Nursing

Tower C

# 43. Beyond Belief: Exploring the impact of acknowledgement and support of the non-offending caregiver, a mother's story

How non-offending caregivers can advocate for their child and heal themselves. What helped this presenter cope with the discovery of her child's sexual abuse. Interventions that promote advocacy and healing.

Sandra Flury-Gardner, LMSW, MS

Interdisciplinary

Denver

# 44. Building Resilience through Self-Expression: Using traditional African instruments rhythm to relieve stress

This is a drumming activity that provides a child/children who are not responding to talk therapy and opportunity to use drums to talk about their trauma.

Francis Agyakwa, MSW

Interdisciplinary

Silver

# 45. Fostering Healthy Futures for Youth With Child Welfare Involvement: An evidence-based mentoring program

Fostering Healthy Futures is an evidence-based mentoring and skills training program for youth with child welfare involvement. This session highlights strategies that led to high program engagement and impactful outcomes.

Heather Taussig, PhD Michel Holien, LCSW

Mental Health

Gold

## 46. Incorporating the Neurosequential Model of Therapuetics into Clinical Practice

This presentation, will identify the core concepts of NMT and the web based metric, and demonstrate several intervention strategies based on the assessment metric.

Miriam Jansky, LCSW-S Vanessa Barahona, LCSW

Ballroom 2

Mental Health

## 47. Expert Testimony in CSA Cases: Do You Really Need It?

Don't most jurors already know that it's hard to tell about sex abuse? Research says no. Here's how to help them understand.

Lauren Maltby, PhD, ABPP Lara Drino, JD

Tower A

Law

# 48. When Victims Don't Think of Themselves as Victims: Understanding the dynamics and tailoring intervention

Lack of self recognition of victimization can be harmful, but sometimes is an example of resiliency. Understand the dynamics involved and how to intervene better to promote healing.

Stephanie Wolf, PhD, JD

Interdisciplinary

Tower B

## 49. Forensically Interviewing Individuals with Disabilities

This session will cover effective methods to forensically interview individuals with mental, developmental, and physical disabilities, and how these methods can be impacted by culture, age, and trauma.

Tyra Jaramillo-Kraemer, BA

Forensic Interviewing

Ballroom 1

#### 50. Fractured Families After Sibling Sexual Abuse: Key points for evaluators and clinicians involved in reunification

Restoring a family affected by intrafamilial sexual abuse is a complex process that requires multidisciplinary intervention. This program will examine critical assessment and clinical factors using a risk management model.

Nicole Paolillo, PsyD

Child Protection/Child Welfare

Windows

#### **51. Research Sessions**

#### 51.1 Preventing Perinatal Adolescent Dating Violence During Nurse Home Visiting Augmented with Relationship Education

Secondary analyses of a randomized controlled trial of 238 mothers found 63 adolescents in the Nurse-Family Partnership program augmented with relationship education with fewer dating violence at 1-year follow-up.

Qing Li, MD, DrPH Vincent Palusci, MD, MS

Tower D

Prevention

### 51.2 Psychometric Properties of the Client Perceptions of Home Visitor Measure: A measure to assess clients' perceptions

We examined the psychometrics of a measure to assess clients' perceptions of their home visitor. We found evidence for reliability and validity for the Client Perceptions of Home Visitors measure.

Bethelhem Belachew, MA

Child Protection/Child Welfare

Tower D

## 5:30PM - 7:00PM Awards, Reception and Poster Presentations

Room: Parlur

(See page 22 for Poster Descriptions)



## **Thursday, May 25**

## 8:30AM – 9:45AM Plenary Session

Healing Interpersonal and Racial Trauma: Integrating racial socialization into trauma-focused cognitive behavioral therapy for African American youth

In this plenary presentation, we utilize the racial encounter coping appraisal and socialization theory to propose suggestions for adapting trauma-focused cognitive behavioral therapy—an evidence-based trauma treatment for children and adolescents—to include racial socialization or the process of transmitting culture, attitudes, and values to help youth overcome stressors associated with ethnic minority status.

*Isha Metzger, PhD*Interdisciplinary

Ballroom 1 & 2

### 9:45AM - 10:15AM Break

### 10:15AM - 11:45AM Sessions 52 - 61

## 52. Beyond No Hit Zones: The Transition from Organizations to Churches to Schools to Homes

This workshop will describe the continued successes in the journey to reduce the hitting of children, a key risk factor in child maltreatment.

Representative Regina English from the Colorado General Assembly

Deborah Sendek, MS Founding Board Member of the US Alliance to End the Hitting of Children

Stacie LeBlanc, JD, Med, Immediate Past President, APSAC Reverend Darrell Armstrong

Myranda James, Project Coordinator, US Alliance to End the Hitting of Children

Tower D

# 53. Multidisciplinary Response To Child Abuse: From outcry to prosecution CAC impact on investigation and prosecution

This workshop reviews findings about how CACs and MDTs can enhance offender accountability and increase guilty pleas, bolstering children's credibility and often sparing them having to testify at trial.

Michael Johnson, BSCJ Theodore Cross, PhD Interdisciplinary

Tower C

#### 54. The Lived Experience of Fathers and Non-Offending Family Who Try to Protect Their Children from Medical Child Abuse

This session will present first-hand accounts of fathers and non-offending family members as they recognize warning signs of Medical Child Abuse and attempt to protect children.

Beatrice Yorker JD, RN, MS Brianna Jo Runke, Certified Life Coach Andrea Dunlop

Windows

## 55. The Child Sexual Abuse Accommodation Syndrome: Origin, controversy, and research

This workshop will address current research and legal issues for understanding the Child Sexual Abuse Accommodation Syndrome and CSAAS testimony, and the implications of CSAAS today to improve justice.

Thomas Lyon, JD, PhD Susan Hardie, PhD, MN David Corwin, MD

Ballroom 2

Interdisciplinary

## 56. Interviewing Queer Youth: Understanding the cultural context

This session will discuss skills and adaptations that can be used in the forensic interview to effectively interview LGBTQIA+ youth, while understanding cultural contexts that may impact the interview.

Tyra Jaramillo-Kraemer, BA

Forensic Interviewing

Ballroom 1

## 57. How to Empower Latino Parents to Talk with Kids about Internet Safety

This presentation will equip professionals to engage parents on how to keep children safe online by customizing NetSmartz materials to fit parents' needs, cultural ideologies, and time constraints.

Alejandra Monroy, MS

Prevention

Silver

## 58. Real Treatment With Real Kids - The Sky Is The Limit

This presentation offers an active and creative approach to TF-CBT work with survivors of Child Sexual Abuse, using effective reframing tools and addressing child/caregiver/therapist misperceptions which limit healing.

Tamara Hillard, BSW, MSW, LICSW

Tower A

Mental Health

## 59. A Wrinkle in Time: A parent's perspective of foster care

This presentation will discuss the development of parenthood, the potential impact of trauma, and possible perspectives and experiences of parents involved in child welfare using a trauma-informed lens.

Elissa Wilburn, PhD

Child Protection/Child Welfare

Tower B

60. TBA

61. Research Sessions

61. TBA

### 11:45-1:00 Roundtables and lunch

#### 62. Roundtables - Bring your lunch

#### 62.1 Preventing Child Abuse in a Digital Age

Understanding different ways to approach child abuse and maltreatment prevention in a post-pandemic digital world using research, advocacy, and technology.

Trevor Raushi, MS Leslie Schmerler, MA Naomi Chandler-Ofuya, BA

Ballroom 1 & 2

Prevention

## 62.2 'How Does Your Mom Feel About What You Said?' Caregiver Influence and How to Assess It

This round table discussion will allow forensic interviewers to discuss the role of adult influence or coaching.

Lauren Maltby, PhD, ABPP Kristine Hodshon, PsyD

Forensic Interviewing

Ballroom 1 & 2

## 62.3 Sibling Aggression and Abuse Research and Advocacy Initiative (SAARA)

This workshop provides researchers and practitioners an overview of research on sibling aggression and abuse in childhood and adolescence and the SAARA Initiative at the Crimes Against Children Research Center.

Tanya Whitworth, PhD

Ballroom 1 & 2

Child Advocacy

## 62.4 Secondary Traumatic Stress: How does it impact providers at Children's Advocacy Centers?

This roundtable discussion will cover the effects of secondary traumatic stress among direct and indirect service providers at Children's Advocacy Centers and propose solutions to reduce the impact.

Lindamarie Olson, LMSW Fiona Remko, LCSW-S

Ballroom 1 & 2

Mental Health

## 62.5 Kids & Drugs: An exploration of adolescent substance use & related issues

Through use of clinical vignette, didactic, and media, this interactive workshop will explore aspects of adolescent substance use disorders including pathophysiology, the role of trauma, and broader societal context.

Akeem Marsh, MD, DFAACAP Brian Hodge, MD Substance Use

Ballroom 1 & 2

### **62.6 Cognitive Bias in Child Abuse Providers**

How are we as Child Abuse Providers affected by cognitive bias?

Jeanne Parrish, DNP, APRN, FNP-C, SANE-A, SANE-P

Medicine/Nursing

Ballroom 1 & 2

## 62.7 An Empowerment Framework to Prevent Child Maltreatment during Early Childhood

Examination of an early childhood holistic framework to prevent child maltreatment. Framework includes comprehensive facets (multi-system, multi-discipline) and an overarching trauma-informed approach with an emphasis on strengths perspective and empowerment.

Kirsten Ericksen, PhD, MSW Breshell Jackson-Nevels, PhD, MSW Viola Vaughan-Eden, PhD, MSW, MJ, LCSW

Prevention

Ballroom 1 & 2

### 1:00PM - 2:00PM Sessions 63 - 71

## 63. Wonder Twin Powers, Activate!: The DA's office and mental health expert witnesses unite

Strategies for effective collaboration between the district attorney's office and mental health professionals in the prosecution of child abuse cases requiring expert testimony.

Elena Doskey de Lobon, PhD Emily Antram, JD

Law

Silver

64. TBA

## 65. StepWise 360: An introduction in the American context

In Canada, StepWise 360 is recognized as a leading model for interviewing. This presentation will showcase the model, allowing an evaluation of the model in the Canadian and American context.

Andy Stuart, MPA
Forensic Interviewing

Tower A

#### 66. He/She/We/Them: Utilization of a gendersensitive approach, while being victim centered

Gender-Sensitive Approach integrates the context of gender into surrounding context and is much needed in enhancing a victim centered approach. The vulnerability of this population calls for increased resiliency.

Tamara Glover, MA, BS

Interdisciplinary

Windows

## 67. Shaken Baby Syndrome & Safe Sleep: A more comprehensive approach

Abusive head trauma prevention education should be delivered to parents/caregivers before their infant enters the normal crying period. This educational window provides an opportunity to pair with safe sleep information.

Shantel Wakley, BS Danielle Vazquez, BSW

Tower B

Prevention

## 68. Preventing Vicarious Trauma among Front-Line Professionals Caring for Child Abuse Victims

This presentation covers concepts of vicarious stress, vicarious trauma, burnout, and ways to mitigate stress by using meditation and mindfulness practices guided by principles of Self-Determination Theory, Needs Supportive Environments.

Rachel Thomas, PhD Billy Thomas, EdD

Mental Health

Tower C

# 69. Approaching Pre-trial Interviews and Trial Testimony with Confidence: Assessing and defending forensic interviews

Addressing potential defense challenges of forensic interviews can be challenging. This workshop will address ways to prepare for pre-trial interviews and courtroom testimony.

Wendy Dutton, PhD

Forensic Interviewing

Ballroom 1

# 70. An Introduction to Phase-Based Treatment (PBT) for Problematic Sexual Behavior of Preteen Children

This presentation will review the basic tenets of PBT, provide case examples of PBT implementation, and discuss the current evidence base for PBT.

Brian Allen, PsyD

Mental Health

Ballroom 2

#### 71. Research Sessions

# 71.1 Are Child Welfare Case Outcomes Black and White? Racial Disproportionality Through the Lens of Permanency Professionals

Tensions in prevailing beliefs about permanency among judges, attorneys, and child welfare workers have broad implications for efforts that address racial inequities in child welfare outcomes.

Heather Fox, PhD Theodore Cross. PhD

Tower D

Child Protection/Child Welfare

#### 71.2. Corporal punishment in US public schools

This presentation explores survey data from US adults on attitudes, beliefs and norms related to corporal punishment (CP) and examines state laws banning CP in US public schools.

Bart Klika, MSW, PhD Julia Fleckman, PhD, MPH Shayna Harris, MSW

Tower D

Esaa Mohammad Samarah, MSW Lisa Schelbe, PhD, MSW

Prevention

### 2:00PM - 2:15PM Break

2:15PM - 3:15PM Sessions 72 - 80

# 72. Kinship Initiatives for Supportive Services: A model support program serving culturally diverse kinship families!

An illustration of an in-home model of support services for families with children in relative (Kinship) and non-relative care in collaboration with local partners to prevent foster or institutional care.

Maria Juarez Stouffer, MA, MPA Cynthia Reynoso, BA

Prevention

Tower A

# 73. Intrafamilal child sexual exploitation: Identification and management within the child advocacy center/MDT model

Sexual exploitation of children is a complex phenomena that has profound implications for the investigation, management, prosecution, therapy and recovery of victims and families.

John Wright, MD Mary Ellen Wright, PhD Ann Parsons, ARNP

Interdisciplinary

Silver

### 74. Harnessing the Power of Family Time to Strengthen the Parent-Child Relationship and Support Reunification Efforts

Presenters will share how to objectively track and discuss progress in family time to support the family and inform decisions about family time expansion and reunification.

Ashay Shah, MSW

Child Protection/Child Welfare

Tower B

# 75. Working with Sexually Reactive Juveniles and Their Families During Covid: A trauma and culturally informed Ax & Tx

This presentation offers a comprehensive assessment and treatment of sexually reactive juveniles using trauma-informed and culturally responsive perspectives, and remote programming, during Covid.

Robert Ortega, MSW, MA, PhD Mary Ortega, MSW, ACSW Lynn Teribery, MSW, LMSW Lia Coval. MSW. LMSW

Windows

Mental Health

# 76. Finding the Place of Attachment Theory in Evidence-based Treatment in Cases of Child Maltreatment

Attachment is one of the most widely respected theories of child development. This presentation will discuss how the theory can inform evidence-based treatment in cases of child maltreatment.

Brian Allen, PsyD

Mental Health

Ballroom 2

# 77. Are We Overusing Psychotropic Medications for Children and Adolescents in Child Welfare/Child Protection?

This training will address negative consequences of the increasing use of psychotropic medications with children involved in CPS. Effective alternative psychosocial approaches will be discussed.

Janet Cahill, PhD

Mental Health

Tower C

# 78. Stop Making This All About You: How to adjust your expectations in the interview and investigation

This session will highlight the unrealistic expectations we have of children during child maltreatment interviews & investigations. Will provide alternatives to meet needs of the child & the investigation.

Elizabeth Ghilardi, MSW, LCSW

Interdisciplinary

Ballroom 1

79. TBA

#### 80. Research Presentations

## 80.1 Strategies for Increasing Economic Support in Child Maltreatment Prevention

This presentation summarizes the approach, evaluation strategy, and initial findings of an intervention called the EITC Access Project, involving a two-level strategy across 44 counties in the State of Michigan.

Kathryn Maguire-Jack, MSW, MPA, PhD

Olivia Chang, BA

Atticus Solomon, MSW

Prevention

Tower D

## 80.2 Barriers to Receptivity in Online Parenting Information: Recommendations for DEI

Content of internet posts from top websites for 'How to discipline my child' was coded to determine barriers to receptivity. Recommendations are made for increasing DEI in online parenting information.

Julia Kagan, BA Marla Brassard, PhD Naomi Chandler-Ofuya, BA

Tower D

Prevention

### 3:00PM - 3:15PM Break

3:30PM - 5:00PM Sessions 81 - 88

## 81. Is an STI always an STI: Confusion and Considerations in the Pre-pubertal child

Sexually transmitted illnesses (STI) in the pre-pubertal child, may be confusing for providers. Four cases, will examine Chlamydia, Trichomonas, HSV and HPV in relation to the pre-pubertal child.

Mary Beth Koehler, MSN, APRN, PNP-BC, AFN-BC Kelly Ezzell, DNP, APRN, PNP-C Loni Hegarty, MSN, APRN, FNP-C Kendra Kellermann, MSN, APRN, FNP-C, AFN-BC

Medicine/Nursing

Tower A

# 82. Intent versus Impact: Examining and improving interactions with child victims and their non-offending caregivers

This presentation examines interactions between law enforcement professionals, child victims and their families, providing strategies for conducting these interactions affirmatively, with focus on the benefits of rapport-building.

Rachel Johnson, BS Michael Johnson, BS

Silver

Law Enforcement



## 83. Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health: Using video feedback in child welfare populations

Infant and early childhood mental health stem from dyadic interaction and caregiver attunement. We will do a deep dive into parent-child interaction and how video feedback can support families.

Monica Oxford, PhD, MSW

Mental Health

Tower B

# 84. 'It Happens All the Time': Effective techniques for gathering episodic details in cases of repeated abuse

Children have difficulty isolating specific details related to repeated incidents of maltreatment. Strategies for assisting children in recalling episodic details across multiple events of maltreatment will be discussed.

Andra Chamberlin, BA, MA

Forensic Interviewing

Tower C

#### 85. Dismantling White Supremacy in Parenting

White supremacy cultural values are embedded in American society. We will explore how white supremacy cultural values appear in attitudes towards parenting and identify steps to help families push back.

Brandi Hawk, PhD Shayla Allen, LMFT Deanna Boys, MA

Windows

**Cultural Diversity** 

## 86. I Don't Speak That Language! Using Interpreters in The Forensic Interview

This session will discuss preparing for an interview when the child speaks a different language. Cultural considerations, and a process for using the interpreter in the interview will be discussed.

Cyndi Cantu, BA Shelby Duarte, BS

Ballroom 1

Forensic Interviewing

# 87. Deciphering Resilience: Global protective factor identification and implementation with wellness technology

Using information gathered across all continents, this presentation will overview resilience and protective factor concepts, narratives, and intervention ideas relevant to children and youths across cultures.

Machelle Madsen Thompson, PhD, LCSW

Barbora Siposová, PhD, MS

Interdisciplinary

Ballroom 2

#### 88. Research Sessions

## 88.1 Child Homicides Due to Abuse and Neglect: Top priority or institutional inattention

Current epidemiology of child fatalities due to maltreatment is neither valid nor reliable. Federal and many state policies and agencies (with California as an example) are inadequate.

Jeoffry Gordon, MD, MPH

Law

Tower D

# 88.2 Comparison of Pediatric Fatalities in Intimate Partner Violence Related Homicides, Familial Homicides, and Other Child Homicides

The purpose of this presentation is to identify the differences among children killed in IPV-Related Homicide (IPVRH), familial (non IPV-related) homicides, and other child homicides.

Kathryn Spearman, MSN, RN

Medicine/Nursing

Tower D

### 88.3 FRC: The Use of an Innovative Child Welfare Practice Model to Improve Child Safety, Permanency, and Family Well-Being

This mixed-methodology comparison study utilizes prepost outcomes for participants in a family treatment drug court and those who received treatment as usual to assess child welfare and substance use outcomes.

Ashley Logsdon, MSSW Becky Antle, PhD, MSSW, LMFT Andreana Bridges, MSSW Amanda Minogue, MSSW Amy Spriggs, MSSW, CSW Macnekzie Antle. BS

Tower D

Substance Use

## Friday, May 26

8:30AM - 10:00AM Sessions 89 - 94

## 89. Multidisciplinary Approach To Evaluation of Child Abuse: A doctor and detective's collaboration

This presentation will provide a case-based approach to identifying injuries concerning for child abuse, discuss the medical findings and evaluation, and review critical components of police investigation in child abuse.

Jennifer Hillgoth, BA Melissa Manrique, MD Interdisciplinary

Ballroom 2

# 90. Reluctance or Recant: Considerations regarding tentative disclosures and recantation forensic interviews

Learn how to address the complex barriers of tentative disclosure or recantation in the forensic interview of a child.

Lindsey Dula, LMSW

Forensic Interviewing

Ballroom 1

# 91. Micro-interventions for mandated reporters: How to intervene when observing suboptimal parenting that might be maltreatment

Twenty-four mandated reporters were interviewed about situations when they observed parents interacting with their children in harsh ways that might be maltreatment. Effective micro-interventions when observing poor parenting are shared.

Marla Brassard, PhD

Child Protection/Child Welfare

Windows

# 92. What the Hair Can Tell Us: The journey of a child referred to a CAC for evaluation of drug endangerment

Parental substance abuse is on the rise nationally. A review of a child abuse assessment using hair testing to aid in an accurate diagnosis of child drug endangerment.

Gabrielle Petersen, MSN,CPNP-PC Sarah Smith

Medicine/Nursing

Tower A

93. TBA

#### 94. Research Sessions

## 94.1 Understanding Nonoffending Caregiver Protection: Child Sexual Abuse

The purpose of this quantitative study was to assess if child demographics (age, sex, and race/ethnicity); type of sexual offense (contact or noncontact); and perpetrator relationship to the child (familial or extrafamilial) predict a nonoffending caregiver's response (protection or failure to protect).

Christina Sally, PhD, MS, BS, POST Certificate

Child Protection/Child Welfare

Tower D

# 94.2 The Memefication of Harm: The promotion of caregiver psychological maltreatment behaviors in TikTok

In this presentation, we'll explore how TikTok user engagement of psychological maltreatment content socially reinforces creators. Implications for future research and social media content moderation policy will be discussed.

Naomi Chandler-Ofuya, BA Julia Kagan, BA Marla Brassard, PhD

Tower D

Interdisciplinary

### 10:00-10:15 Break

### 10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Sessions 95- 99

# 95. Soaring to New Heights with Harm Reduction: Serving youth with high-risk behaviors and experiences

This presentation provides practical strategies for working with high-risk youth, including youth who are experiencing sexual exploitation. Strategies include conceptualization, assessment, and intervention using a harm reduction framework

Dawn Blacker, PhD Brandi Liles, PhD

Ballroom 2

Mental Health

## 96. A New Family Trauma Reentry System with High Parent Involvement

A new evidence-based family trauma model will illustrate through video examples and research outcomes how to dramatically reduce recidivism rates for reentry from residential through intensive parent engagement and involvement.

Scott Sells, PhD, MSW

Child Protection/Child Welfare

Windows

# 97. The Night Before: Using a new approach to critical thinking in multidisciplinary team investigations

In this experiential workshop, participants will learn an effective, practical framework for critical thinking. The PBL framework helps participants to identify their biases and assumptions that often impede accurate information gathering. This framework is applicable to all disciplines and practice areas: casework, investigations, supervision, teamwork, and routine daily interactions.

Betsy Goulet, DPA Amy Wheeler, LCSW Josh Friedman, MA

Tower D

Child Protection/Child Welfare

## 98. Assessment and Application of Patterns of Nonphysical Coercive Control Using Case Studies

Parallel coercive control patterns toward children have unique cumulative detrimental effects involving psychodevelopmental disruptions (e.g., arousal, emotional regulation, sensory integration, complex cognitions) and human rights violations, but go unrecognized.

Cynthia Lischick PHD, LPC, DVS
Interdisciplinary

Tower A

## 99. You're Hired! Now What? Tips For Training New Forensic Interviewers

The focus of the presentation is to provide participants with information and helpful tips on how to train and support the forensic interviewer through each stage of their career.

Shelby Duarte, BS Cyndi Cantu, BA Forensic Interviewing

Ballroom 1



### **Poster Presentations**

(Posters will be displayed during the Welcome Reception Wednesday, May 24, (5:30 – 7:00PM) Room: Parlur

#### The Well-Being of Those Who Report Child Maltreatment: A qualitative study of pediatric ER social workers

Our study aimed to investigate the elements contributing to the barriers and the development of resilience among helping professionals using the trauma and resilience theory.

Juan Benavides, LSW Additti Munshi, MSW Susan Yoon

Medicine/Nursing

### Understanding Racial Disproportionality in Finding Permanent Homes for African-American Children in Out-of-Home Care

Using subsidized guardianship could help reduce the shortfall in returning Black children from foster care. Interview and survey data suggest professional flexibility on guardianship, but also communication and racial barriers.

Theodore Cross PhD Heather Fox, PhD

Child Protection/Child Welfare

#### Contextual Factors Impacting the Response to Child Trafficking in a Frontier State: Insights from health care providers

This study reports health care providers' perceptions of trafficking and exploitation of children including training needs, the impact of community attitudes, and barriers posed by the Western frontier context.

Kirsten Having, MSW, PhD Neely Mahapatra, MSW, PhD

Medicine/Nursing

## Promoting First Relationships: An infant mental health home visiting program in child welfare

Promoting First Relationships (PFR) is a brief 10-week home visiting model tested in child welfare designed for caregivers with young children. Participants will learn about the research results and features of PFR.

Monica Oxford PhD, MSW

Prevention

### The Lived Experience of Youth in Congregate Care

This qualitive study using interview data from young adult foster alumni sought to better understand how youth communicate, report, and advocate for themselves while in congregate care settings.

Sarah Parmenter, MSW, LSW Juan Benavides, MSW, LMSW Susan Yoon, PhD Kathryn Maguire Jack, PhD Child Protection/Child Welfare

# Examining the Most Upsetting Trauma and the Impact of Trauma Type on Dissociative Symptomatology Among Trafficked Youth

CSET youth report that the most upsetting trauma types are sexual assault, loss/separation, and unspecified trauma. Of those who reported unspecified trauma as most upsetting, 80% also reported dissociative symptoms.

Manderley Recinos, BS, MS ElizabethPerry, BS, MPH

Mental Health

## Recognizing Vulnerability Factors of Children at Risk for Sexual Abuse

We examined the extent that individuals could accurately recognize vulnerability factors that increase the chance a child may experience sexual abuse.

Kayla Spenard, MA Daniella Cash, PhD Tiffany Russell, PhD

Child Protection/Child Welfare

## Perceptions of Posttraumatic Growth Among Adults with Lived Experience in Foster Care

This qualitative study examined perceptions of posttraumatic growth among adults with lived experience in foster care who were pursuing higher education.

Morgan Cooley, PhD, LCSW Robin Jimenez Bean, BSW Heather Thompson, PhD, LCSW Marianna Colvin, PhD

Child Protection/Child Welfare

## Childhood Physical Abuse and Depression: A moderation analysis

Using data from the MIDUS Refresher project, severe childhood physical abuse inflicted by parental figures has a significant relationship with depression rates later in life.

Macie Rogers, BA

Mental Health

#### Surveying Positive and Negative Social Networks Among Family Treatment Court Participants

Understanding the positive and negative social networks of family treatment court participants can help guide improvements in these specialized court dockets.

Nichole Michaels, PhD Fiona O'Malley Madison Nurre

Substance Use

## Understanding Post-Separation Abuse: Connecting tactics to harm

The purpose of this presentation is to review the literature on post-separation abuse and provide recommendations for research, practice and policy that will support the safety and health of children.

Kathryn Spearman, MSN, RN Viola Vaughan-Eden, PhD

Interdisciplinary

## Who Let the Dogs Out? A national survey of NCA members on the use of therapy dogs

The use of therapy dogs to support children in crisis has grown in the last decade. We will discuss NCA survey findings and implications for developing practices and policy standards.

Elizabeth Cross, PhD Amita McDonald, BS Theodore Cross, PhD

Child Advocacy

## A Photovoice Study of Youth in Residential Foster Care: Youths' perceptions of self-determination

The purpose of this qualitative photovoice study is to depict and describe youths' perceptions of selfdetermination while growing up in residential foster care.

Marianna Colvin, PhD Morgan Cooley, PhD, LCSW Heather Thompson, PhD, LCSW Heather Howard, PhD, LCSW

Child Protection/Child Welfare

# Considerations for Children as Drug Policy Priorities in Rural Communities Response to the Opioid Crisis

Drug policies have ignored children whose parents and caregivers use drugs by not focusing on the additional challenges that substance use bring to perform parental role especially in rural areas.

Dhrubodhi Mukherjee, PhD, LCSW-S Substance Use



### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

## **Colloquium Location/Lodging**

The 2023 APSAC Colloquium will be held at the Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel, 1550 Court Place, Denver, CO 80202. The discounted rate for conference attendees is \$219 per night. These rates are available until April 1, 2023, or until the block is exhausted, whichever comes first. Reservations can be made by calling Sheraton Reservations at 1-303-893-3333. Please be sure to ask for the APSAC special rate! We urge you to make your hotel reservations early.

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Taxi – Estimated taxi fare \$55 one way.

Limousine: BlackLane.com, or MyTransfers.com Reservation required.

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### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### **APSAC Membership Information**

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