

Sexual Violence Prevention E-News

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Stepping out of the story, expanding the frame: Using ACE data to build support for social change

What does preventing adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) – including child sexual abuse – have to do with preventing diabetes, heart disease, obesity, early pregnancy, substance use, or improving education outcomes? Everything! We all have a pivotal role in promoting the conditions necessary to achieve the health and wellbeing we seek for our communities - no matter where you work in public health, policy, advocacy, education, social services.

This SVPN meeting will provide you with an overview of the Adverse Childhood Experiences study, how its findings have been used to craft policies and advocacy messages, and the implications for sexual violence prevention work. We will describe the ways in which how we frame the story of child sexual abuse prevention – as advocates, policy makers, researchers, and practitioners – shapes our ability to achieve the change we are demanding. We will also explore how the ACE study has been used to create new frames that support our prevention efforts. We will also highlight how Minnesota is planning to collect and use ACE data – and how that data will be available to you and your organization.

Presenters/Panel:

- Julia Johnsen, MPH, Director of Community Outreach, Center for Leadership Education in Maternal and Child Public Health, Division of Epidemiology & Community Health, University of Minnesota, School of Public Health www.epi.umn.edu/mc

- Ilana Blum, CDC Associate, Sexual Violence Prevention Program, Minnesota Department of Health <http://www.health.state.mn.us/injury/topic/svp/>

- Karina A. Forrest-Perkins, MHR LADC, Executive Director, Prevent Child Abuse Minnesota www.pcamn.org

- Lindsay Gullingsrud, Sexual Violence Prevention Coordinator, Minnesota Coalition Against Sexual Assault www.mncasa.com

Friday, November 4, 2011, 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Snelling Office Park, Mississippi Room, 1645 Energy Park Drive, St. Paul, MN

[http://www.health.state.mn.us/about/sop.htm#locationand%20videoconference%20sites%20around%20the%20state%20\(link%20here%20for%20locations:%20https://survey.vvoci.com/se.asbx?se=56206FEF354A18ECD](http://www.health.state.mn.us/about/sop.htm#locationand%20videoconference%20sites%20around%20the%20state%20(link%20here%20for%20locations:%20https://survey.vvoci.com/se.asbx?se=56206FEF354A18ECD)

REGISTRATION REQUIRED for all locations and for live webstream, link to: <http://www.health.state.mn.us/injury/topic/svp/implementation/network/registration/index.cfm?gcMeetID=54>

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Thursday, November 3, 2011

Questions? Contact doug.palmer@state.mn.us

This is a brown bag/bring your own lunch & beverage event

Agenda:

10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. – Registration and Networking

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Presentation

1:00 – 1:30 p.m. – Resource Sharing

(Videoconference portion of the meeting runs from 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.)

Anyone interested in or working in the field of sexual violence prevention is WELCOME TO ATTEND.

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2. Navigating the World of Cybersex, Pornography and Abuse, November 4, 2011

Learn how the Kenwood Center works in these difficult areas to respond sensitively, safely and ethically. Illustrated with actual clinical videotapes, case stories, assessment approaches and documents. They will present their extensive knowledge and experience working with the increasing number of children, teens and adults harmfully caught up in the world of internet-based sexual behavior (cybersex), chat rooms and pornography that can lead to real world betrayal, exploitation sexual abuse and addiction.

Learn about the Kenwood Center's new Assessment and Intensive Outpatient Program called SHARP Program (Sexual Health and Responsibility Program) providing individual, group and family therapy for children and teen's sexual behavior problems in the internet age from a family and community based perspective using collaborative, narrative and restorative justice therapy approaches and coordinating care with everyone affected or concerned about the problem.

This comprehensive program works collaboratively with all affected by the sexual behavior problem: Those who perpetrated, were victimized, their family members, concerned professionals and the communities in which the problem occurred. (Earn Board Approved 6.5 MFT & SW CEU's and 6.0 Psych CEU's).

Friday, November 4

9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

with Walter Bera, PhD, Sarah Gravelle, LMFT, Mike O'Brien, LP and Sharri Rogers, LAMFT

Register on line at: www.kenwoodcenter.org.

(Workshop held in Kenwood Center's Training Center. Easy free parking in back.
Coffee, food, drink, snacks and lunch served with all registrations)

Or email or call:

612-377-9190 x 1, info@kenwoodcenter.org.

Kenwood Website: www.kenwoodcenter.org.

Kenwood Therapy Center, 2809 South Wayzata Blvd., Minneapolis, MN 55405

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3. Webinar: That's Just the Way We Do Things Here: Changing the Culture of Your Court, November 15, 2011

Join WATCH on Tuesday, November 15th at 1:00 p.m. CST (11:00 a.m. PST, 12:00 p.m. MST, 2:00 p.m. EST) for a one-hour webinar on Changing the Culture of Your Court with special guest Rachel Hawkins, court advocate at Sojourner Project in Minnesota.

The cultural norms of courtrooms often determine how cases are handled and not the rule of law. Are your courts "held hostage" by a difficult staff person? Who is really in charge of your courts? Victims should expect courts that are safe, efficient and respectful but a "that's just the way it's done here" attitude can often get in the way. This webinar will examine court culture and how to change it for the better.

Share your experience!

Do you have an example of a situation at court that required action and you weren't sure how to respond? Do you have a particular concern that needs your attention? Send us your questions and a brief description of your experience and we will address it during the webinar! Examples must be received no later than Friday, November 4th

COST: \$35 for National Association of Court Monitoring Program members and \$50 for non-members. You may register by credit card at www.watchmn.org/training (link removed) or send a check to the address listed above. If paying with a check, please include the name of the webinar you are registering for, as well as a phone number, mailing address and e-mail contact.

QUESTIONS: Email khovde@watchmn.org or call (612) 341-2747 x2.

A WEBINAR IS: a seminar transmitted over the web. All you need is a phone line and access to the internet. Upon registration you will be provided with access codes.

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4. FINAL REMINDER: The Minnesota Men's Action Network Survey

The Minnesota Men's Action Network is conducting a survey to measure male involvement in the prevention of sexual and domestic violence in the state. Last week, we sent out an invitation to complete the survey.

This is a reminder to encourage you to complete the survey if you haven't already.

If you are interested in participating in this survey, please follow this link to the survey.

The survey consists of 12 or fewer questions, depending on which survey you are being asked to participate in. We estimate it will take approximately 10 to 15 minutes to complete. Please follow this link to the survey.

Thank you for your time and for sharing your perspective.

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5. The Minnesota Network on Abuse in Later Life Survey

The Minnesota Network on Abuse in Later Life is an organization of domestic and sexual abuse programs, law enforcement, prosecutors, health care, adult protective services, social services, senior services, community and senior specific organizations, faith communities and individuals in Minnesota. We strive to be inclusive of any/all community persons regardless of race, faith, ethnicity, gender or isolation.

This survey is being widely distributed in Minnesota and is a follow-up to our 2003 survey. We ask that you forward it to any senior organizations in your communities.

MNALL thanks you for your response - the information gathered will guide our education and training actions in 2012 and forward.

To complete this survey please click on this link: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/D8RJTXC>.

Thank you for all you do. Your advocacy for the "over 50's" in MN is a rare gem in our ageist world!

Char Thompson, Minnesota Network on Abuse in Later Life

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6. FORGE Survey

Therapists & Sexual Assault Providers, your experience makes a difference: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/trans-training-needs>

Answering this survey will help FORGE develop more effective training and technical assistance strategies for DV/SA agencies to better serve transgender survivors. This survey has been approved by the Morehouse School of Medicine Institutional Review Board.

Encourage EVERYONE in your agency to take the survey. All voices are valuable and welcomed.

For more information about the survey and project, go to: http://forge-forward.org/wp-content/docs/SA_agencies_survey_coverletter.pdf (link removed) (You can also download a postcard to share with your colleagues at:

<http://forge-forward.org/wp-content/docs/agency-survey-postcard.pdf> (link removed)

P.S. – Please forward this email to your colleagues (in your city or anywhere in the United States).

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7. New Research: Garden of Truth tells stories of Native victims of prostitution and sex trafficking in MN

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By Sheila Regan, TC Daily Planet

October 29, 2011

On October 27, the Minnesota Indian Women's Sexual Assault Coalition (MIWSAC) and Prostitution Research & Education (PRE) released a new report called Garden of Truth: The Prostitution and Trafficking of Native Women in Minnesota, the first-of-its-kind based on interviews and surveys with more than 105 Native women aged 18-60 in the Twin Cities, Duluth and Bemidji. The report was written by Melissa Farley, Nicole Matthews, Sarah Deer, Guadalupe Lopez, Christine Stark, and Eileen Hudon.

The study found that of the 105 women, about half had been victims of sex trafficking, 92 percent had been raped, 84 percent had been physically abused during prostitution, 72 percent had suffered traumatic brain injuries from prostitution, 98 percent were currently or previously homeless, and 39 percent entered prostitution before age 18. In addition, the study found that 72 percent of the women saw a connection between prostitution and colonization.

Prostitution Versus Sex Trafficking

The research for the report was conducted about women involved with both prostitution and sex trafficking in part because of the "multiple legal definitions at the federal, state, and tribal levels and the varying degrees of understanding among those working on social justice issues and the general population" of sex trafficking, according to the report.

The federal definition of sex trafficking is "the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for the purpose of a commercial sex act," while the Minnesota statutory definition of sex trafficking is... (read full article:

<http://www.tcdailyplanet.net/news/2011/10/29/garden-truth-tells-stories-native-victims-prostitution-and-sex-trafficking-mn>)

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8. Web Resources

Minnesota:

- Cordelia Anderson www.cordeliaanderson.com
- Minnesota Department of Health Sexual Violence Prevention Program www.health.state.mn.us/injury/topic/svp
- Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Office of Justice Programs <https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/ojp/Pages/default.aspx>
- Minnesota Coalition Against Sexual Assault www.mncasa.org
- Minnesota Indian Women's Sexual Assault Coalition www.miwsc.org
- Minnesota Battered Women's Coalition www.mbcw.org
- Minnesota Men's Action Network www.menapeacemakers.org/programs/mmna (link removed)
- Minnesota Center Against Violence and Abuse MINCAVA www.mincava.umn.edu
- The National Child Protection Training Center <http://www.nccpc.org/>
- The Advocates for Human Rights <http://www.theadvocatesforhumanrights.org/>

National:

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Sexual Violence Prevention <http://www.cdc.gov/ViolencePrevention/sexualviolence/index.html>
- National Sexual Violence Resource Center (NSVRC) www.nsvrc.org
- National Alliance to End Sexual Violence <http://naesv.org/>
- National Coalition to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation www.preventtogether.org
- VAWnet Violence Against Women National Online Resource Center <http://www.vawnet.org/>
- Prevention Institute www.preventioninstitute.org
- PreventConnect www.preventconnect.org

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9. Funding Opportunities

- VAWnet features sources of government and private funding that are available to support projects or organizations working to end violence against women, or to provide opportunities for individual survivors.

Government funding resources includes information on the 26 United States Federal grant-making agencies, portals to federal, local, and state government funding resources, and opportunities from the White House Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives and the Department Centers for Faith-Based and Community Initiatives.

Private funding resources include grants, scholarships, fellowships and/or awards for individual women available from foundations, charities and private trusts. <http://www.vawnet.org/grants-funding/funding-opportunities.php>

• Grants.gov is a source to FIND and APPLY for federal grants. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is proud to be the managing partner for Grants.gov, an initiative that is having an unparalleled impact on the grant community. Learn more about Grants.gov and determine if you are eligible for grant opportunities offered on this site. www.grants.gov

• NSVRC - Opportunities. This section provides information about funding (and volunteer, job and educational opportunities, as well as award nominations of interest to those in the fields of sexual violence prevention and intervention). Announcements are added daily and organizations are invited to submit volunteer opportunities, job listings, and calls for papers, abstracts and proposals for journals, anthologies and conferences. <http://www.nsvrc.org/opportunities>

• MINCAVA. The Minnesota includes information and resources on a number of violence topics and includes a section on funding. <http://www.mincava.umn.edu/types/10>

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10. Calendar

Note...For additional events (to attend or promote) link to the MN Center Against Violence and Abuse (MINCAVA) electronic clearinghouse (a great resource for MN events, articles, and more)! For another excellent resource, link to the Advocates for Human Rights Calendar

November 4, 2011, Navigating the World of Cybersex, Pornography and Abuse. For more information call 612-377-9190 x 1, or e-mail info@kenwoodcenter.org.

November 4, 2011, Sexual Violence Prevention Network (SVPN). For information contact: Amy.Kenzie@state.mn.us.

November 5, 2011, Breaking Free's 2nd Annual Benefit Breakfast, contact Heather Caillier hcaillier@breakingfree.net

November 14-18, 2011, Conference: ChildFirst®, Winona State University, contact: Susanne Walters, Victim Assistance Specialist at susanne@ncptc-jwr.org or 941-234-3058.

November 15, Webinar: That's Just the Way We Do Things Here: Changing the Culture of Your Court. For more information contact khovde@watchmn.org or call (612) 341-2747 x2.

Mark your calendar for 2012 SVPN meetings:

February 3, 2012, Sexual Violence Prevention Network (SVPN). For information contact: Amy.Kenzie@state.mn.us.

May 11, 2012, Sexual Violence Prevention Network (SVPN). For information contact: Amy.Kenzie@state.mn.us.

August 10, 2012, Sexual Violence Prevention Network (SVPN). For information contact: Amy.Kenzie@state.mn.us.

November 2, 2012, Sexual Violence Prevention Network (SVPN). For information contact: Amy.Kenzie@state.mn.us.

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