

Sexual Violence Prevention E-News

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1. SVPN Meeting/Videoconference/Live Webstream: Engaging Men in Sexual Violence Prevention: Where are the guys? What are they doing? Friday, August 10, 2012, St. Paul, MN

Engaging Men in Sexual Violence Prevention:
Where are the guys? What are they doing?

The Minnesota Men's Action Network: Alliance to Prevent Sexual and Domestic Violence (MNMN) will release the results of the first survey of its kind to measure the level of male involvement to end sexual and domestic violence in Minnesota. They will also discuss their primary prevention male engagement strategies, lessons learned, and current model initiatives that are "shovel ready" for MN communities.

Speakers:

Chuck Derry, Gender Violence Institute and MN Men's Action Network, Clearwater, MN
Ed Heisler, Men as Peacemakers and MN Men's Action Network, Duluth, MN

Date: Friday, August 10, 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Location: 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.yovici.com/se.asbx?s=56206FF354A18ECD](http://www.health.state.mn.us/about/sop.htm#locationand%20videoconference%20sites%20around%20the%20state%20(link%20here%20for%20locations:%20https://survey.yovici.com/se.asbx?s=56206FF354A18ECD)

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?gcMealID=57>

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Thursday, August 9, 2012

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.

Please promote widely!

Also, we would like to pass along a request for attendees of SVPN meetings to please avoid wearing perfume, cologne and other scented products. Thank you.

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2. Conference: Prevention and the Child Protection Professional, July 9-11, Mall of America, Bloomington, MN

The National Child Protection Training Center presents:

Prevention and the Child Protection Professional

July 9-11, 2012 at the Mall of America – Nickelodeon Universe; Great Room, Bloomington, MN

This event is for all child abuse professionals or anyone working closely with children. For more information, please see the attached brochure or link to: http://www.nctpc.org/index.asp?Type=B_BASIC&SEC={65688ED4-0EC8-4683-8CA3-22E903A2CF1D}

Single-day registrations and college student discounts available.

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3. Conference: Shutting Off the Tap to Teens and Young Adults, August 16, Coon Rapids, MN

Shutting Off the Tap to Teens and Young Adults: Environmental strategies to prevent underage alcohol use and young adult misuse.

Keynote: Dr. David Jernigan, Director of the Center on Alcohol Marketing and Youth and Associate Professor, Department of Health, Behavior and Society at Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health

Workshops: Experts will discuss policy approaches and provide practical advice for preventing underage alcohol use and young adult alcohol misuse. Two rounds of breakout sessions and a panel discussion will be offered.

Thursday, August 16, 2012

8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Bunker Hills Golf Course and Banquet Room

12800 Bunker Prairie Drive

Coon Rapids, MN 55448

\$30 registration fee

Registration information: www.emprc.org/sott2012

Questions: lgosselin@invitationhealthinstitute.org

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4. Save the Date: Breaking Free's Anti-Human Trafficking Event, May 3-4, 2013, St. Paul, MN

Many of you made history as part of the first Demand Change Project event in 2011. Please save the date, May 3-4, 2013, and join us again as we expand on the important work that is being done to end modern day slavery and decrease the demand for commercial sex. More details to come.

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5. Article: After the Sandusky Verdict, Lessons for Parents

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(Note: included are several quotes from Victor Vieth, National Child Protection Training Center)

After the Sandusky Verdict, Lessons for Parents

Bonnie Rochman, June 23, 2012

<http://healthland.time.com/2012/06/23/after-the-sandusky-verdict-lessons-for-parents/#ixzz1z0ZV27D0>

It was late Friday night, within minutes of the announcement that former Penn State assistant football coach Jerry Sandusky had been found guilty of 45 of 48 counts of sexually abusing children, that the National Child Protection Training Center released its eloquently worded reaction: "With this verdict, we can finally cease calling the children abused by Jerry Sandusky 'alleged' victims and call them what they really are — courageous."

That courage took a long time to percolate. In many cases, victims recounted assaults that had taken place years ago. But judging by the tears that fell during their testimony, the ensuing decades have done little to dim the pain of being abused by a man they trusted and revered. "Some wounds," noted the statement, "never heal."

In fact, new research increasingly points to the effects of toxic stress in childhood — and sexual abuse surely qualifies — on adult health. "When a child's interaction with other people breaks down, it can have lifetime consequences," says Dr. Robert Block, a child-abuse pediatrician who is president of the American Academy of Pediatrics. Stress has been linked, not surprisingly, not only to depression but also to increased risk for heart disease, suicide, substance abuse, even cancer.

It goes without saying that conscientious parents would go to great lengths to spare their children from such experiences. And experts say the Sandusky trial revealed many valuable lessons for parents looking to do just that.

Lesson No. 1: One not-so-obvious insight? Don't tell secrets. "Children are taught very early to keep secrets," says Block. "It's a game. When children are being molested, the perpetrator tells them, 'This is a secret. Don't tell anybody.' So we encourage parents to not include kids in secrets. Talk instead in terms of surprises."

Lesson No. 2: Be leery of any adult who seems smitten with your kid. Child molesters are savvy; they often prey on vulnerable kids — poor children, or those whose parents aren't often around. Lauren's Kids — an organization started by Lauren Book, who was sexually abused for six years by her nanny — shared this explanation of how predators work, written by one of Book's parents:

Read more: <http://healthland.time.com/2012/06/23/after-the-sandusky-verdict-lessons-for-parents/#ixzz1z0ZV27D0>

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6. Article: Jerry Sandusky trial: I wish I'd paid more attention to one young man's pain

Jerry Sandusky trial: I wish I'd paid more attention to one young man's pain

LaVar Arrington, June 12, 2012

http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/hard-hits/post/i-wish-id-paid-more-attention-to-one-young-mans-pain/2012/06/12/gIQAkviXV_blog.html

It's hard to believe I could feel any worse about the horrific situation at Penn State and the allegations against former defensive coordinator Jerry Sandusky. But when the trial opened yesterday, to my dismay, matters became even more personal.

One witness, identified as Victim 4 by the grand jury, mentioned me multiple times. He spoke of wearing my jersey and having his photo taken with me. It again brought to mind his name, which originally had come to me when news of this scandal first broke.

Everything that has happened has aged me a few years, as I'm sure it has many others. But now my sadness and disappointment are growing as I realize that I knew this young man fairly well but didn't grasp the full extent of what he was going through.

He's 28 now, but I can recall seeing him around all the time when he was a kid, and I built a relationship with him. I always enjoyed interacting with kids. As time went on, I knew he looked up to me and was a big fan, and I made a point of stopping to talk with him. I'd ask him the usual questions: "How are you?" "How's school?" He always seemed mad or kind of distant. I remember distinctly asking him: "Why are you always walking around all mad, like a tough guy?"

My preconceived notion was that he was part of Sandusky's Second Mile foundation, so he must live in a troubled home, and I chalked it up to that. I would just tell him to smile every once in a while or laugh, that it would make him feel better. I guess with everything that I had going on, it certainly wasn't a priority for me to try to figure him out. I saw him at the 1999 Alamo Bowl and shared a couple laughs. I left school for the draft and that was that.

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7. Article: Transgender immigrant detainees face isolation in detention

Transgender immigrant detainees face isolation in detention

By Nancy Lopez

<http://www.nsvrc.org/news/news-field/14805>

The issue of prison rape is often belittled by standup comedians, but it's really no laughing matter – especially if you're a transgender woman locked up in an all-male facility.

Grace Lawrence, 43, is a transgender woman from Liberia who was in the custody of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, or ICE, for nearly three years. For all but six months, she was kept in solitary confinement for 23 hours a day.

Often, transgender inmates are placed in protective custody – also known as solitary confinement – for their own protection.

"It was hard. But that's just me, but the same thing was happening to other transgenders that was around me," says Lawrence.

Transgender women are up to 13 times more likely to be sexually assaulted while incarcerated, according to transgender rights groups. The government decided to start gathering data on the issue with the passage of the Prison Rape Elimination Act in 2003. This year it was updated to include specific measures to protect transgender, lesbian and gay inmates from abuse.

One measure in particular now limits the use of solitary confinement as the only way to protect transgender inmates. This is in response to advocates saying that the practice isolates individuals and is inhumane. But this and all other protections of the new Act do not extend to immigrants in ICE custody who are held in detention centers or county jails, like Grace Lawrence.

This is why lawyers and advocates argue that continuing to keep immigrant transgender detainees in solitary confinement actually creates barriers for them, including limiting their access to legal help.

Continue reading: <http://www.nsvrc.org/news/news-field/14805>

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8. Teenwise MN E-Monthly

Teenwise Minnesota's June E-Monthly is available on-line: <http://www.teenwisemn.org/emonthly/emonthly2012.jun.html>

Includes training information, resources, and new fact sheets on:

- * 2012 Minnesota Adolescent Sexual Health Report (PDF)
- * 2012 Minnesota County Adolescent Sexual Health Reports
- * Top 10 Minnesota Counties by Birth & Pregnancy Rates (PDF)
- * MFIP Data for Families Started by Adolescent Birth (under age 20) (PDF)
- * Disparities in Adolescent Birth Rates by Race and Ethnicity (PDF)
- * Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs) Among Minnesota Adolescents (PDF)
- * Dollars and Sense (PDF)

Additionally, link to <http://www.teenwisemn.org/training/presentations.html> for follow-up information and power point presentations from Teenwise MN's May 3-4, 2012 conference.

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9. NSVRC Video Podcast: Mapping Prevention

The NSVRC's (National Sexual Violence Resource Center) Mapping Prevention video podcast series highlights unique state and community approaches to the prevention of sexual violence. In this segment, Ashley Maier, former Prevention Program Coordinator with the Oregon Attorney General's Sexual Assault Task Force, talks about the concept of branding prevention as well as successful social branding strategies http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=7JlPr33M08U#

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10. Book Recommendations

(Send your book recommendations to amy.kenzie@state.mn.us)

Class Action, Clara Bingham and Laura Leedy Gansler, http://www.amazon.com/Class-Action-Landmark-Changed-Harassment/dp/0385496133/ref=sr_1_12?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1334786159&sr=1-1

Girls Like Us, Rachel Lloyd, <http://www.amazon.com/Girls-Like-Us-Fighting-Activist/dp/0061582050>

Nickels, Christine Stark, <http://www.christinestark.com/>

The Sum of My Parts, Olga Trujillo, <http://www.olgatrujillo.com/>

The In Between, Erica Staab, <http://ericastaab.com/the-in-between/>

Transforming a Rape Culture, <http://search.barnesandnoble.com/Transforming-a-Rape-Culture/Emilie-Buchwald/e/9781571312693?itm=1&usri=transforming+the+rape+culture>

Trauma Stewardship, Laura van Dernoot Lipsky www.traumastewardship.com

When Survivors Give Birth, Penny Simkin, PT, and Phyllis Klaus, CSW, MFT <http://www.amazon.com/When-Survivors-Give-Birth-Understanding/dp/1594040222>

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11.

Web Resources

Minnesota:

Cordelia Anderson www.cordeliaanderson.com

Minnesota Battered Women's Coalition www.mcbw.org

Minnesota Center Against Violence and Abuse MINCAVA www.mincava.umn.edu

Minnesota Coalition Against Sexual Assault www.mncasa.org

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 Indian Women's Sexual Assault Coalition www.mnwsac.org
Minnesota Men's Action Network www.menaspeacemakers.org/programs/mnman (link removed)
Prevent Child Abuse Minnesota www.pcamn.org
The National Child Protection Training Center <http://www.ncptc.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 Alliance to End Sexual Violence <http://naesv.org/>
National Coalition to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation www.preventtogether.org
National Sexual Violence Resource Center (NSVRC) www.nsvrc.org
Prevention Institute www.preventioninstitute.org
PreventConnect www.preventconnect.org
VAWnet Violence Against Women National Online Resource Center <http://www.vawnet.org/>

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12. 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/> <http://www.vawnet.org/grants-funding/funding-opportunities.php> http://www.vawnet.org/Assoc_Files_VAWnet/FundingAlert-V7N5.pdf

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 MN Center Against Violence and Abuse (MINCAVA) includes information and resources on a number of violence topics and includes a section on funding. www.mincava.umn.edu

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13. 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!) <http://www.mincava.umn.edu/types/11>

For other excellent resources, link to the Advocates for Human Rights Calendar (http://www.theadvocatesforhumanrights.org/the_advocates_events.html) and the Minnesota Women's Consortium Calendar (<http://www.mnwomen.org/Calendar.html>)

July 9-11, 2012, Prevention and the Child Protection Professional, Mall of America, Bloomington, MN. Link to: http://www.ncptc.org/index.asp?Type=B_BASIC&SEC={65688ED4-0FC8-4683-BCA3-22E903A2CE1D}

July 9-13, 2012, National Call to Action Institute and Conference. Link to: <http://www.womenofcolornetwork.org>

July 30-Aug 1, 2012, Summer Institute in Adolescent Health: Equal Access, Equal Say: Achieving Health Equity for All Young People, St. Paul, MN. To register: www.nursing.umn.edu/can. For more information link to www.nursing.umn.edu/can and click on the continuing education link.

August 10, 2012, SVPN Meeting: Engaging Men in Sexual Violence Prevention: Where are the guys? What are they doing? St. Paul, MN. For information contact: Amy Kenzie

August 16, 2012, Shutting Off the Tap, Coon Rapids, MN. Link to: www.emprc.org/sotf2012

August 22-24, 2012, National Sexual Assault Conference, Chicago, IL. Link to: http://www.nsvrc.org/nsac#About_the_Conference

2012 ongoing training opportunities from the National Child Protection Training Center (NCPTC). Link to: http://www.ncptc.org/index.asp?Type=B_FV&SEC={AD52E178-3A36-4A08-976E-BA63C377540E}

Mark your calendar for 2012 SVPN meetings:

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

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

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