

Sexual Violence Prevention E-News

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1. [Sexual Violence Prevention Network meeting, *Recruiting Youth into Prostitution*, Friday, August 6, 2004](#)

Special Topic

Recruiting Youth into Prostitution: A panel discussion on efforts to prevent the recruitment of youth into prostitution, with a focus on rural communities and Greater MN.

Panelists

- ▶ Vednita Carter, Breaking Free
- ▶ Rev. Al Erickson, Adults Saving Kids
- ▶ Sgt. Andrew Schmidt, Minneapolis Police Department, FBI Task Force on Child Prostitution

Agenda

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon: Welcome, introductions and information sharing

12:00 noon - 12:30 p.m.: Lunch

12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.: Presentations/discussion

11:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Trinity Lutheran Church

1420 South 6th Street

Brainerd, MN
(218) 829-5147

Use [Mapquest](#) for direction

Lunch will be provided
R.S.V.P. is Required (by Monday, August 2, 2004)
Contact [Amy Kenzie](#), (651) 281-9810

Please note: Requests for special accommodations must be made by Wednesday, July 28, 2004. Please provide name, telephone number and type of accommodation needed.

Please feel free to forward the attached flyer to others who may be interested in this meeting (RSVP required).
Thanks!!

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2. 88th Annual Search Institute Healthy Communities - Healthy Youth (HC-HY) Conference

Designed for people who work with or care about youth, this conference brings together people from different community sectors nationally and internationally who promote positive youth development. The prevention track is called, *Developmental Assets as a Pathway to Prevention*.

Without adding costly new programs, attendees will learn how to strengthen their prevention efforts by infusing existing programs with the positive approach of developmental assets (a SAMSHA CSAP approved *Best Practice* Prevention Planning Process).

The conference includes over 80 learning sessions, youth and adult keynote speakers, exhibits, roundtables, entertainment, intergenerational activities and separate pre-conference sessions and meetings.

Thursday and Friday - 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday - 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Radisson Riverfront Hotel
11 East Kellogg Blvd.
St. Paul, MN

Cost

Early Bird rates: Adults-\$525
Youth-\$365
After September 15: Adults-\$575
Youth-\$415

[Online registration](#) will be available July 1. For more information or to request a registration brochure, contact

Liz Brekke at (800) 888-7828, or call (612) 692-5555.

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3. Mandated Reporter Training, August 12, 2004

This seminar is designed for child care providers, teachers, health care workers, therapists, patrol officers, advocates and other professionals who have a responsibility for mandated reporting of suspected child maltreatment. Attendees can expect to learn the CornerHouse RIFCR process for talking with children or vulnerable adults regarding suspected maltreatment, how to discern normal child sexual development from concerning behaviors, dynamics and disclosure process related to child sexual abuse and how to report suspected maltreatment. This learning is facilitated through the use of videotaped demonstrations, skill-building through practice and group exercises. Each attendee will receive a comprehensive course notebook including relevant research, lecture materials and resource guides.

About CornerHouse Trainers

CornerHouse is a child advocacy center located in Minneapolis, Minnesota with a reputation for utilizing a reliable and credible interview process that has been replicated within Minnesota and across the nation. CornerHouse instructors are accredited, national trainers who also talk with kids everyday regarding allegations of child abuse.

Cost: \$50

Bloomington Police Department
1800 West Old Shakopee Road, Bloomington

Questions? Contact Sandy Heitkamp, (612) 813-8310

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4. Festival for Fathers and Families, Saturday, August 14, 2004

The 14th annual festival will continue the tradition of food, families and fun. This celebration, organized by a volunteer corps of fatherhood advocates from across the Twin Cities, offers free games, entertainment and food for families from across Minnesota. Additionally, attendees can browse the exhibit tables of many of Minnesota's agencies and social services organizations that provide services to fathers and families.

Location

North Commons Park, Minneapolis.

E-mail or phone (651) 644-1447 for more information

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5. Teen Pregnancy Project/Sexual Violence Action Team Forum - Involving & Working with Parents & Other Caring Adults In Teens' Lives, August 25, 2004

Please note August Forum date change. In order to accommodate our speaker's schedule we are changing the date for the August Teen Pregnancy Project/Sexual Violence Action Team Forum. There will be no forum or meeting August 19. New date below.

Teen Pregnancy Project/Sexual Violence Action Team Forum
August 25, 2004, 2:30-4:30pm

Topic

Involving & Working w/ Parents & Other Caring Adults In Teens' n Teens' Lives

Speaker: Mary Wilkens, MD

Adolescent Health Specialist, Bush Fellow from Hopkins, MN

Questions? Please contact [Grit Youngquist](#), (651) 266-2407

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6. Adolescence Directory Web Resource

Adolescence Directory On-Line (ADOL) is an electronic guide to information on adolescent issues; a service of the Center for Adolescent Studies at Indiana University. Educators, counselors, parents, researchers, health practitioners, and teens are invited to use ADOL to find Web resources for a variety of topics.

The ADOL site:

- ▶ Offers Healthy Relationships violence-prevention curriculum
- ▶ Teaches teens to expose gender stereotypes, see the linkages between sexist attitudes and violent behavior
- ▶ Cultivats emotional literacy and assertiveness
- ▶ Teaches pro-social communication skills

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7. *Can We Talk?* - Helping Youth Talk About Healthy Relationships and the Prevention of Teen Pregnancy, HIV, Drug Abuse and Violence

Read how *Can We Talk?* has been implemented around the U.S and check out what's happening in a community near you! See what the *Can We Talk?* parent-child communication activities are all about. Read about the Planning and Training Manual, Family Activity Book, Animated Cartoon Series, and

¿*Conversamos?*, the Spanish language cultural adaptation of *Can We Talk?* [Sample activities](#) are available.

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8. Child Abuse Prevention Course

The focus of the course will be on building skills in child maltreatment risk/resilience assessment and best practice forensic and clinical interviewing methods.

Students will examine contemporary child maltreatment risk assessment methods; compare risk assessment tools; organize child maltreatment research by calibrating risk/resilience; construct a strength based culturally sensitive risk assessment guide; understand ethnographic, strength based interviewing principles and methods in forensic and clinical settings; and develop effective culturally competent interviewing practices relevant to child maltreatment and family violence.

Risk Assessment and Interviewing Skills (SW 5484)

(3 credits or audit)

Tuesdays 5:10 pm to 8:00 pm

September 7 to December 15, 2004

Peters Hall 80

St. Paul Campus

[More information and registration](#) for this course is available.

[Information center](#): (612) 624-4000

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9. Job Opening: Director, Field Development, Stop it Now! Minnesota

[Stop It Now!](#) is seeking an individual to fill a full-time, senior position reporting to the CEO. The Director of Field Development will be responsible for the growth and management of Stop It Now! in community and state-wide settings. The Director will be the lead person at Stop It Now! for coordinating and responding to public interest in Stop It Now!'s work.

Stop It Now! is an award-winning, national nonprofit organization preventing the sexual abuse of children. Stop It Now! pioneered using the tools of public health to challenge adults to prevent or intervene in a potential abusing situation. We challenge adults to talk with friends or family members who may be directing sexualized behaviors towards children and we challenge abusers to stop their abusing behaviors. Using a social marketing strategy developed by other public health campaigns (e. g., efforts to stop drinking and driving, smoking, etc.) we are successfully testing this new public health strategy in four sites in the United States, through our website, and in the United Kingdom and Ireland.

Key responsibilities

- ▶ Develop and implement a strategy to build collaborative relationships with local organizations that wish to adopt Now! public health models and ideas
- ▶ Manage relationships with sites, affiliates and other participating organizations
- ▶ Oversee providing resources including technical assistance

Requirements

- ▶ Significant experience in community organizing and/or management of multiple client relationships
- ▶ Minimum five years relevant experience, public health preferred; graduate degree substitutes for two years of experience
- ▶ Capacity to build coalitions between a variety of interests at the community and state levels
- ▶ Demonstrated organizational skills; ability to build and actively participate in a team environment
- ▶ Ability to include a strong multicultural perspective
- ▶ Excellent writing and public speaking skills; computer and Internet proficiency
- ▶ Strong commitment to social change

Stop It Now! offers competitive salary and benefits. We seek candidates who will bring diversity to our workforce.

For more information contact Maxine Stein, CEO and President, at (413) 268-3096 (ext. 11).

Job open until filled, but send resume and cover letter by August 5 to:

Stop It Now!,
PO Box 495,
Haydenville, MA 01039

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10. Local projects

The National Association of County & City Health Officials (NACCHO) is holding their national conference in Saint Paul this week. Earlier this year NACCHO requested proposals for their annual selection/recognition in public health. The *Teen Pregnancy Project/Sexual Violence Action Team & Shoulder To Shoulder* were selected as promising practices. NACCHO offers ideas and resource on a broad array of public health projects and services.

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