

# Sexual Violence Prevention E-News

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## **1. Office for Victims of Crime Web Forum: *Assisting Victims of Sexual Assault Through a Multidisciplinary Response*, April 7, 2006**

[The Office for Victims of Crime Web Forum](#), *Assisting Victims of Sexual Assault Through a Multidisciplinary Response*, will be held on April 7, 2006, from 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ET, with Dr. Patricia Speck and Sally Laskey. Dr. Patricia Speck has practiced as a forensic nurse and family nurse practitioner for more than 20 years and has served as a consultant for victim service organizations on how to prevent, identify, and treat sexual and domestic violence between individuals, in families, and in communities. Sally Laskey is the Associate Director of the National Sexual Violence Resource Center and manages several national technical assistance projects that focus on developing and enhancing victim-centered multidisciplinary responses to sexual violence.

Each month the nation's experts answer your questions about best practices in victim services. [Archived Web forums](#) include *Best Practices in the Prevention of Youth Violence* with Dr.

Prothrow-Stith, a nationally recognized public health leader who works with community-based programs, including the critically acclaimed *Partnerships for Preventing Violence* satellite broadcast training series.

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## **2. Annual Child Abuse Prevention Conference, April 27, 2006**

Prevent Child Abuse Minnesota (PCAM) is pleased to offer the fifth annual Minnesota Conference on Child Abuse Prevention. Our keynote speaker will be Victor Rivers, an actor who endured horrific child abuse and is now the national spokesperson for the National Network to End Domestic Violence.

His website has this to say:

Having broken the cycle of violence, Victor Rivas Rivers is also a devoted husband and father-what he believes are his two most important roles. It is his indomitable spirit as an actor, athlete and as a human being that may have inspired director Taylor Hackford to call him, "A big man-in heart and soul."

### ***The Power of Prevention: Joining Forces to Promote Healthy Families***

Keynote Speaker: Victor Rivers

Thursday, April 27, 2006

Continuing Education and Conference Center University of Minnesota - St. Paul Campus

In addition to Victor Rivers, Phil Arkow of the American Humane Association will speak on the link between animal abuse and child abuse. PCAM also is offering a variety of workshops to appeal to professionals in a number of fields. Throughout this conference, PCAM intends to inspire and equip practitioners, parent leaders and volunteers to get involved with child abuse and neglect prevention in communities across Minnesota. [Additional information and on-line registration](#) are available.

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## **3. Hold the Date: Prevent-Connect Web Conference, May 12,**

## 2006

Prevent-Connect Web Conference is next in a series of on-line conferences that explore efforts to end violence against women before it happens in the first place. It is brought to you by [Prevention Connection](#) and will feature the staff of [Prevention Institute](#).

Registration for the May 12 web conference will begin in early April 2006. Prvention Connection has not only [details about this web conference](#) but [archived web conferences](#) as well. Sign up for the [Prevent-Connect Listserv](#) to receive notice of upcoming web conferences.

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### **4. VAWnet: Newly Enhanced Public Policy and Systems Advocacy Areas**

[VAWnet](#) has made major enhancements to the content, structure, and utility of the Public Policy & Systems Advocacy areas of the website - in both Domestic & Sexual Violence! The new areas provide a broad range of information and tools to assist in the critical thinking and critical action of individuals and their collective(s) working to end violence against women through public policy and systems change.

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### **5. Extent, Nature, and Consequences of Rape Victimization: Findings From the National Violence Against Women Survey**

Despite widespread public education, rape remains a largely under reported crime; and despite increased levels of research over the past few decades, significant gaps remain in understanding rape victimization. [\*Extent, Nature, and Consequences of Rape Victimization: Findings From the National Violence Against Women Survey\*](#), a National Institute of Justice Special Report, takes a detailed look at the NVAWS findings and the researchers' recommendations for future research.

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## 6. 2004 Minnesota Student Survey: Associations among various youth risk behaviors

Now available: a series of brief reports showing how key indicators on the Minnesota Student Survey are associated with other indicators. There are 21 two-page briefs in all. These tables will help give a sense of what can be done by looking at the associations between variables.

[View the reports](#) at [Coordinated School Health](#). Recommended from the 2004 Minnesota Student Survey Associations include:

- ▶ [2004 Association Briefs between Selected Risk and Protective Factors: 9th Grade](#) (PDF)
- ▶ [2004 Sexual Abuse and Youth Risk and Protective Factors, 9th Grade](#) (PDF)

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## 7. Quick on-line survey about sexual violence and adolescent pregnancy

**A message from: Grit Youngquist, Prevention Specialist, MDH and Marilyn Colby Rivkin, Program Manager, MOAPPP.**

You are invited to participate in a quick on-line survey about sexual violence and adolescent pregnancy. The survey will take about 5 minutes. The questions focus on the training and resource needs of Minnesota professionals in youth-serving organizations. The Minnesota Department of Health's Sexual Violence Prevention Program (MDH) and the Minnesota Organization on Adolescent Pregnancy, Prevention & Parenting (MOAPPP), are conducting the survey.

[Ready to take the survey?](#)

*Why this survey now?* Recent research has shown that youth with a history of sexual violence during childhood and/or adolescence are at significantly increased risk for involvement in a pregnancy during the teen years. While this is true for females, the risk is greater for males, and even greater for youth who are gay/lesbian/bisexual/transgender and those questioning their sexual orientation. Findings from research and practice suggest that preventing sexual abuse and sexual violence can help prevent adolescent pregnancy.

The survey results will help MDH and MOAPPP better understand the training and resources that

practitioners need to be best prepared to help prevent sexual violence and respond to youth who have experienced sexual violence. Please forward this invitation to others who you believe would be interested.

Deadline: The survey will remain open on-line until Friday, April 21, 2006.

MDH and MOAPPP look forward to hearing your ideas via the survey! Thank you very much for your help. Your time and input is greatly appreciated.

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## **8. Position Opening: Sexual Violence Center**

### **Sexual Violence Center Program Coordinator Position.**

Reports to: Program Director.

#### *Position Summary/Primary Objectives*

1. Community Education
2. Support Groups
3. Training
4. Supervision
5. Community Outreach
6. Direct Services
7. Administrative/General

#### *Essential Job Duties*

1. Community Education
2. Support Groups
3. Training
4. Supervision
5. Community Outreach
6. Direct Services
7. Administrative/General

#### *Job Specifications*

- ▶ 30 Hours Per Week

- ▶ Based in Hennepin County with Service Provision in Carver and Scott Counties
- ▶ Flexible Hours; Some Evenings and Weekends
- ▶ Must Have Access to a Vehicle
- ▶ Competitive Salary

#### *Qualifications*

- ▶ Must Have 1-3 Years Sexual Violence Specific Work Experience Providing Crisis Counseling, Support Group Facilitation, Advocacy and Community networking
- ▶ Must Have Supervisory Experience
- ▶ Must Have Excellent Knowledge of Violence Against Women
- ▶ Excellent Administrative, Communication and Organizational Skills
- ▶ Sensitive to and Ability to Work With Diverse and Marginalized Populations
- ▶ Bachelors Degree Preferred

#### *Application Process*

- ▶ Please send resume and cover letter by April 7, 2006 to [B. Kinsley](#), or at

3757 Fremont Avenue N.  
Minneapolis, MN 55412

- ▶ For further information, please contact Laura Trull, (612) 871-5100 x13
- ▶ The Sexual Violence Center is an Equal Opportunity Employer
- ▶ People of Color and GLBT Applicants Strongly Encouraged to Apply

The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by individuals assigned to this position. They are not intended to be an exhaustive list of all duties, responsibilities and skills required of personnel so classified. SVC reserves the right to change or modify job duties at any time as needs of the business require. This job description does not constitute any form of contract, expressed or implied, with the incumbent.

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## **9. Position Opening: Stop it Now! Minnesota**

Stop It Now! Minnesota, a program of Project Pathfinder, Inc., is seeking a full-time Prevention

Specialist. Stop It Now! Minnesota's mission is to prevent the sexual abuse of children before a child is harmed and before an adult, youth, or child acts in a sexually inappropriate way towards a child. Stop It Now! Minnesota believes that adults - not children - are responsible for preventing child sexual abuse. Stop It Now! Minnesota is part of the international Stop It Now! network and works collaboratively with public health, sexual violence prevention, child abuse specialists, victim advocates, treatment providers, and law enforcement agencies to empower adults to take action. For more information on the Stop It Now! program and partners visit us on the web at [www.stopitnow.org/mn](http://www.stopitnow.org/mn) . The Prevention Specialist will report to the Stop It Now! Minnesota Program Director.

## **Prevention Specialist**

### *Responsibilities include*

- ▶ Ongoing program design, implementation, and evaluation.
- ▶ Conducting, synthesizing, and applying research findings to develop and/or improve prevention initiatives.
- ▶ Designing, implementing and evaluating single and multi-session training tools, curricula and presentations.
- ▶ Providing technical assistance and consultation to communities, government agencies and other organizations regarding adult and community responsibility to prevent the perpetration of child sexual abuse.
- ▶ Pitching in on other tasks and assignments as needed.

### *Qualifications*

- ▶ Three to five years of previous experience in design and coordination of prevention and/or public health education services.
- ▶ Advanced degree in Public Health or Public Policy is strongly preferred. B.A. minimum
- ▶ Three to five years of issue related experience in child abuse, sexual abuse or community health education with nonprofit organizations, government, or education is required, as is demonstrated concern about the prevention of child maltreatment.
- ▶ Ability to produce excellent written materials under tight deadlines.
- ▶ Public speaking and/or training experience.

### *Salary and Benefits*

35K 52 K DOE + benefit package

Applicants should submit a cover letter, resume, and salary requirements via e-mail ([dekholm@projectpathfinder.org](mailto:dekholm@projectpathfinder.org)) or snail mail:

Stop It Now! Minnesota

Attn: HR

1821 University Avenue W, Suite N385, St. Paul, MN 55104

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## 10. Calendar

*April*

- ▶ April 2006, Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM)! More information is available from the [National Sexual Violence Resource Center](#). For information on upcoming Minnesota activities and events link to the [MN Coalition Against Sexual Assault](#) and the [MN Coalition for Battered Women](#).
- ▶ April 5-7, 2006, [MNATSA \(MN Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers\)](#) Conference, *Treatment, Management and Prevention: A Decade of Progress a Future of Alliance*, Brooklyn Park, MN.
- ▶ April 6-7, 2006, [Understanding Mental Health Issues of Survivors of Domestic and Sexual Violence](#), Lansing, MI. For more information contact: Lynn Lucas, (517) 347-7000, ext. 21.
- ▶ April 7, 2006, [Office for Victims of Crime Web Forum - Assisting Victims of Sexual Assault Through a Multidisciplinary Response](#).
- ▶ April 17, 2006, Programs for Batterers: Are they Effective? St. Paul, MN. For more information [e-mail MINCAVA](#) or call (612) 624-6674.
- ▶ April 20, 2006, *The Drunk or Drugged Victim of Sexual Assault - Trial Skills for Prosecutors*. For more information is available from [MN Coalition Against Sexual Assault](#) or contact [Kaarin Long](#), Staff Attorney, (651) 209-9993 x 214,
- ▶ April 21, 2006, [United Front for Children Conference: Global Efforts to Combat Sexual Trafficking of Children in Travel and Tourism](#), Minneapolis, MN. [E-mail](#) or call, (612) 624-8384, for more information.
- ▶ April 25, 2006, *The Devastating Effects of Sex-Related Crime*, Mahnomen, MN. For more information contact: Loretta, (218) 935-5554 ext. 3232 or Michael, (218) 847-8572.
- ▶ April 26, 2006, [MNALL](#) Workshop: *Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life* - Mankato, MN. For more information [e-mail MNALL](#).
- ▶ April 27, 2006, [Annual Child Abuse Prevention Conference, The Power of Prevention: Joining](#)



[Forces to Promote Healthy Families](#) - St. Paul, MN.

*May*

- ▶ May 4-5, 2006, [Minnesota Organization on Adolescent Pregnancy, Prevention and Parenting \(MOAPPP\) Conference](#), Brooklyn Center, MN. Contact [MOAPPP](#) for more information ([e-mail](#)).
- ▶ May 9, 2006, [MNALL](#) Workshop: *Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life* - Crookston, MN. For more information [e-mail MNALL](#).
- ▶ May 11, 2006, [MNALL](#) Workshop: *Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life* - Grand Rapids, MN. For more information [e-mail MNALL](#).
- ▶ May 12, 2006, Prevent Connect Web Conference. Get more information from [Prevention Connect](#).
- ▶ May 12, 2006 (changed from May 5), [Sexual Violence Prevention Network](#) (SVPN) - location TBN. For more information watch for future SVPN mailings.
- ▶ May 31-June 2, 2006, [19th Annual Conference on Crime Victims: Protecting our Future](#), Brainerd, MN.

*June*

- ▶ June 14, 2006, [MNALL](#) Workshop: *Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life* - Winona, MN. For more information [e-mail MNALL](#).
- ▶ July 12, 2006, [MNALL](#) Workshop: *Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life* - location TBN. For more information [e-mail MNALL](#).

*August*

- ▶ August 4, 2006, [Sexual Violence Prevention Network](#) (SVPN) - location TBN. For more information watch for future SVPN mailings.
- ▶ August 9, 2006, [MNALL](#) Workshop: *Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life* - location TBN. For more information [e-mail MNALL](#).

*September*

- ▶ September 13, 2006, [MNALL](#) Workshop: *Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life* - Marshall, MN. For more information [e-mail MNALL](#).

*October*

- ▶ October, 2006, [MNALL](#) Workshop: *Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life* - Metro area location TBN. For more information [e-mail MNALL](#).

## November

- ▶ November 3, 2006, [Sexual Violence Prevention Network](#) (SVPN) - location TBN. For more information watch for future SVPN mailings.
- ▶ November 8, 2006, [MNALL](#) Workshop: *Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life* - St. Cloud, MN. For more information [e-mail MNALL](#).

## December

- ▶ December 13, 2006, [MNALL](#) Workshop: *Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life* - location TBN. For more information [e-mail MNALL](#).

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