



West Virginia Center For Children's Justice

# Handle With Care CONFERENCE

October 11-13, 2016 • Civic Center, Charleston, WV



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## About the WV Center for Children's Justice

The WV Center for Children's Justice is a statewide trauma informed response to child maltreatment and children's exposure to violence. The Center is housed in the Crimes Against Children Unit of the WV State Police and is located at the Academy in Dunbar, WV. It is made up of the WV Children's Justice Task Force, the WV Drug Endangered Children Program, the Handle with Care Program and a committee looking at Human Trafficking.

## The WV Center for Children's Justice Task Force

**Membership:** The West Virginia Children's Justice Task Force is a multi-disciplinary group, composed of volunteer representatives from law enforcement, the judiciary, prosecuting attorneys, defense attorneys, child advocates, Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), health and mental health professionals, child protective services, developmental disabilities, and parent groups. The Task Force meets quarterly to plan and carry out its mission.

**Mission:** Child abuse and neglect are community problems requiring community solutions. The West Virginia Children's Justice Task Force, a multi-disciplinary body of public and private agencies and individuals, is committed to the protection of children. Our mission is to identify barriers to the successful resolution of child abuse and neglect issues; and to educate and advocate for change.

## About the Conference

The WV Children's Justice Handle with Care Conference will focus on a trauma informed response to child maltreatment and children's exposure to violence. Our goal is to provide you with current information to better help you serve those in our communities who experience abuse and violence. Sessions will include topics on the investigation, prosecution, and treatment of child maltreatment and family violence.

## Who Should Attend?

Law Enforcement, Child Protection Workers, Prosecutors, Medical Professionals, Mental Health Professionals, Treatment Providers, Courts, Probation/Parole, Corrections, Victim Advocates, Drug Court Personnel, Day Report, Teachers, CASAs, Youth Workers, Paramedics, EMTs, Social Workers, Foster Parents, and the Faith Community.



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## General Information

The goal of the WV Children's Justice Handle with Care Conference is to provide practical instruction, using current information, the newest ideas, and most successful intervention strategies to those professionals responsible for combating the many and varied forms of crimes against children.

The conference is conducted for the sole purpose of providing training to people who work in the multi-disciplinary field of child maltreatment. This includes governmental or non-profit agencies in the fields of law enforcement, prosecution, child protective services, social work, children's advocacy, therapy, and medicine who work directly with child victims of crime.

Tuesday morning will begin with a keynote followed by lunch on your own and two breakout sessions. Wednesday morning begins with an opening keynote followed by a breakout session, award luncheon, and two more breakout sessions. Thursday morning begins with two breakout sessions followed by a closing keynote. Seating will be on a first come, first serve basis in all the sessions.

**Keynote Speakers**

**Dr. Vincent Felitti**  
The Adverse Childhood Experiences Study

**Dr. Lawrence Simons**  
Sexual Deviance in the New Millennium

**Mark Yarbrough**  
Suffer from Burnout? Give Them the F.I.N.G.E.R.

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9:00 am - 10:00 am Registration/Check-in Civic Center Lobby	8:00 am - 9:00 am Continental Breakfast South Hall	7:45 am - 8:30 am Continental Breakfast Civic Center Lobby
10:00 am - 12:00 noon Opening Keynote South Hall	9:00 am - 10:15 am Opening Keynote South Hall	8:30 am - 9:45am Breakout Sessions F
Lunch on your own	10:30 am - 11:45 am Breakout Sessions C	10:00 am - 11:15 am Breakout Sessions G
1:15 pm - 2:45 pm Breakout Sessions A	Awards Luncheon	11:30 am - 1:00 pm Closing Keynote South Hall
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## Keynote Speakers

### The Adverse Childhood Experiences Study

October 11, 2016 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

#### Dr. Vincent Felitti

The Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) Study is a long term, in-depth analysis of 17,337 middle-aged, middle-class members of the Kaiser Permanente Medical Care Program, matching their current health status against 10 categories of adverse childhood experiences that occurred on average a half-century earlier. They found that: adverse childhood experiences are surprisingly common although typically concealed and unrecognized; they still have a profound effect 50 years later, although now transformed from psychosocial experience into organic disease and mental illness; and that adverse childhood experiences are the main determinant of the health and social well-being of the nation.

The Adverse Childhood Experiences Study thus has direct and important relevance to the practice of medicine and to the field of social planning. Its findings indicate that many of our more common public health and adult medical problems are the result of events and experiences present but not recognized in childhood. The ACE Study challenges, as needlessly superficial, the current conceptions of depression and addiction, showing them to have a very strong dose response relationship to antecedent life experiences.

### Sexual Deviance in the New Millennium

October 12, 2016 9:00 am to 10:15 am

#### Dr. Lawrence J. Simons

Dr. Simons will offer a careful examination into the fantasy world of sexually deviant individuals. The underlying motivations of some of the most common and extraordinarily rare paraphilic behavior will be explored. He will examine the evolution of violent and non-violent sexual deviance, including but not limited to necrophilia, lust murder, sexual sadism, voyeurism, pedophilia, and so on, as well as the path toward criminal activity and its addictive processes through the internet.

### Suffer from Burnout? Give them the F.I.N.G.E.R.

October 13, 2016 11:30 am to 1:00 pm

#### Mark Yarbrough

Mark Yarbrough, the author of "Suffer from BURNOUT? Give 'em the F.I.N.G.E.R.!" is someone who actually suffered from this debilitating ailment. Mr. Yarbrough was serving as an elected District Attorney when he suffered from burnout. Mr. Yarbrough will tell attendees what caused his burnout. More importantly, Mr. Yarbrough shares his F.I.N.G.E.R. philosophy that he used to overcome his burnout.



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## Pre-Conference Sessions—October 10, 2016

### Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHFA)

9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Youth Mental Health First Aid is an 8 hour course designed to teach parents, family members, caregivers, teachers, school staff, peers, neighbors, health and human services workers, and other caring citizens how to help an adolescent (age 12-18) who is experiencing a mental health or addictions challenge or is in crisis. Youth Mental Health First Aid is primarily designed for adults who regularly interact with young people. The course introduces common mental health challenges for youth, reviews typical adolescent development, and teaches a 5-step action plan for how to help young people in both crisis and non-crisis situations. Topics covered include anxiety, depression, substance use, disorders in which psychosis may occur, disruptive behavior disorders (including AD/HD), and eating disorders.

### Trauma Focused—Cognitive Behavior Therapy Booster Shot!

1:30 pm to 5:00 pm

This advanced, TF-CBT learning opportunity is for therapists currently engaged in the TF-CBT supervision calls, as well as therapists previously trained in TF-CBT. The goal of this free workshop is to expand upon the current knowledge-base and share experiences from the field. This Booster shot will be facilitated by WV's favorite TF-CBT trainer, Kris Buffington.

### WV ACE's Coalition Meeting

1:30 pm to 5:00 pm

The state ACE's Coalition was created in early 2016 to help mobilize work and collaboration around the Adverse Childhood Experiences Study (ACES) in West Virginia. "ACEs" comes from the CDC-Kaiser Adverse Childhood Experiences Study, a groundbreaking public health study that discovered that childhood trauma leads to the adult onset of chronic diseases, depression and other mental illness, violence and being a victim of violence. The ACEs Coalition seeks to advance the many exciting efforts emerging in West Virginia related to ACE's including trauma-informed education programs, the expanding "Handle with Care" project, collection and evaluation of ACE survey data from WV residents, and many others. Please join us for the fall meeting of the ACES Coalition and help us set the course for this new Coalition.

### Handle with Care

1:30 pm to 5:00 pm

"Handle with Care" is an effort to help traumatized children learn. It connects Law Enforcement, Schools and Mental Health Providers in addressing issues that arise when children are traumatized. This preconference session will walk you through the process of getting Handle with Care started in your community.

### Child Fatality Response Teams

1:30 pm to 5:00 pm

Professionals from a number of different agencies and disciplines become involved following an unexpected death of an infant or child. The coordination of these efforts is essential to a thorough investigation. Child Fatality Response Teams are intended to provide guidance, develop protocols, share specify unique information with the team, and create a body of information that will assist in the coroner's effort to accurately identify the cause and reasons for the death. This session will be a lecture/discussion on child fatalities with a follow up on how to start a Child Fatality Response team in West Virginia.

# Breakout Sessions

					
<p><b>A1</b> Trauma and Treatment</p> <p>Kristine Buffington</p>	<p><b>A2</b> Bruises, Burns and Bites: Abuse or Not?</p> <p>Dr. Cathy Baldwin-Johnson</p>	<p><b>A3</b> The Cause and Effect of Child Exploitation</p> <p>Sgt. David Eldridge</p>	<p><b>A4</b> Child Fatality Investigations</p> <p>Dr. Amy Hawes</p>	<p><b>A5</b> Worker Safety: "Who's Got Your Back? You do!"</p> <p>Cpl. Marlene Moore</p>	<p><b>A6</b> Emerging Drug Trends</p> <p>Courtney Pero</p>
<p><b>B1</b> Self-Regulation &amp; Learning for Victims of Trauma in Early Childhood</p> <p>Suzan Mullane</p>	<p><b>B2</b> Abusive Head Trauma</p> <p>Dr. Joan Phillips Katlyn Rake</p>	<p><b>B3</b> Drug Endangered Children</p> <p>Courtney Pero</p>	<p><b>B4</b> The Intact Hymen and Other Myths about Child Sexual Abuse</p> <p>Dr. Cathy Baldwin-Johnson</p>	<p><b>B5</b> CASA and Fostering Futures</p> <p>Kim Runyon Wilds Traci Busch</p>	<p><b>B6</b> Medication Assisted Treatment</p> <p>Dr. Rolli Sullivan</p>
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<p><b>G1</b> Yoga for Trauma</p> <p>Debra Mattingly</p>	<p><b>G2</b> Proper Use of Psychotropic Medication for Children</p> <p>Dr. Melissa Albert</p>	<p><b>G3</b> Invisible Shackles</p> <p>Trudi Blaylock &amp; Lt. Mark Davis</p>	<p><b>G4</b> Preparing Children to Testify</p> <p>Shannon Johnson</p>	<p><b>G5</b> Abuse &amp; Neglect in the Disabilities Population (Part 2)</p> <p>Scott Modell</p>	<p><b>G6</b> The Heroin Epidemic in WV</p> <p>Jan Rader</p>

# Breakout Sessions: A

Tuesday, October 11th – 1:15 pm - 2:45 pm

## A1: Trauma and Treatment

### Kristine Buffington

This session will give an overview of Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy as an effective treatment modality for in-school use in the treatment of children experiencing learning, behavioral, and relationship difficulties as a result of traumatic stress.

## A2: Bruises, Burns and Bites: Abuse or Not?

### Dr. Cathy Baldwin-Johnson

This session will review cutaneous (skin) manifestations of physical abuse. We will discuss the red flags from the medical history and exam that should increase concern for abuse, and tips to distinguish abusive injuries from accidents and medical conditions.

## A3: The Cause and Effect of Child Exploitation

### Sgt. David Eldridge

This session provides an introduction to and understanding of Internet Crimes Against Children and their impact on victims and families. Topics covered include an overview of online crimes against children, the West Virginia State Police's Crimes Against Children Unit (WVSP-CACU), the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force and resources for professionals who deal with these types of crime.

## A4: Child Fatality Investigations

### Dr. Amy Hawes

This session will include a discussion of best practices for investigation of sudden infant death. Dr. Hawes will explain the use of standardized collection tools such as the "Sudden Unexplained Infant Death Reporting Form". There will be a presentation of case studies for potential unsafe sleep environments, as well as case studies and brief discussions of common findings in child abuse and Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS).

## A5: Worker Safety: "Who's Got Your Back? You do!"

### Cpl. Marlene Moore

You are your own best defense in your own safety. This session will help you help yourself be safer in the course of doing your job when conducting home visits. Preparing for the visit is as important as what you do on site. After this session; you will have more knowledge, as well as insight and confidence in how to handle yourself and your abilities to protect yourself on and off the job.

## A6: Emerging Drug Trends

### Sgt. Courtney Pero

Attendees will be provided information on synthetic cannabinoids, synthetic cathinones, and synthetic hallucinogens. Specific drug trends, legislation, and drug slang terms from across the country will be discussed. In addition, attendees will receive information on other trends (including Butane Hash Oil and THC extraction) as well as the resurgence of Heroin, GHB and other illicit substances. This session will include information on the abuse of these substances by juveniles themselves along with the potential for more incapacitated caregivers, which could result in more ignored, abused, and abandoned children.

# Breakout Sessions: B

Tuesday, October 11th — 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

## **B1: Self-Regulation & Learning for Victims of Trauma in Early Childhood**

### **Suzan Mullane**

This message brings hope: behavioral challenges can be mitigated with corrective strategies. This session will cover how trauma changes behavior and learning, the flight, flight or freeze syndrome, trauma and attachment disorder and how sensory motor integration activities can promote healing and learning. Ms. Mullane's session will benefit teachers, principals, social workers, parents, and therapists seeking practical interventions.

## **B2: Abusive Head Trauma**

### **Dr. Joan Phillips with Katelyn Rake**

This session will go beyond the basics of “shaken baby syndrome” to explain the injury process, making the diagnosis, and key controversies in the diagnosis of abusive head trauma.

## **B3: Drug Endangered Children**

### **Sgt. Courtney Pero**

Drug Endangered Children are part of a very large and growing population of children whose lives have been seriously and negatively impacted by dangerous drugs. Ignored, abused, and abandoned—these are some of the chronic conditions experienced by children raised in environments where there is illegal drug use, manufacturing, cultivation, and distribution. This session will look at overcoming the challenges in aligning systems responsible for preventing, intervening, and treating these issues to achieve common outcomes.

## **B4: The Intact Hymen and Other Myths about Child Sexual Abuse**

### **Dr. Cathy Baldwin-Johnson**

This session will focus on dispelling common misperceptions about child sexual abuse. We will discuss the ways in which children tell us (or not) about their abuse, the how and why of exams, and what we expect to find (or not) in the medical evaluation process.

## **B5: CASA and Fostering Futures**

### **Kim Runyon Wilds and Traci Busch**

In this session, participants will gain knowledge on the Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) program and how CASA can be an important partner to professionals working on child abuse and neglect civil court cases. Presenters will discuss how CASA volunteers and staff advocate for children in “regular” CASA cases, and for older youth in CASA's Fostering Futures program.

## **B6: Medication Assisted Treatment**

### **Dr. Carl Rollynn Sullivan**

This session will focus on the disease of Opioid Use Disorder along with the medications and therapy used in successful treatment. Specifically, there will be a discussion of the history of WV's opioid epidemic and the medications buprenorphine, methadone, and naltrexone as agents to assist in recovery from active OUD.

## **C1: Law Enforcement: Trauma Informed Response**

**Chad Napier and Joyce Yedlosky**

Children are influenced by how law enforcement officers respond to them at the scene and a well-informed, sensitive response will benefit children. The session will walk attendees through an effective Law Enforcement response which includes assessing whether children have been harmed, minimizing the impact and repercussions to children who are present, and empowering children within the process as much as possible.

## **C2: The ACE Study and its Implications for Public Health in Primary Care Practice**

**Dr. Michael Brumage**

The most influential study most people have never heard about. The Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) Study has profound effects for public health and for primary care practice. This session is intended for people interested in addressing some of the most vexing problems in public health and for staff of primary care clinics to see how to implement this knowledge in a primary care setting.

## **C3: Dead Reckoning**

**Cpl. Tony Craigo, Sharon Hesse, Gail Kahle, Sarah Kingston**

Domestic violence is prevalent in families with children. Unfortunately, it can also be lethal for both adults and children. Learn about research-based indicators of domestic violence offenders that can help professionals identify offenders who are more likely to kill their family members. This session will provide a WV based model for identifying highly dangerous/potentially lethal offenders and providing a heightened response to increase safety of victims and decrease dangerousness of offenders.

## **C4: Who Knew the Lady and Gent Next Door?**

**Dr. Lawrence J. Simons**

This session will address the not so obvious and recognizable situations where offenders can exploit children. Offender characteristics, grooming, and warning signs will be explored along with interview strategies and myths about female sex offenders.

## **C5: Why Won't My Mommy Wake Up?**

**Jill MacFarlane**

Answering hard questions from children experiencing trauma or grief. In this session, we will dive into hard topics to talk to children about. Children understand and process experiences in a different way. Learn techniques to talk to them in a developmentally appropriate and supportive way, so they can begin to understand and process the experiences they have endured.

## **C6: Naloxone: The Partnership of Law Enforcement and Public Health**

**Lt. Patrick Glynn**

There is misinformation and a lack of information for the public to make an informed decision in regards to Naloxone. Lt. Glynn will discuss the partnership of law enforcement and mental health as it pertains to methods to reduce opioid fatal and non-fatal overdoses. He will examine the increase of fatal opioid overdoses throughout the country.

## D1: When Trauma Comes to School

### Kathy Szafran

This session will focus on how trauma “shows up” at school and in the classroom. What is the distinction between a triggered child and a child that is misbehaving? Children suffering from chronic stress develop behaviors that help manage their emotions, but that can also interfere with their ability to learn and function in the classroom.

## D2: Maternal Substance Abuse: The OB Perspective

### Dr. David Chaffin

This session describes the evolution of a pregnancy-related addiction epidemic, the medical responses to the problem, and the outcomes of those strategies. Lessons learned and unlearned will be shared. Warning: better ideas will be actively solicited from the audience.

## D3: Survivor’s Ink. (Part 1)

### Sgt. Talia Divita, Brian Morris, and Jennifer Kempton

This session will provide a basic education of human trafficking including the definition of: what it is/what it is not, statistics, victim identification, the manipulation tactics of traffickers, and interviewing victims of human trafficking. A victim perspective will be included to share her experience on how her childhood trauma that was left untreated made her vulnerable to falling prey to a trafficker. The survivor’s story will include her efforts at helping other victims through her organization, Survivor’s Ink.

## D4: Drug Related Deaths: Investigation, Prosecution & Review Strategies

### Patricia Daugherty

This session will equip attendees with tools to identify the source of the fatal drug, including how to “work up the chain” of distribution to target higher-level drug suppliers. Topics will include building prosecutable cases, death-scene investigation techniques, investigative court orders, cellular telephone records, interview techniques, toxicology, use of confidential informants, and strategies for presenting these cases in court. Several case studies will demonstrate how to use these tools together successfully.

## D5: Suicide Safe: Recognition and Response

### Barri Faucett & Patrick Tenney

In this session, attendees will be introduced to the most recent data concerning suicide in specific high-risk populations; critical assessment parameters of the recognition of at-risk individuals; dialogue on how to identify and refer at-risk individuals; and Apps relevant to prevention and intervention efforts for both at-risk individuals and providers. The purpose of the session is to increase the willingness and capability of participants to interact with at-risk individuals in providing for appropriate dialogue and a wide array of resources pertinent to suicide prevention and intervention and mental health promotion.

## D6: Harm Reduction Strategies

### Dr. Michael Brumage and Dr. Michael Kilkenny

Doctors Brumage and Kilkenny will discuss their two comprehensive Harm Reduction Programs for IV Drug Users. Program experiences, data, and observations will be shared. Key community partnerships will be described and the relationships between childhood trauma and addiction will be explored.

## E1: The Therapist is IN

### Felicia Bush and Megan Lyon

This session will clarify the roles of the school counselor (social worker, psychologist) and the mental health practitioner as they work together to provide trauma-informed therapeutic services in a school based setting. Proven practices, interventions, and activities will be demonstrated to facilitate immediate integration into your Handle with Care school program.

## E2: Effects of Intrauterine Substance Exposure on Newborns

### Dr. Stefan Maxwell

Infants who are exposed to substances in utero are at a significantly higher risk of experiencing serious health problems, including prematurity, low birthweight, respiratory problems, and neonatal abstinence syndrome (NAS). Dr. Maxwell will discuss the causes and symptomatology of intrauterine exposure and neonatal withdrawal. This session also will highlight: problems with accurately assessing the number of babies affected by maternal substance use; difficulties determining how much they cost the health care system; and what the State is doing to address these problems and improve care for this population.

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## E4: Investigation & Prosecution of Child Fatalities

### Maryclaire Akers

This session will focus on practical implications in both the investigative and trial processes in prosecuting child fatalities. Ms. Akers will encourage a team approach to successfully prosecute perpetrators of child abuse.

## E5: What First Responders Need to Know About Autism

### Erin Lash

Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) is a complex neurological disorder that affects the functioning of the brain and can profoundly impact how the individual interacts with the world. In this sessions participants will become familiar with the characteristics of autism, be familiar with how not to misinterpret the characteristics of autism, and be familiar with strategies to create positive encounters with individuals with autism.

## E6: A Drug Court Odyssey

### Judge Derek Swope

One Drug Court Judge's story of the triumphs, tragedies, successes, and failures, laughter, and tears, chronicling the course of a drug court from its conception through inception and on-going operation.

## **F1: Project AWARE, Safe at Home, Handle with Care**

**Jackie Payne, Lisa McMullen, Andrea Darr**

Handle with Care identifies children most at risk and alerts schools and mental health providers to respond in a trauma sensitive way. Safe at home ensures youth remain in their communities whenever safely possible by providing wrap around services to meet the child's needs. Project AWARE is working to increase mental health awareness and access to services for children, families, and communities through the Department of Education. This session will give you a better understanding of how these programs work in WV and how they are making a difference in the lives of children.

## **F2: Medical Advocacy in Child Abuse Cases in WV**

**Grace Stewart and Caitlin Smith**

This session will give an overview of the importance of medical care in child abuse cases, the circumstances and limitations of child sexual abuse medical evaluations, and the supports in place in WV to support this practice. As a head-to-toe exam, the child abuse medical evaluation is a critical opportunity to assess the child's overall health and well-being. Throughout the presentation, this holistic approach will be discussed as a cornerstone of the appropriate MDT medical response.

## **F3: Reinvest West: True Rehabilitation**

**Cpl. Errol Randle and Cheryl Chandler**

This session will highlight programs at Mt. Olive Correctional Center and the Charleston Police Department and will describe how WV is improving offender's transitions, thereby increasing public safety, reducing recidivism, and making better use of scarce resources in correctional centers and communities.

## **F4: Juvenile Justice Reform: Bringing Systems Together**

**Trudi Blaylock, Matt Rudder, Michelle Dean, Stephanie Bond and Robert L. McKinney**

Each presenter will give a brief description of services available for at-risk youth from their respective agencies and describe how systems are working together to build comprehensive interventions. The panel will discuss evidence-based and evidence informed strategies and programs. Panel members will include leaders from community-based, shelter care, DHHR, probation, drug courts and the Division of Juvenile Services.

## **F5: Abuse & Neglect in the Disabilities Population (Part 1)**

**Dr. Scott Modell**

The participants in this session will develop a broader understanding of children with disabilities as well as new strategies for effective interviewing and communicating. Video clips of real individuals with disabilities are integrated into the presentation to maximize the effectiveness of the training. (This is a two-part session.)

## **F6: Emerging Drug Trends (repeat)**

**Sgt. Courtney Pero**

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## G1: Yoga for Trauma

### Debora Mattingly

In this session you will explore firsthand how a yoga class can be adapted for people of all ages dealing with the effects of trauma. A brief discussion will inform participants about the evidence-based successes of yoga for people dealing with PTSD, whether from war experiences, chronic abuse, or accidents. A gentle yoga class will follow to allow participants to experience moving into various yoga forms guided by trauma sensitive language. Participants should wear comfortable clothing they can move in. This class will be from a chair and standing; no mats necessary. There will be no physical assists.

## G1: Judicious use of psychotropic medication in children

### Dr. Melissa Albert

With the increasing use of psychotropic medications for children and adolescents, Dr. Albert will discuss appropriate prescribing in the setting of trauma. Survivors of trauma are often instead diagnosed, with bipolar disorder, ADHD, and oppositional defiant disorder. This workshop will cover sources of “over-prescribing” including invalid diagnoses and overlooked comorbidities. These situations often create high dose, ineffective treatment. She will discuss how proper treatment works in conjunction with traditional therapeutic models.

## G3: Invisible Shackles

### Trudi Blaylock & Lt. Mark Davis

One in six endangered runaways reported to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children in 2013 were likely sex trafficking victims. Victims of child sex trafficking often do not recognize themselves as being victims and first responders often do not recognize their victimization at first glance. This session will cover risk factors, venues for trafficking, network characteristics, trafficking indicators, victim identification, and specialized interviews with potential victims. Special attention will be placed on the recruitment of child victims in juvenile facilities.

## G4: Preparing Children to Testify

### Shannon Johnson

Preparing and prosecuting cases is difficult enough without having the challenge of a child being your star witness. The competency of a child offered as a witness involves his mentality and moral maturity, having special regard to the understanding of the nature of the oath, and the consequences of false swearing, while being mindful about further trauma to the child. This segment highlights the challenges of the child witness and how to tackle those challenges.

## G5: Abuse & Neglect in the Disabilities Population (Part 2)

### Dr. Scott Modell

The participants in this session will develop a broader understanding of children with disabilities as well as new strategies for effective interviewing and communicating. Video clips of real individuals with disabilities are integrated into the presentation to maximize the effectiveness of the training. (This is a two-part session.)

## G6: The Heroin Epidemic in WV

### Jan Rader

The City of Huntington, WV, and the surrounding areas are experiencing one of the highest rates of heroin addiction in the country. In this session, you will learn how we got here. You will also learn what one community is doing to address the problem.



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### Melissa Albert, MD

Dr. Melissa Albert hails from Clarksburg, WV. She and her family have recently relocated to the Charleston area to become a part of PSIMED's team of mental health providers. She is a graduate of West Virginia University for both her undergraduate and School of Medicine degrees. Her undergraduate years focused on volunteer work with Alpha Phi Omega national service fraternity, and she was elected to the student Board of Governors. Following medical school, she completed residency training in Pediatrics at Wright State University in Dayton, OH. While there received awards in teaching. She returned to West Virginia to pursue training in psychiatry to be better equipped to help children and adolescents navigate through mental anguish and illness. She completed residency training in Psychiatry at West Virginia University and served her final year as chief resident. Now being board certified in both Psychiatry and Pediatrics, she has provided pediatric and adult psychiatric care for over 10 years. She has served as the consulting psychiatrist for the WVUH Children's Hospital for nearly five years. Most recently she comes from an outpatient clinic serving the rural population of southwestern Pennsylvania. She believes in partnering with patients and families to take a team approach to recovery.

### Maryclaire Akers

Mrs. Akers has been a practicing attorney for close to 17 years in West Virginia. Almost fifteen years of that time she has served as an Assistant and Senior Assistant Prosecutor for Kanawha County in various capacities. During that time, she also worked as a Special Assistant United States Attorney in the Southern District of West Virginia. Mrs. Akers has also represented municipalities and law enforcement as a private attorney, has served as General Counsel to the West Virginia Ethics Commission, and has worked as an Assistant Attorney General assigned to prosecute pharmaceutical companies for the flood of opioid medications which has caused widespread addiction across West Virginia. Mrs. Akers has also assisted during the investigation of many child abuse and

death cases throughout her career. She is currently assigned to the prosecution of J.R. Stricklen who is accused in the 2015 death of a toddler in South Charleston, West Virginia.

### Dianna Bailey-Miller

I am currently the State Youth MHFA Coordinator for West Virginia's Project AWARE. The goal of Project AWARE is to promote school-community partnership to connect families, schools and communities to mental health services and provide evidence-based programs for safe and supportive school and community environments. I am a certified Instructor in Youth MHFA and Adult MHFA, with special designations in Rural Communities and Higher Education. I obtained my Bachelors of Arts degree in Elementary Education from Fairmont State and served as an advocate for youth and families with Legal Aid of WV. I have worked with children and families in a variety of systems within WV over the past 12 years. My passion is working across child-serving systems/communities to ensure children and youth with behavioral health concerns have access to quality services and supports to improve overall wellbeing.

### Dr. Cathy Baldwin-Johnson

Cathy Baldwin-Johnson, M.D., F.A.A.F.P. is a board-certified family physician, life-long Alaskan, and mother of two grown children. She serves as the medical director for Alaska CARES, the Child Advocacy Center in Anchorage and a department of The Children's Hospital at Providence. As part of her duties she oversees the SCAN (Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect) Teams at Providence Alaska and Mat-Su Regional Medical Centers, and provides trainings for medical providers and multidisciplinary team members on child abuse topics. She is the co-founder and volunteer medical director of The Children's Place, a Child Advocacy Center in the Mat-Su Borough. She has served on the Alaska Children's Justice Act Task Force since its inception and as chair from 2007 – 2011; is an active member of the Alaska Maternal-Infant-Child Mortality Review Committee; and is on the board of the Alaska Children's

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Alliance. She is a 1980 graduate of the University of Washington School of Medicine and completed the Swedish Hospital Medical Center Family Practice Residency program in 1983.

## Regina Bias

Regina is a Sane-P Nurse Practitioner and nursing instructor at Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College in Logan. Ms. Bias operates the Kids First Clinic in conjunction with Logan Regional Medical Center. Ms. Bias has a 28 year career with extensive experience in multidisciplinary work and rural healthcare.

## Trudi Blaylock

Trudi Blaylock, M.A. is employed by PSIMED Corrections, LLC as the Vice President of Operations for their Juvenile Services Division. Previously, she has worked as a Coordinator of Offender Services with Counseling and Consulting Services, Inc. in Tucson, AZ. Mrs. Blaylock also worked as a Program Mentor with PSIMED Corrections, LLC for the WV Division of Corrections in the areas of Sex Offender Treatment, Anger Management, Crime Victim Awareness, and Batterers Intervention Prevention Programs. Prior to her current position, Ms. Blaylock spent seven years as a Mental Health Professional at Mt. Olive Correctional Complex providing direct services to offenders, developing and implementing group modules for sexual offending, anger control, victim awareness, stress management, conflict resolution, and sleep disorders. She assisted in the development of policies and procedures for mental health services, provided crisis intervention for cases of self-mutilation, suicidality, psychosis and/or psychological distress, and trained institutional staff about issues such as sexual offending, adolescent development, managing special populations, suicide prevention, mental health and juvenile justice, and trauma-informed care. Ms. Blaylock came to corrections with a background in community mental health services. She worked in several different capacities to include trainer/educator, treatment assistant, counselor, and case manager. Currently, Ms. Blaylock is a Clinical Member of the West Virginia Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers.

## Stephanie Bond

Stephanie Bond, M.A. was appointed acting Director of the West Virginia Division of Juvenile Services (DJS) in February 2013. She was appointed Director of DJS on July 1, 2014. Ms. Bond previously served as Superintendent of the Kenneth "Honey" Rubenstein Juvenile Center in Davis, West Virginia. Ms. Bond is a

Clarksburg native and has worked in juvenile corrections since August of 1993. She began her career as a Correctional Counselor at the former West Virginia Industrial Home for Youth (WVIHY). During her career at WVIHY, she held several positions including Unit Manager and Assistant Superintendent of Treatment and Programs before being appointed Acting Superintendent in December 2003. Ms. Bond earned a Bachelor of Science degree in criminal justice from Fairmont State College and a master's degree in counseling from West Virginia University. She serves on the Governor's Intergovernmental Task Force on Juvenile Justice and is heavily involved in West Virginia's Juvenile Justice Reform Initiative. She is an active member of the Council of Juvenile Correctional Administrators (CJCA), as well as a member of the Correctional Peace Officers Foundation and the Southern States Correctional Association. Ms. Bond resides in Kanawha County.

## Dr. Michael Brumage

Michael Brumage, M.D., M.P.H., F.A.C.P. is the Executive Director of the Kanawha-Charleston Health Department as well as Health Officer for Kanawha County and Putnam County, West Virginia. He is the Co-Chair for the nascent West Virginia ACEs Coalition. Dr. Brumage received a Bachelor of Science degree in chemistry (cum Laude) from West Virginia University in 1982 and graduated from the West Virginia University School of Medicine in 1986. He received his Master of Public Health in Epidemiology from the University of Washington in 2003. He is board certified in Internal Medicine and Preventive Medicine and is a Fellow of the American College of Physicians. He is an Assistant Clinical Professor of Medicine in the West Virginia University School of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Medicine, as well as Adjunct Faculty in the West Virginia University School of Public Health in the Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences. He is a consultant to the West Virginia University Department of Intercollegiate Athletics where he has worked with members of the WVU football team, teaching mindfulness attention training. Dr. Brumage recently retired as a Colonel after a 25-year career in the U.S. Army Medical Corps. A native of Fairmont, West Virginia, Dr. Brumage is married to Nataša, a pharmacist at Women's and Children's Hospital, and has 4 children: Maia (21), Gabriel (19), Nicholas (14), and Nina (7).

## Kristine Buffington

Kristine Buffington, M.S.W., L.I.S.W. specializes in clinical treatment of traumatized children involved in the public health, child protection, and juvenile justice

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systems. A particular focus of her work has been training professionals in best practices in trauma treatment and trauma-informed care. Over the course of her career, she has played a leading role in developing and managing initiatives to promote systemic change. Ms. Buffington served as the Chair of the Juvenile Justice Committee of the National Child Traumatic Stress Network and is currently Co-Chair of the Ohio Trauma Task Force Training subcommittee.

## Traci Busch

Traci Busch is the Executive Director of WV CASA Association. She has worked in the Child Welfare Field for 30 years. Ms. Busch has a Master's of Science in Child and Family Studies from the University of Tennessee, and a Bachelor's of Science in Family Resources from West Virginia University. She has worked with CASA in various capacities since the 1990's.

## Felicia Bush

Felicia Bush, M.A. is the founder and Executive Director of Harmony Mental Health, Inc. a private non-profit mental health and social services management agency serving children and families in Calhoun, Jackson, Kanawha, Logan, Ritchie, Wood and Wirt counties. Ms. Bush began her social justice work serving victims of domestic violence as an advocate, parent educator, legal advocate and eventually director of one of West Virginia's 14 licensed domestic violence programs. Ms. Bush earned her master's degree in counseling in 2006. As a clinician she gained specific training in Marriage and Family Therapy, School Counseling, and Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy to assist children and families exposed to traumatic stress. Ms. Bush has developed many programs including specialized groups for victims of domestic violence, a counseling program within the domestic violence agency, and West Virginia's first co-located victim services center under the banner of the Kanawha County Prosecuting Attorney's Office. Ms. Bush is a founding member and trainer for the WV Defending Childhood Initiative's Handle With Care Project. Ms. Bush is the former Chair and current Vice-Chair of West Virginians Against Violence Committee, an ad hoc committee that makes funding recommendations to the Governor for the State Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) and Victims of Crime Act (VOCA). Ms. Bush resides in Parkersburg, WV.

## Dr. David Chaffin

David Chaffin, M.D. is the director of the Maternal Addiction & Recovery Center at the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine at Marshall University. West Virginia

is facing a hidden epidemic of opiate addiction during pregnancy. Based on a study in 2009, approximately 20% of women delivering in the state have been exposed to either illicit drugs or alcohol and the rate today is even higher. Taking care of these women is challenging, and optimizing the outcomes for them and their neonates is the goal of the MARC. While methadone maintenance remains the gold standard of therapy, recent data published in the New England Journal of Medicine suggests that maintenance therapy with buprenorphine (Subutex) results in neonates that spend less time in the intensive care nursery and milder withdrawal symptoms. Access to buprenorphine therapy during pregnancy has been limited at best. In an attempt to improve access, the Department of OB/GYN at the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine at Marshall University, with the help of a generous grant from Carelink Health Plans, Inc., instituted the Maternal Addiction and Recovery Center under the direction of Dr. Chaffin and Louis Nieuwenhuizen, Psy.D., adult psychologist and addictions counselor. Opiate addicted pregnant patients will receive the highest quality pregnancy care, regular addiction counseling in both group and individual settings as well as buprenorphine maintenance therapy in one clinical location.

## Cheryl Chandler

Cheryl Chandler is the executive assistant to the Warden at Mt. Olive Correctional Complex in Fayette County WV, a position she has held since 1998. She started her career as a correctional officer at the penitentiary in Moundsville in 1994. When the penitentiary closed in 1996, she transferred to Mt. Olive and was promoted to internal investigator. Along with her many duties at the prison, she also works on reentry projects under the direction of Commissioner Rubenstein.

## Cpl. Tony Craig

Cpl. Tony Craig is a 15 year veteran of the Putnam County Sheriff's Department. Cpl. Craig currently works as the Domestic Violence Investigator for the Putnam County Sheriff's Department specializing in domestic violence investigations and also training various disciplines on the aspects of domestic violence and non-fatal strangulation. Cpl. Craig also fills in as a Batterers Intervention Prevention facilitator for the Putnam County Day Report Center. Cpl. Craig sits on the Putnam County STOP Domestic Violence Taskforce, West Virginia Medical Examiner's Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board, and is a trainer on the WV Coalition Against Domestic Violence Law Enforcement Training Team.

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## Andrea Darr

Andrea Darr is the director of the West Virginia Center for Children's Justice, which promotes and supports a statewide trauma informed response to child maltreatment and children's exposure to violence. The Center, housed in the Crimes Against Children Unit at the WV State Police, streamlines resources and minimizes duplicative efforts to address challenges, barriers, gaps and needed improvements in working child maltreatment cases. Before devoting her work full time on children's initiatives, Ms. Darr served as the Coordinator of Victim Witness Services for the West Virginia Prosecuting Attorneys Institute from 2005-2015. In that capacity she coordinated with prosecution based victim witness assistance programs as well as community based programs to improve their collective knowledge concerning available resources and information and to establish a bridge between local, state and federal agencies regarding victim issues. Ms. Darr has also worked in direct services with victims of crime, violence, and abuse while serving as the Victim Liaison at the Kanawha County Prosecuting Attorney's Office.

## Patricia Daugherty

Patricia Daugherty graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Madison Law School and worked one year in private practice before joining the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office in August 2008. During her first two years as an ADA, Ms. Daugherty prosecuted felony-level drug cases as a member of the Violent Crimes Unit. In April 2010, she was assigned to her current position as a Wisconsin High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area prosecutor. She focuses on Rx cases, large-scale homicide cases, large-scale (30+ defendant) Rx fraud rings, and institutional drug diversion cases. She also routinely trains law enforcement officers throughout the state on overdose investigations and prosecutions.

## Michelle Dean

Michelle Dean is the Youth and Adult Service program manager with Bureau for Children and Families, Office of Programs and Resource Development. She has a Bachelor's of Liberal Arts degree in counseling with a minor in sociology, and a Masters of Science degree in Human Resource Management from Marshall University. She began her career with the Bureau in 2011 as a Youth Service field worker in Lincoln County before joining the Policy team as a specialist in 2015. She became the program manager responsible for Youth Service's policy and programs in January 2016.

## Sgt. Talia Divita

Sgt. Talia Divita has been a member of the West Virginia State Police for over 13 years and is currently assigned to the West Virginia State Police's Crimes Against Children Unit as an investigator. During these 13 years, she has investigated several hundred criminal offenses. These offenses have included the trafficking of child pornography, use of minors in the production of child pornography, sexual solicitation of children via the Internet, child sexual exploitation, child sexual abuse, child sexual assault and criminal use of the Internet and computers. Sgt. Divita has completed the West Virginia State Police Cadet Training Program. She has attended specialized training courses and received education through colleges and universities including Fairmont State College (Bachelor in Criminal Justice) and Marshall University (Associate in Police Science). Sgt. Divita has been assigned to the WV ICAC (Internet Crimes Against Children) Task Force through the West Virginia State Police since 2009. This Task Force is responsible for investigating cases involving the sexual exploitation of children via the internet.

## Lt. Mark Davis

With a career spanning 30 years, Lt. Mark Davis has served with the Upshur County Sheriff's Office, starting out as a correctional officer and working up through the ranks to his current position as Lieutenant and Chief Investigator. He has worked with the Upshur / Lewis Drug Task Force, the Upshur County Child Abuse Task Force, and the West Virginia Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. Additionally, Lt. Davis has worked as a primary investigator of child abuse cases over the last two decades and is recognized by the law enforcement community and the court as a subject matter expert in that field.

## Sgt. David Eldridge

Sergeant Eldridge is 27 year veteran of law enforcement and a sworn Member of the West Virginia State Police. He is one of the founding members of the West Virginia Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force. Sergeant Eldridge is currently assigned to the West Virginia State Police Crimes Against Children Unit as an Investigator and Digital Forensics Analyst. He is also a member of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Cyber Crimes Task Force. Sergeant Eldridge has been involved in numerous high profile child sexual exploitation investigations resulting in successful State and Federal prosecutions. He is recognized as an expert in online investigations and digital forensics by State and Federal

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Courts. Sergeant Eldridge instructs throughout the State on Internet investigations and digital forensics.

## Barrie Faucett

Barri Faucett, M.A. received her Master of Arts degree in clinical psychology from Marshall University in 2003. Currently serving as the Director of Prevent Suicide WV, as well as West Virginia's Suicide Prevention and Intervention project, Mrs. Faucett oversees and implements directives designed to address suicide prevention and intervention for all West Virginians. Her work involves facilitation, monitoring and evaluation of suicide prevention efforts throughout the state. Her clinical experience includes direct service in intensive outpatient programs related to children and adolescents with mental health and substance abuse issues, covering a broad array of diagnoses. Mrs. Faucett is a Master Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR), safeTALK, Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST), and Youth Mental Health First Aid Trainer, providing trainings for over 10,000 professionals, consumers, and community members for increased awareness and efficient referral intervention procedures for at risk individuals.

## Dr. Vincent Felitti

Vincent J. Felitti, M.D. is co-Principal Investigator of the Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) Study, ongoing collaborative research between Kaiser Permanente and the Centers for Disease Control. A 1962 graduate of Johns Hopkins Medical School, Dr. Felitti is an internist with a background in infectious disease; he founded the Department of Preventive Medicine for Kaiser Permanente in San Diego, California in 1975 and served as Chief of Preventive Medicine until 2001. Under Dr. Felitti's leadership, the Health Appraisal Division of the department became the largest, single-site, medical evaluation facility in the world, providing comprehensive, biopsychosocial medical evaluation to a total of 1.3 million individual adults. During his career, he developed major health-risk abatement programs for obesity, smoking cessation, the genetic disease Hemochromatosis, and somatization disorders. These programs are provided to over 1,000 patients per month in San Diego. Dr. Felitti is Clinical Professor of Medicine at the University of California and a Fellow of The American College of Physicians.

## Lt. Patrick Glynn

Lieutenant Patrick Glynn is head of the Quincy, Massachusetts Police Department's Narcotics Unit. Lieutenant Glynn spearheaded the Quincy Narcan

program that is now being replicated in police departments across the country. In 2013 he was named one of seven "Advocates for Action" from across the country by the Office of National Drug Control Policy. He was also awarded the 2014 Gary P. Hayes Memorial Award, given every year to a police officer who shows leadership and innovation to improve U.S. policies.

## Sharon Hesse

Sharon Zeck Hesse is a Health & Human Resources Specialist, Senior with the WV Department of Health and Human Resources, Bureau for Children and Families. Sharon received a master's degree in social work from West Virginia University. She is a state-wide trainer for child protective service and youth service workers and supervisors. She writes curriculum and trains in areas of child welfare with an emphasis on child abuse/neglect, domestic violence, and delinquency, as well as ethics, safety, foster care, multi-disciplinary treatment, etc. In addition, she trains providers, law enforcement, victim advocates, and community members.

## Dr. Amy McMaster Hawes

Dr. Amy McMaster Hawes is currently an Assistant Medical Examiner at the Regional Forensic Center in Knoxville, TN. She is the former Chief Medical Examiner of the Middle Tennessee Regional Forensic Center in Nashville, TN and former Deputy State Medical Examiner for Tennessee. She has 16 years' experience in Forensic Pathology and is board certified by the American Board of Pathology in Anatomic, Clinical, and Forensic Pathology. Dr. Hawes is an invited speaker to many law enforcement and death investigation seminars and training throughout the country. Her areas of special focus include investigation of sudden infant death and drug overdose deaths.

## Shannon Johnson

Mrs. Johnson is a 2002 graduate from the West Virginia University College of Law. She served two years as a Circuit Court Law Clerk before becoming an assistant prosecutor in Randolph County for seven and 1/2 years. Mrs. Johnson was the Young Lawyer of the Year in 2008. Mrs. Johnson was elected Prosecutor for Calhoun County, West Virginia, and has served in that position since 2013.

## Gail Kahle

Gail Kahle is an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney in the Ohio County Prosecuting Attorney's Office in Wheeling, WV. He has been the designated Domestic Violence

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Prosecutor since 2003. In this capacity, he has extensive experience helping victims of domestic violence, rape, child abuse, and survivors of murder victims. He has successfully prosecuted criminals charged with murder, rape, child molestation, child pornography, and hundreds of domestic violence misdemeanors. Additionally Mr. Kahle has prosecuted all cases of juvenile delinquency since July of 2006. Mr. Kahle received his bachelor's degree from West Liberty State College in 1987 and graduated from WV University College of Law in 1992.

## Jennifer Kempton

A true survivor of human trafficking, Jennifer Kempton uses her experience to promote awareness of the issue and to advocate for social change. During her time on the streets, she was formally branded and sold by her abusers. After she gained her freedom, these brands became constant reminders of the abuse. Then, she received the gift of a cover-up tattoo. The feeling of liberation she experienced through that first de-branding inspired her to start Survivor's Ink. Survivor's Ink provides cover-up tattoos/removals to survivors of human trafficking, as well as ongoing assistance with connection to resources to support survivors to rebuild their lives. Through consistent street outreach to currently enslaved individuals, Survivor's Ink has provided placement assistance and other options to help them reclaim their lives. Additionally, Ms. Kempton personally conducts prevention and victim identification training to increase awareness and affect change.

## Dr. Michael Kilkenny

Dr. Michael Kilkenny received his M.D. from the Marshall University School of Medicine and holds a master's degree in community health from Marshall University in Huntington, WV. Board Certified in Family Practice, he has worked in academic, hospital, and private practice settings. He has 16 years' experience as a medical director in the Community Health Center system, and is currently the Physician Director of the Cabell-Huntington Health Department serving Cabell County and the city of Huntington, WV. Dr. Kilkenny was instrumental in the development of West Virginia's first local health sponsored harm reduction and syringe exchange program in 2015.

## Sarah Kingston

Sarah Kingston is a Certified Victim Advocate for the Kanawha County Sheriff's Office. Formerly a community based advocate with Branches, Inc., she continues to provide support to victims and their families

while helping to ensure their safety and recovery. She is a member of the Kanawha County STOP Team. In 2009, Ms. Kingston received the Diane Reese Advocacy Award from the West Virginia Coalition Against Domestic Violence. From 2009 to 2012 she served on the Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team. While chairing the Putnam County STOP Team, the team received the United States Department of Justice U.S. Attorney Southern District of West Virginia Award for Public Service. In 2015, Sarah received the Purple Ribbon Award from the West Virginia Coalition Against Domestic Violence as part of the Law Enforcement Training Faculty.

## Erin Lash

Erin Lash is a Program Coordinator, Sr. for the West Virginia Autism Training Center at Marshall University. She began her career as a public school Speech/Language Pathologist. Ms. Lash has worked in the field of special needs for 30 years and has a strong commitment to individuals with special learning needs. She has presented both at the state and national levels.

## Megan Lyon

Megan Lyon served for eight years as an elementary teacher before obtaining her M.A. in Counseling at Marshall University Graduate College and serving for 12 years as a school counselor within Kanawha County Schools. She has much experience working with traumatized children throughout her career in the school system, and training and educating parents and staff on the effects of trauma to the brain and best practices for managing trauma symptoms and aiding in the healing process. She currently runs her own wellness practice, Inner Path, where she works with individuals and groups to promote mindfulness, meditation, and other personal growth tools to increase overall well-being. Additionally, Ms. Lyon volunteers to serve with the Defending Childhood Handle with Care Initiative as a means to continue support for children affected by trauma.

## Jill MacFarlane

Jill Macfarlane is Program Director at The Sharing Place, a grief support program for children and their families in Salt Lake City, UT. Ms. MacFarlane also facilitates several grief support groups and has been with The Sharing Place since 2002. Ms. MacFarlane received her bachelor's from the University of Utah in 2002 in family and human development and spent the first part of her

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career in the healthcare industry as a Child Life Specialist in the Pediatric Dialysis and Kidney Transplant program.

## Debora Mattingly

Debora Mattingly is a physical therapist and Registered Yoga Teacher. She completed her 200- hour yoga training through Integrative Yoga Therapy in 2003. Her specialty training includes Yoga for the Special Needs Child, Yoga 4 Teens, Yoga Ed, Adapting Yoga for Disability, and most recently completed a 40 hour training in Trauma Sensitive Yoga. Ms. Mattingly has been involved with bringing yoga to children in the Kanawha County school system since 2004. Her passion is introducing yoga to populations living with challenges as a tool to building self-esteem and coping mechanisms.

## Dr. Stefan Maxwell

Dr. Stefan R. Maxwell is a native Jamaican, attended York Castle High School and the University of the West Indies, Mona, graduating with BSc Honors in Chemistry and Applied Chemistry in 1971. He re-entered medical school at the University in 1972, graduating in 1977 (MB, BS) and did his internship in Pediatrics at UWI (Mona) and Surgery/Pediatric Surgery at UWI (Port-of-Spain). He then migrated to the USA and continued his postgraduate training in Pediatrics, Pulmonology and Neonatal-Perinatal medicine at the University of Miami. He is certified by the American Board of Pediatrics, is certified in Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine, and is a Fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics. He was a founding member of PEDIATRIX Medical Group, and after working as a neonatologist and pediatric intensivist in South Florida for several years he moved to Charleston, West Virginia in 1990. He has served the mothers and babies at CAMC, Women and Children's Hospital in Charleston as Chief of Pediatrics and Medical Director of the NICU for over 25 years. Dr. Maxwell has served on the West Virginia Perinatal Partnership Central Advisory Council since 2006, providing leadership as Chair of the Central Advisory Council since 2013 and Chair of the Committee on Substance Use During Pregnancy for over 9 years. He is a member of the Governor's Advisory Council on Substance Abuse since its inception in 2010. He has been important to the Partnership's successes in policy improvement for the care of mothers and babies. He still works a full schedule in the newborn intensive care unit and has no plans for retirement at this time.

## Robert L. McKinney

Rob McKinney attended Marshall University where he was a member of the Society of Yeager Scholars and graduated *Cum Laude* in 1992, receiving a B.A. degree in

political science. Rob then attended Wake Forest University School of Law and graduated in 1995. He then returned to West Virginia to begin his practice. Mr. McKinney has practiced law since 1995. Mr. McKinney joined the Division of Probation Services at the West Virginia Supreme Court's Administrative Office in 2012. As Counsel to the Division, he has assisted with writing grant applications, particularly for Drug Court programs, advises the Division on Constitutional and statutory legal matters, and works closely with the Deputy Director for Drug Courts on various adult and juvenile drug court programming issues.

## Lisa McMullen

Lisa McMullen is the Project Director for Safe at Home West Virginia. Safe at Home West Virginia is West Virginia's Federal IV-E Demonstration Project. Ms. McMullen has worked as a civil servant in child and adult welfare for over 25 years. During her career, Ms. McMullen has held positions as a CPS worker, CPS Supervisor, Social Services Program Manager, BCF Regional Director and currently as the Project Director for Safe at Home WV. Ms. McMullen has been married to her husband Ray for over 36 years, they have two daughters and she would be more than happy to show you pictures of her two beautiful grandchildren.

## Dr. Scott Modell

Dr. Scott J. Modell is the Deputy Commissioner for the Tennessee Department of Children's Services overseeing the Office of Child Safety. Most recently he served as the Deputy Commissioner for the Tennessee Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. Prior to moving to Tennessee, Dr. Modell spent 15 years as a Professor at California State University, Sacramento. Over the last five years, he also served as Director of the university's Autism Center for Excellence. Dr. Modell is an expert in child abuse, crime victims with disabilities, disability etiology and interview techniques. He has authored eight books and has more than 250 published articles and abstracts.

## Cpl. Marlene Moore

Marlene Moore is a Corporal for the WV State Police where she has served proudly for 13 years. For the last six years she has been with the Crimes against Children Unit investigating child abuse, neglect and exploitation. She serves on various multi-disciplinary teams throughout her area of responsibility and serves on the WV Child Fatality Review Team. Prior to becoming a Law Enforcement Officer, Corporal Moore worked for Kanawha County Schools.

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## Brian Morris

Brian Morris is a Special Agent with United States Department of Homeland Security Investigations assigned to Charleston, WV. He received both bachelor's and associate degrees from Marshall University which earned him a position with the West Virginia State Police. Agent Morris served nine years as a West Virginia State Trooper working various undercover assignments that lead to him receiving an award for Public Service by the United States Attorney's Office. After working long term narcotics investigations, Agent Morris wanted to change career paths and accepted a position with United States Secret Service. While working as a Secret Service Agent, Agent Morris worked numerous fraud investigations pertaining to Counterfeiting, Mortgage, Wire, and Credit Card fraud. After working five years as a Secret Service Agent, Agent Morris transferred from Secret Service to Homeland Security Investigations in Charleston, WV. Since joining Homeland Security Investigations, Agent Morris has rescued numerous victims of sexual assault and/or human trafficking, and served as the lead case Agent in a multitude of international money laundering investigations.

## Suzan Mullane

Suzan Mullane, M.S. Ed., is a Research Associate at the Center for Educational Improvement and Yale Medical School's C8 Science Program. Ms. Mullane is also an Adjunct Professor at the University of Anchorage Alaska and a Consultant for Cabell County Schools. She is an expert on trauma and the brain as it relates to attachment disorder, children of incarcerated parents, learning and self-regulation. As a former BP Teacher of Excellence with over 25 years of teaching/counseling experience (K-12), Ms. Mullane has given workshops across the United States and India. As a foster child with roots in WV, Ms. Mullane is committed to assisting WV's initiative to identify children suffering from trauma and promoting healing and learning in and out of the classroom; her MRI slides depict the neurological manifestations of trauma in early childhood.

## Chad Napier

Chad Napier is the Prevention Coordination for Appalachia HIDTA (High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area) for West Virginia and Virginia. He started this position November 1, 2015. Prior to this position, he spent twenty years in law enforcement and retired on October 30, 2015. He began his career in 1995 with the Boone County Sheriff's Department. He moved to the Charleston Police Department (CPD) in 1997 and from

then until 2000, he was assigned to the CPD Street Crimes Unit with the primary duties of investigation, arrest and prosecution of street level drug dealers. From November of 2000 to September of 2002, he was assigned as a detective with the Metropolitan Drug Enforcement Network Team (MDENT) with the primary duties of investigation and prosecution of state and federal drug violations. In 2002 he was assigned as a Task Force Officer with the Drug Enforcement Administration in Charleston, WV and remained until 2005. From 2005 to January of 2006, he was assigned to MDENT as a supervisor. His primary duty with MDENT was the supervision of drug unit investigators and investigations. In January of 2006, he was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant and was assigned to the CPD Patrol Division as a shift commander. After graduating the FBI National Academy in September of 2007, he was transferred to the Housing Division as the commander. On March 2, 2009 he was appointed as the Commander of the Metropolitan Drug Enforcement Network Team (MDENT). Mr. Napier has worked on hundreds of drug related arrests and drug violations. He has also been declared as an expert witness in illegal drug possession and distribution in many state and federal courts.

## Jackie Payne

Jackie Payne is the State Coordinator of WV AWARE at the WV Autism Training Center at Marshall University. Ms. Payne received a bachelor's degree in social work from Marshall University and a Master's in Social Work from West Virginia University. She has over 27 years' experience in behavioral health serving children and adults with mental health and intellectual/developmental disabilities and their families. Her experience in both the private and public behavioral health sectors range from direct services to clinical and leadership positions. She has demonstrated a long standing partnership with a multitude of child-serving agencies to develop and expand access to school based mental health services providing leadership, guidance and technical assistance. Ms. Payne has extensive knowledge of WV's behavioral health system and experience working collaboratively across child-serving systems/agencies to increase workforce capacity and improve community based services and supports for children and adolescents with behavioral health needs and their families. Ms. Payne is a Certified Youth and Adult Mental Health First Aid Instructor.

## Sgt. Courtney Pero

Sergeant Courtney Pero is a twenty-year veteran of the Plano (TX) Police Department. He is presently assigned

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to the Criminal Investigative Services Division, where he supervises the day-to-day operations of the Narcotics Unit, which is composed of undercover and non-undercover investigators. Sergeant Pero holds a Master Peace Officer License and an instructor certificate from the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE). He is a graduate of the School of Police Supervision at The Institute for Law Enforcement Administration (ILEA) and is an instructor in the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) Leadership in Police Organizations (LPO) program. Sergeant Pero has been active with the Texas Alliance for Drug Endangered Children (Texas DEC) since its inception and was involved in the creation of the Texas DEC protocols for law enforcement, CPS and medical personnel. He is a certified trainer for the National Alliance for Drug Endangered Children, a member of the National DEC State Leaders network and the National DEC Criminal Justice Working group. He has been awarded the Agent of Change award by the Council on Alcohol & Drug Abuse and has presented training on a numerous topics to professionals from various disciplines across the country.

## Dr. Joan Phillips

Joan Phillips, M.D., F.A.A.P. is a Board Certified Child Abuse Pediatrician. She is Co-Medical Director of the Women and Children's Hospital CAC. She is an Associate Clinical Professor for West Virginia University. She currently serves on the WV Child Fatality Review Team and is a member of the WV Sexual Assault Forensic Evaluation Commission. Dr. Phillips has been actively working with WVCAN on a medical initiative to expand child abuse medical evaluation services across WV. As a certified facilitator of Darkness to Light, Dr. Phillips teaches child sexual abuse prevention to the community. She was also instrumental in the implementation of the Period of PURPLE Crying in WV for the prevention of abusive head trauma. In 2012, Dr. Phillips was awarded the national Ray E. Helfer MD Award by the National Alliance of Children's Trust and Prevention Funds and the American Academy of Pediatrics for her work in the field of child abuse prevention.

## Deputy Chief Jan Rader

A native of Ironton, Ohio, Jan Rader joined the Huntington Fire Department in August of 1994. She holds an associate degree in fire science from Marshall University and an associate degree of science in nursing from Ohio University. Deputy Chief Rader holds many fire service certification and is also a Fire and EMS Instructor in the State of West Virginia. Since November

of 2014, Deputy Chief Rader has been serving as a member of the Mayor's Office of Drug Control Policy. The purpose of this task force is to address drug addiction in Huntington and the surrounding communities and create a holistic approach involving prevention, treatment, and law enforcement.

## Katlyn Rake

Katlyn Rake is a 19 year old resident of Marietta, Ohio. She currently attends Washington State Community College and plans to transfer to Ohio University in the spring of 2018 to study Psychology. Ms. Rake is a survivor of Shaken Baby Syndrome, a child abuse prevention advocate, and an ambassador for Stomp the Stigma mental health support group.

## Matt Rudder

Matt Rudder is the Chief Executive Officer of Genesis Youth Crisis Center, Inc., an organization that provides Emergency Shelter, foster care and community based services to children and families of WV. He has worked at Genesis for 19 years starting out as a part time child care worker and eventually becoming the organization's Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Rudder currently serves on several local boards throughout WV and has been recognized by the Department of Justice, receiving the FBI Director's Community Leadership Award. Raised in Doddridge County, West Virginia, Mr. Rudder now lives with his wife and four children in Harrison County, West Virginia. Mr. Rudder completed his BA in 2006 from Mountain State University and completed his M.S. in 2008 from Mountain State University.

## Kim Runyon-Wilds

Kim Runyon Wilds, M.S.W., M.S., L.G.S.W. is the Program Director for Western Regional CASA, a program of TEAM for West Virginia Children. She has an M.S.W. from West Virginia University and a Master of Science in criminal justice from Marshall University.

## Dr. Lawrence J. Simons

Lawrence J. Simon, Psy.D., President of LJS Training and Consulting Group is the author of the book "Murder by Numbers: Perspectives on Serial Sexual Violence" For over a decade he has devoted his services to law enforcement, legal and forensic professionals throughout the country and is recognized as one of the most knowledgeable, skilled and respected instructors on this very challenging subject. He has been a keynote speaker at major national and state-sponsored conferences across

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the United States and Canada. Dr. Simon is also widely known for maintaining long-lasting professional relationships with his clientele and has been consistent in his delivery of fantastic and innovative presentations. Dr. Simon is recognized by the American Board of Sexology as a diplomat and certified as a Sexologist. He earned his doctorate degree in clinical psychology specializing in Forensic psychology from an APA accredited institution graduating in 2007. He is regularly requested by law enforcement and legal staff to serve as a consultant on numerous cases involving crimes of a sexual and explicit nature, including cold case serial homicides. He's appeared on CNN discussing his research and the minds of serial murderers. Dr. Simon has spent most of his professional years employed within corrections where he's interviewed, treated, and assessed some of the most dangerous inmates in the country, including inmates housed on death row. Dr. Simon's latest book titled *Mortal Desire* is expected to be released in the winter of 2017, highlighting the spectrums of sexual deviant pathology while analyzing and interpreting true accounts and disturbing viewpoints behind their violent crimes from some of the most sinister men behind bars.

## Caitlin Smith

Caitlin Smith came to WV Child Advocacy Network (WVCAN) as an AmeriCorps VISTA (Volunteers In Service to America) in 2011. As a West Virginia native drawn to protect its next generation, she stayed on to direct WVCAN's medical initiative, WV-CHAMP, improving the state's medical response to child abuse. Now, as the Program Services Specialist, Ms. Smith's leadership ranges from heading up WV-CHAMP to staffing special projects and training. Her passion for using research, data, and partner collaboration to improve the care for children and their families is powerful and changing the way we operate for good.

## Dr. Carl Rollynn Sullivan

Carl R. Sullivan, M.D., F.A.C.P., F.A.P.A. (Rolly) is professor and vice-chair with the Department of Behavioral Medicine and Psychiatry at West Virginia University School of Medicine. He serves as Medical Director of Substance Abuse Programs for West Virginia University Hospitals, Inc. He is board certified in psychiatry, internal medicine, and addiction psychiatry. He is a fellow in the American College of Physicians and in 2008 was elected to the American College of Psychiatrists. In 2011 he was invited by Governor Tomblin to serve on the Governor's Advisory Council on Substance Abuse (GACSA) regarding addiction policy in the State of West Virginia. Dr. Sullivan also serves on the Board of Directors of the WV Physician Health Program.

Dr. Sullivan's practice of 31 years includes teaching, clinical work, and research in several areas of addiction medicine. He directs the largest office-based opioid treatment clinic in West Virginia. He has participated in more than two-dozen smoking cessation clinical trials. He has served as Director of the West Virginia Addiction Training Institute for 27 years. Dr. Sullivan has presented numerous workshops and keynote sessions and consulted with treatment programs internationally, nationally, and statewide on the subject of substance abuse. He has testified before the House of Representatives Appropriations Sub-Committee on prescription opioid abuse in Appalachia. At the SAMHSA/NIDA 2014 Buprenorphine Summit he presented on Access to Buprenorphine: Patient Capacity and Quality of Care.

## Judge Derek Swope

Derek C. Swope was born in Baltimore, Maryland, in 1953. He is a 1975 graduate of the College of William & Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia, and a 1978 graduate of the Washington & Lee School of Law in Lexington, Virginia. He began the practice of law in June of 1978 with the Princeton, West Virginia law firm of Sanders & Austin, where he practiced for over 22 years, most of which was in the partnership of Sanders, Austin, Swope & Flanigan. He served as an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney under then Prosecuting Attorney, David W. Knight, from 1983 to 1988. He also served as Prosecuting Attorney for the City of Princeton, West Virginia, from February, 1989 to March, 1993. He served as Municipal Court Judge for the City of Bluefield, West Virginia, from 1992 through 1998. In 2000 he was elected to serve as Judge of Division 1 of the 9th Judicial Circuit and assumed that office on January 1, 2001. He was re-elected to serve in that position in 2008 and in 2016. He is a past President of the West Virginia Judicial Association. Judge Swope retired as a Colonel from the West Virginia Army National Guard, having received his commission from the College of William & Mary ROTC in 1975. He is married to Anna Johnson Swope and has two children, Stuart, a graduate of Marshall University and a West Virginia State Trooper, and Mark, a graduate of the Virginia Military Institute and Norwich University. He is the son of Norma Swope and the late Norman Swope. He attends Trinity United Methodist Church in Bluefield, West Virginia. He is a paid-up-for-life member of the Riley-Vest Post, American Legion, of Bluefield, West Virginia.

## Kathy Szafran

Kathy F. Szafran, M.A., L.P.C. is the President and CEO of Crittenton Services of West Virginia. She has over 30 years of experience in behavioral health, with roles encompassing senior level administration and therapeutic

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practice. Ms. Szafran has served West Virginia, participating in many state-wide initiatives and with a variety of appointments including the Comprehensive Behavioral Health Advisory Board and the “home team” for the National Governors Association Three Branch Institute on Child Social & Emotional Wellbeing. She has presented at Congressional briefings related to gender response and trauma focused care for marginalized girls. She is a national presenter and teacher. Under her leadership, Ms. Szafran has integrated cutting edge trauma treatment practice into residential and community-based health service at Crittenton. She is the past president of the WV Child Care Association, a reviewer for the Council on Accreditation, and an active advocate with the National Crittenton Foundation. She has received the Commissioner’s Award from the US Department of Health & Human Services, Committee on Sexual Abuse. Ms. Szafran earned her master’s at WVU. She recently completed the Multi-System Integration Program from the Center for Juvenile Justice Reform at Georgetown University.

## Patrick Tenney

Patrick Tenney serves as Northern Regional Director for Prevent Suicide WV, a position that he has held since October 2014. Prior to this Mr. Tenney worked for the WV Council for the Prevention of Suicide as the Suicide Prevention Coordinator, a position that he held for eight years. Mr. Tenney has worked for Valley Healthcare System in Morgantown, WV for twelve years in the areas of crisis intervention, supported employment, and mental health community support programs, where he supervised five programs with a staff of 20 health care assistants. Mr. Tenney is a certified MANDT instructor and is a member of the Valley HealthCare System mobile crisis team. He is certified in Group and Individual Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM). He also received a certification in the National Police Suicide Foundation’s Police Suicide Prevention Train the Trainer Program, and is a certified QPR (Question Persuade and Refer) instructor. Mr. Tenney is also a certified Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST) master instructor, which is an evidence based practice that was developed by Living Works Inc. Mr. Tenney is also a member of the BHHF Disaster Response Program, and received a classification of level 3 in 2011. Mr. Tenney received his Bachelor of Arts degree in sociology from West Virginia University in 2002.

## Mark Yarbrough

Mark Yarbrough was born in Austin, Texas, and has resided in Texas his entire life. He and his wife Jerry were high school sweethearts, and have been married for

over 29 years. They have two children, Alex and Ashley. Mr. Yarbrough attended undergraduate school at Abilene Christian University, earning his bachelor’s degree in finance. After graduating, Mr. Yarbrough worked for Dallas Federal/Bright Banc Savings as a loan counselor, personal banker and branch manager. While raising a family, Mr. Yarbrough then went to law school at Texas Tech School of Law. Upon his graduation, Mr. Yarbrough went to work in his father’s law office. Mr. Yarbrough jokingly called the firm Yarbrough & Father. In 1993, Mr. Yarbrough was elected as the County & District Attorney of Lamb County, Texas. He has since been re-elected to serve a total of five terms, or 20 years. There, he has prosecuted sex offenders, capital murderers, and various other defendants. Also in 1993, Mr. Yarbrough was certified to teach the Walk Thru the Bible Old Testament seminars. In his spare time, Mr. Yarbrough enjoys playing basketball and golf, and vacationing on the beaches of the Caribbean.

## Joyce Yedlosky

Joyce Yedlosky is one of two Team Coordinators with the WV Coalition Against Domestic Violence. Ms. Yedlosky has 25 years of advocacy experience that includes institutional and community mental health, foster care social work, foster parent, and domestic violence advocacy. Her domestic violence advocacy has included direct service provision in a shelter based domestic violence program, court advocacy, and shelter management. In 1999 she transitioned into systems advocacy with the West Virginia Coalition Against Domestic Violence where she coordinated statewide, multidisciplinary development of policy, training, practice, and systemic intervention on families experiencing domestic violence. Ms. Yedlosky has provided numerous state and national trainings with partners including the WV Department of Health and Human Resources, the WV Supreme Court Improvement Project, WV Children’s Law Symposium, WVU College of Law, National Summit on the Intersection of Domestic Violence and Child Victimization, the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence, the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, and the Office on Violence Against Women. Ms. Yedlosky earned a BS in Psychology from the University of South Carolina and lives in Fairmont, WV.



# WEST VIRGINIA CENTER FOR CHILDREN'S JUSTICE

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WV Center for Children's Justice is pleased to offer the 2016 Extra Mile Award to recognize the contribution of professionals who demonstrate excellence in the collaborative approach to protecting children from the devastating impact of child abuse and neglect.

The Extra Mile Award is based on the mission of the WV Center for Children's Justice, which states that “child abuse and neglect are community problems requiring community solutions.” The WV Center for Children's Justice, a multi-disciplinary body of public and private agencies and individuals, is committed to the protection of children. Our mission is to identify barriers to the successful resolution of child abuse and neglect issues and to educate and advocate for change.”

The Extra Mile Award is intended to recognize professionals who have made a significant positive contribution in the field of child abuse and neglect and have gone the “extra mile” on behalf of abused and neglected children. Nominees for the 2014 Extra Mile Award may be involved in providing direct services, management or administration.

### Selection Criteria include:

- ◆ Professional excellence in the nominee’s field of work contributing to the safety and wellbeing of children who have been victims of abuse or neglect.
- ◆ Demonstration of outstanding professional qualities in working collaboratively with colleagues from a variety of disciplines, in a multidisciplinary team or other setting, to improve the community’s response to child abuse and neglect.

**Please send completed nomination form to:** Tracy Dorsey-Chapman  
Email: [Tracy.Chapman@usdoj.gov](mailto:Tracy.Chapman@usdoj.gov)  
Phone: 304-345-2200 Fax: 304-347-5707

**Please complete the entire form.** Nominations should be submitted in writing, preferably typed. Deadline for submission is September 26, 2016. Failure to complete any portion of this form may result in disqualification of the nominee.

**Award notification:** Award recipients, along with the nominator, will be notified by October 3rd. Recipients of the 2016 Extra Mile Award will be recognized during the Awards Luncheon at the 2016 WV Center for Children's Justice Handle with Care Conference, on October 12th at the Civic Center in Charleston, WV.



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## **Information about Nominee**

Name of Nominee:

Title:

Agency or Organization:

Mailing Address:

City/State/Zip:

Phone number:

Email Address:

## **Information about Nominator**

Name:

Title:

Agency or Organization:

Mailing Address:

City/State/Zip:

Phone number:

Email Address:

## **Instructions for narrative (attach a separate page)**

Please answer all questions. Narratives over 400 words will not be considered.

1. How has the nominee gone the extra mile for children who have experience abuse or neglect?
2. What enhancements of multidisciplinary investigative team or collaborative functioning can be attributed to the nominee?
3. Is there anything else you would like the award selection committee to know about this candidate?

## **Professional References (attach a separate page)**

Please provide **two** additional professional references for the nominee. References should be familiar with the nominee's collaborative activities related to protecting children from the impact of child abuse and/or neglect. Include the following information:

Name:

Title:

Agency or Organization:

Mailing Address:

City/State/Zip

Phone number

Email Address:



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## CONFERENCE LOCATION



### Charleston Civic Center

#### Directions:

**From I-64 East:** Take the Virginia Street Exit on 1-64, Exit 58B, stay to the right and the exit will feed you onto

Virginia Street. Stay in the left lane, turn left onto Civic Center Drive. Go to the right lane and you will go directly to the Civic Center Parking Garage.

**From I-77 to I-64 West:** On 1-64 or 1-77 take Exit 58C, Washington Street and Civic Center Drive exit. Continue straight on Pennsylvania Avenue to Virginia Street, turning left and crossing the Elk River Bridge. Turn left on Civic Center Drive and left again on Quarrier Street. immediately on the right will be the Civic Center Parking Garage.

## PARKING

**The Civic Center:** There is plenty of parking at the Civic Center at a cost of \$3 a day.

**The Town Center Mall:** You can park at the Town Center Mall for \$1.75 a day. Exit from the mall at the Sears/Macy's end and walk across the street to the Civic Center.

## HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS



### Marriott Town Center

The Marriott is holding a block of rooms at the state rate. Call 304-345-6500 or 800-228-9290 and ask for the "Handle with Care" room block. The rooms are \$107 per night. **You must book by September 20, 2016 to receive the reduced rate.**

### Courtyard by Marriott



The Courtyard by Marriott is also holding a block of rooms.

Call 304-344-5777 and ask for the "Handle with Care" The rooms are \$107 per night.

**You must book by September 20, 2016 to receive the reduced rate.**

#### **Other Hotels:**

Embassy Suites: 304-347-8700

Hampton Inn: 304-343-9300 / 800-426-7866

## CONTINUING EDUCATION

Continuing Education Units (CEUs) will be requested for law enforcement, attorneys, social workers, nurses, licensed professional counselors, addiction and prevention professionals, and domestic violence advocates.

## 2016 West Virginia Center for Children's Justice Handle with Care Conference

October 11-13, 2016, Charleston Civic Center

To register online with a credit card go to: <http://go.wv.gov/handlewithcare>

To register with a check please complete this registration form using the name/title/agency as it is to appear on the attendance certificate.

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<b>Agency:</b>	
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<b>Phone:</b>	<b>County:</b>
<b>Email:</b> (receipt/confirmation will be sent via email, please print clearly)	
<b>Profession:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Attorney <input type="checkbox"/> CAC <input type="checkbox"/> CASA <input type="checkbox"/> Child Welfare <input type="checkbox"/> Clergy <input type="checkbox"/> Corrections <input type="checkbox"/> Courts <input type="checkbox"/> DV Advocates <input type="checkbox"/> Education <input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement <input type="checkbox"/> Medical <input type="checkbox"/> Prevention <input type="checkbox"/> Probation/Parole <input type="checkbox"/> Public Health <input type="checkbox"/> Social Work <input type="checkbox"/> Treatment <input type="checkbox"/> Victim Assistance <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
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**Registration & Payments:** The registration fee is \$150.  
After September 30th the late registration fee will be \$185.

**Make checks payable to "WV State Police"**  
Mail completed registration form and payment to:

**2016 West Virginia Center for Children's Justice  
Handle with Care Conference  
c/o Lisa Carmelia  
WV State Police Academy, PDC  
123 Academy Drive  
Dunbar, WV 25064**

**Questions?** For questions or concerns about the registration process, please contact Lisa Carmelia at (304) 766-5881 or via email at [lisa.w.carmelia@wvsp.gov](mailto:lisa.w.carmelia@wvsp.gov)

**Cancellations:** No refunds will be given for "no shows" or cancellations. If you must cancel your conference registration, please contact Lisa immediately. Registration fees are NON-REFUNDABLE, but may be transferred to another individual within your agency.