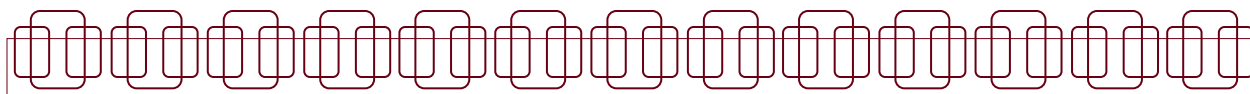


**The New York State
Chapter of American
Professional Society on the Abuse of Children
*Presents***

The 2011/2012 Child Abuse Workshop Series

**Co-Sponsored by
The New York Foundling
Vincent J. Fontana Center for
Child Protection**

**Villano Conference Center
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New York, New York 10014
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Workshops

1. Preventing Foster Home Disruption: A Programmatic Approach

This workshop is for mental health clinicians, case planners, supervisors and administrators working in the child welfare system. The workshop will identify the risk factors that contribute to foster home disruption and describe clinical and social service interventions designed to stabilize the foster home and prevent disruption of the foster home.

Date/Time: October 24, 2011 10:00am to 11:30am

Workshop Leader: Mel Schneiderman, Ph.D

Director of Mental Health Services

New York Foundling

Co-founder Vincent J. Fontana Center for Child Protection

2. Forensically Defensible Child Sexual Abuse Evaluations

This workshop, presented by a defense attorney, will focus on issues which arise in the context of child sexual abuse litigation including Parental Alienation “Syndrome,” the suggestibility of children, allegations of child sexual abuse in the context of divorce/custody proceedings, proper forensic interviewing, the professional ethics of mental health professionals maintaining proper records, and other issues.

Date/Time: December 5, 2011 10:00am to 12pm

Workshop Leader: Lawrence Jay Braunstein Esq.

Partner in the Firm of Braunstein & Zuckerman, Esq.

3. Common Myths and Clinical Realities of Child Maltreatment

Child abuse is the physical, sexual, emotional mistreatment or neglect of children. This workshop will provide a multi-disciplinary forum to explore commonly held beliefs that can often derail the process of obtaining the best outcomes for a child who has experienced any of these forms of child abuse. Through case-based discussion interspersed with brief didactics we will explore common myths as they relate to each of the forms of child maltreatment while integrating findings from the literature in the field.

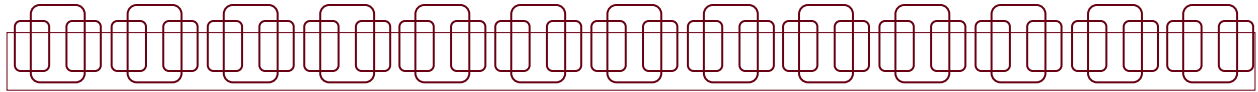
Date/Time: February 3, 2012 10am to 12pm

Workshop Leader: Ingrid Walker-Descartes, MD, MPH, FAAP

Maimonides Infants and Children’s Hospital of Brooklyn Child Abuse Pediatrician

Attending - Pediatric Ambulatory Division

Program Director - Pediatric Residency Training Program



4. Evidence-Based Mental Health Interventions for Child Abuse

This workshop will describe the current state of evidence-based mental health interventions for childhood abuse. Childhood models of PTSD and other sequelae will be described briefly. Empirically supported treatment for child sexual abuse, physical abuse and emotional/psychological abuse will be reviewed. Critical issues in treating youth will be described and finally national and state dissemination efforts will be noted, with focus on how New York State can adopt best practices for the treatment of abused children.

Date/Time: April 2, 2012 10am to 11:30am

Workshop Leader: Komal Sharma-Patel, PhD

Assistant Director of Research

PARTNERS Program

St. John's University

5. Integrating Prevention into Your Practice: American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children Prevention Guidelines

While much of professional practice has the objective of preventing further maltreatment, it is often difficult to understand how to best incorporate prevention activities into our work. This workshop will be hosted by a member of the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children Board Prevention Task Force who will review current evidence and best practices in the child maltreatment field and discuss guidelines to assist professionals in integrating prevention into their work.

Date/Time: May 1, 2012 10am to 11:30am

Workshop Leader: Vincent J. Palusci, MD MS

Professor of Pediatrics at NYU School of Medicine

Child Abuse Pediatrician at the Frances L. Loeb Child

Protection and Developmental Center at Bellevue Hospital

6. Assessing Complex Trauma

This workshop will describe a three session model for the assessment of Complex Trauma (aka Developmental Trauma Disorder). A brief description of what is Complex Trauma and its effects on child development and the importance of parenting will be followed by a presentation of the assessment protocol. This assessment protocol is multi-modal and uses data from records, caregivers, various psychometric instruments. Screening of the various domains of possible impairment is an essential element of this protocol.

This workshop will only be available through Webinar

Date and Time to be announced

Workshop Leaders: Arthur Becker-Weidman, Ph.D.

Center for Family Development

Emily Becker-Weidman, PhD

Child Study Center, New York University

The New York State Chapter of American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children

The New York State Chapter of the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children provides an opportunity for professionals in New York State to meet, share ideas and experiences, develop strategies for improving professional services to clients, influence public policy and educate the public, other professionals, and policy makers about child maltreatment.

The New York Foundling Vincent J. Fontana Center for Child Protection

The Fontana Center supports the mission and values of The New York Foundling by serving as the advocacy, public policy, research, professional and community education arm of the agency.

The Center's mission is to eliminate child maltreatment through the identification and promotion of evidence based primary prevention and treatment strategies. To achieve this objective, The Fontana Center engages in research, professional training, community education and advocacy.

Registration Form

Please, indicate which workshop you would like to register for below.

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(Date: TBA)

There is no fee for New York State APSAC members or for NY Foundling staff.

There is a \$10.00 fee for all non NYS APSAC members.

Please make check payable to:

Vincent J. Fontana Center for Child Protection

All workshops will be held at the Vincent J. Fontana Center for Child Protection
at 27 Christopher Street in Manhattan.

Subway stops: West 4th (A,C, E, F, B, D, M trains) or Christopher Street (1 train)

Send check and registration form to Maribel Cruz at:

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