



*Improving Outcomes for Abused and Neglected Children*

**Child Protection Conference**  
**Earle Brown Heritage Center, Brooklyn Park**  
**Wednesday, May 23 – Thursday, May 24, 2007**

## Agenda

### Wednesday, May 23

- 8:30 – 9:00**                      **Registration and Continental Breakfast**
- 9:00 – 9:15**                      **Welcome and Introductory Remarks**  
*Erin Sullivan Sutton, Director, Child Safety and Permanency, Minnesota Department of Human Services*  
*Cal Ludeman, Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Human Services*  
*Hon. Russell Anderson, Chief Justice, Minnesota Supreme Court*
- 9:15 – 10:30**                      **The Impact of Maltreatment on the Developing Child**  
*Dr. Bruce D. Perry, Child Trauma Academy*
- 10:30 – 10:45**                      **Break**
- 10:45– 11:45**                      **Mind Changers: The Impact of Alcohol and Drugs on the Developing Brain**  
*Dr. Cardwell C. Nuckols, Nuckols & Associates, LLC*
- 11:45 – 12:00**                      **Native Drum Group**  
*Healing Spirit Drum, Division of Indian Work, Minneapolis*
- 12:00 – 12:45**                      **Lunch (provided) (connect with colleagues)**
- 12:45 – 1:45**                      **Breakout sessions (the session you registered for is listed on your name badge)**

SESSION	TITLE AND FACULTY	LOCATION
1	<b>The Impact of Chronic Neglect</b> <i>Dr. Bruce D. Perry, Child Trauma Academy</i>	Garden City Ballroom
2	<b>Family Involvement Strategies in Child Protection</b> <i>Rob Sawyer and Sue Lohrbach, Olmsted County Human Services</i>	Harvest A
3	<b>Making Early Connections: The Parent Support Outreach Program</b> <i>David Thompson, Minnesota Department of Human Services</i> <i>Tony Loman and Gary Siegel, Institute of Applied Research</i>	Harvest B & C

SESSION	TITLE AND FACULTY	LOCATION
4	<b>Preserving Family Connections</b> <i>John Hanna, Minnesota Department of Human Services</i> <i>Relda Brown, Ramsey County Human Services.</i> <i>Kirk Crow Shoe, Director, Healing Spirit Program, Greater Minneapolis Council of Churches, Division of Indian Work</i> <i>Lee Antel, Foster and Adoptive Parent, Minnesota Kinship Caregivers Assoc.</i> <i>Sharon Durken, Minnesota Kinship Caregivers Association.</i>	Captains Estate
5	<b>Educational Outcomes of Young Children and Teens Involved with Child Protection: Room for Improvement, Reasons for Optimism, Opportunities for Change</b> <i>Timothy B. Zuel, Hennepin County Indian Child Welfare Child Protection</i> <i>Anita M. Larson, University of Minnesota, Center for Advanced Studies in Child Welfare</i>	Carriage Hall B

1:45 – 2:00            **Break**

2:00 – 3:00            **Breakout sessions** (the session you registered for is listed on your name badge)

SESSION	TITLE AND FACULTY	LOCATION
6	<b>Not So Fast: What Courts and Counties Need to Know About Youth Aging Out of Foster Care</b> <i>Claire Hill, Minnesota Department of Human Services</i> <i>Cheryl Glassel, Citizen Facilitator, Minnesota Citizen Review Panels Steering Committee</i>	Carriage Hall B
7	<b>White Privilege: Unpacking the Invisible Knapsack – Implications for Social Workers and Others Working in the Child Welfare System</b> <i>Kathy Heltzer, University of Minnesota Duluth, Department of Social Work</i>	Harvest B & C
8	<b>Family Centered Practice: Using the Strength-Based Model in Daily Practice</b> <i>Janine Moore, Hennepin County Child Protection</i>	Tack A
9	<b>Non-Citizen Minnesotans and Federal Immigration Law – Now What?</b> <i>John C. Keller, Immigrant Law Center of Minnesota / Oficina Legal</i>	Harvest A
10	<b>Mind Changers: Small Self and Big Self</b> <i>Dr. Cardwell C. Nuckols, Nuckols &amp; Associates LLC</i>	Captains Estate
11	<b>Children’s Justice Initiative and Family Group Decision Making: The Ties that Bind</b> <i>Hon. John Rodenberg, Brown County</i> <i>Mike Travers, Brown County Social Services</i> <i>Jo Ellen Krengel, Facilitator, Family Group Decision Making</i>	Garden City Ballroom

3:00 – 3:15            **Break**

3:15 – 4:30            **Child Protection Response Continuum: Program Overview and Research Findings**  
*David Thompson, Minnesota Department of Human Services*  
*Tony Loman and Gary Siegel, Institute of Applied Research*

4:30                      **Closing Remarks and Adjourn**

## Thursday, May 24

- 7:30 – 8:15**                    **Registration and Continental Breakfast**
- 8:15 – 8:30**                    **Welcome and Introductory Remarks**  
*Erin Sullivan Sutton, Director, Child Safety and Permanency, Minnesota  
 Department of Human Services*  
*Charles Johnson, Assistant Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Human  
 Services*  
*Hon. Sam Hanson, Associate Justice, Minnesota Supreme Court*
- 8:30 – 9:45**                    **The Role of Race and Culture in Substance Abuse and Child  
 Abuse and Neglect**  
*Dr. Kathy Sanders-Phillips, Baltimore Research Center on Child Health  
 Disparities*
- 9:45 – 10:00**                **Break**
- 10:00 – 11:15**                **Cultural Considerations as it Relates to Child Protection**  
*Don Coyhis, President and Founder, White Bison*
- 11:15 – 12:30**                **The STARS Program: Sacramento County Dependency Drug  
 Court**  
*Jeffrey Pogue, Director, Bridges, Sacramento County, California*  
*Steven Nelson, Parent’s Attorney, Sacramento County, California*  
*Dana Martinez, Recovery Specialist, Sacramento County, California*  
*Vivian Hudspeth, Parent Client, Sacramento County, California*
- 12:30 – 1:30**                **Lunch** *(provided) (connect with colleagues)*
- 1:30 – 2:30**                **Breakout Sessions** *(the session you registered for is listed on your  
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SESSION	TITLE AND FACULTY	LOCATION
12	<b>Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault in Indian Country</b> <i>Lonna Stevens, Sheila Wellstone Institute</i>	Harvest A
13	<b>The STARS Program: Beyond the Basics</b> <i>Jeffrey Pogue, Director, Bridges, Sacramento County, California</i> <i>Steven Nelson, Parent’s Attorney, Sacramento County, California</i> <i>Dana Martinez, Recovery Specialist, Sacramento County, California</i> <i>Vivian Hudspeth, Parent Client, Sacramento County, California</i>	Carriage Hall B
14	<b>Dakota County Healthy Families Child Maltreatment Outcomes Study: Prevention Pays</b> <i>Patrick Coyne and Gay Bakken, Dakota County Community Services</i>	Tack B
15	<b>Cycle of Life</b> <i>Don Coyhis, President and Founder, White Bison</i>	Harvest B & C
16	<b>A Father’s Place: The Importance of Male Involvement During the Early Years</b> <i>Neil Tift, Dad’s and Families Center</i>	Tack A
17	<b>Effective Court Practice: What Judges Need from Attorneys, Social Workers, and Guardians Ad Litem</b> <i>Hon. Paul Benshoof, Beltrami County</i> <i>Hon. Susan Miles, Washington County</i> <i>Hon. John Rodenberg, Brown County</i>	Garden City Ballroom

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18	<b>Foster Care Re-entry Data and Practices</b> <i>Deborah Beske Brown and Larry Wojciak, Minnesota Department of Human Services</i>	Captains Estate

**2:30 – 2:45 Break**

**2:45 – 3:45 Breakout Sessions** (*the session you registered for is listed on your name badge*)

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19	<b>Children’s Justice Initiative – Alcohol and Other Drugs (CJI-AOD) Project: Best Practices Tool Kit</b> <i>Jackie Crow Shoe, Minnesota Department of Human Services</i> <i>Danisa Farley, Consultant and Trainer</i> <i>Carole Johnson, State Court Administrator’s Office</i> <i>Deborah Moses, Minnesota Department of Human Services</i>	Captains Estate
20	<b>Overview of Minnesota Child Protective Service’s Structured Decision Making (SDM) and Recent Risk Assessment Validation Study</b> <i>Kristen Johnson, The Children’s Research Center, Madison, Wisconsin</i>	Tack A
21	<b>Evaluating County Outcomes and Performance Related to Disparities</b> <i>Christeen Borsheim and Nan Beman, Minnesota Department of Human Services</i>	Tack B
22	<b>County Best Practices in Preventing and Managing Out-of-Home Placements</b> <i>Tom Henderson, Brown County Family Services and the County Fiscal Best Practices Workgroup</i>	Harvest A
23	<b>All Children Excel (ACE) Case Management: Practical Application of Competency-Based Support for Our Highest Risk Clients</b> <i>Danette Jones, Mary McRoy and Dylan DiPrima, Ramsey County ACE Program, St. Paul Youth Services</i>	Harvest B & C
24	<b>The Role of Race and Culture in Substance Abuse and Child Abuse and Neglect: Beyond the Basics</b> <i>Dr. Kathy Sanders-Phillips, Baltimore Research Center on Child Health Disparities</i>	Garden City Ballroom
25	<b>Making Permanency Permanent: Concurrent Permanency Planning</b> <i>Janine LePage, Crow Wing County Attorneys Office</i> <i>Lynda Erickson, Crow Wing County Social Services</i>	Carriage Hall B

**3:45 Break**

**4:00 – 5:00 H.O.P.E. – How Our Potential Explodes**  
*Paul Bernabei and Tom Cody, Top 20 Training*

**5:00 Wrap Up and Adjourn**

**CONFERENCE EVALUATION**

A brief conference evaluation survey will be emailed to you within the next few days. We hope that you are able to take a few minutes to complete the survey – your responses will help guide the conference planners to develop future conferences. Thank You.