



SCY Monthly Training: Empathy-Based Family Development Spectrum

Please join SCY, Dr. Kimberly Svevo-Cianci, Ph.D., of [Changing Children's Worlds Foundation \(CCWF\)](#) and Dominica McBride, Ph.D. of [Become, Inc.](#) for this 3-hour training focused on FAMILY Development.

This empathy-based program is a comprehensive psychosocial approach to strengthening caregiver/parent-child interaction and relationships. Empathy provides the foundation of attitudes and values which motivate caregivers guiding them in the positive social-emotional, cognitive and regulative/moral development of their children.

**Thursday, April 24, 2014
9:00 am to 12:00 pm**

Ann & Robert H. Lurie
Children's Hospital of Chicago
225 E. Chicago Avenue,
Chicago, IL 60611
11th floor conference room

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SCY REGISTRATION TABLE
(near Concierge Desk)

Parking vouchers are provided.

Registration is required
Click [here](#) to register.

Upcoming Events & Important Dates

SCY's next Quarterly Meeting is Thursday, May 1, 9am-12pm, co-hosted by [Mikva Challenge](#) and [Free Spirit Media](#), entitled, "**The Role of Adults in Youth-Adult Partnerships.**" Join us to discuss topics including barriers to youth engagement, youth empowerment, the potential impact of adultism, the power of youth-initiated technology and storytelling through digital media, and youth-adult partnerships.

[Register here.](#) We look forward to seeing you there!

Sincerely,
Rebecca Levin, MPH
Director, SCY
Strategic Director, Injury Prevention and Research Center
Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago

Juvenile Justice Needs Assessment Survey

The Mansfield Institute for Social Justice and Transformation and the Institute on Public Safety and Social Justice

The Mansfield Institute for Social Justice and Transformation at Roosevelt University and the Institute on Public Safety and Social Justice (IPSSJ) at Adler School of Psychology are working together to complete a needs assessment to better understand the current state of the juvenile justice system.

"How can the Juvenile Court improve its ability to help our youth?"

The data will be presented to judges and other officials and stakeholders in the juvenile justice system to help inform current efforts and redirect youth out of detention and into community programming as appropriate.

Please participate in the survey [here](#).

Please forward the link to any juvenile justice stakeholders in Cook County whose perspective you feel would be beneficial and/or important to include in this assessment. Thank you!

April 1-30

Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM)

[Learn more](#)

April 17

SCY and Community Media Workshop host Media Training: Violence and Criminal Justice - What Needs Fixing?

Learn more in [SCY 3/19/14 Newsletter](#)

April 17

National Technical Assistance Center for Children's Mental Health's webinar on National Perspectives and Federal Resources: Trauma Informed Care in Child Serving Systems

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April 17

FREE workshop on Bullying and Social Conflict, hosted by Maine Township's MaineStay Youth & Family Services

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April 19

YWCA's "Taking Steps to End Sexual Violence Logan Square March and Rally"

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April 19

Chicago Freedom School Freedom Fellowship Open House

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April 21

Chicago Freedom School workshop "Recognizing Identity, Power, and Oppression"

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April 21

Session begins: FREE Johns Hopkins Community Change in Public Health Course

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April 21-26

Safe Start's Childhood Exposure to Violence Prevention Week

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April 22



Kids for Cash Discussion and Event Planning Guide

Active Voice

The [Event Planning Guide](#) outlines ways in which you can turn a film screening of *Kids for Cash* into an event that will have a lasting impact.

The [Discussion Guide](#) shares information that will help shape and inform your discussions around the film *Kids for Cash* as well as issues within the juvenile justice and education systems.

Want to host your own screening of the film?

Gathr is a web-based distribution tool that allows audiences to bring films like *Kids for Cash* to their local movie theatre simply by creating demand. Check if there is a *Kids for Cash* screening happening in your city or request your very own screening [here](#).

Want to host a screening of *Kids for Cash* at your community center, university or church instead? Purchase a screening license by filling out [this form](#).

National Perspectives and Federal Resources: Trauma-Informed Care in Child Serving Systems

The National Technical Assistance Center for Children's Mental Health

This webinar will feature representatives from federal agencies involved in the development of the July 2013 Tri-Director guidance letter intended to encourage the integrated use of trauma-focused screening, functional assessments and evidence-based practices (EBPs) in child-serving settings for the purpose of improving child well-being.

The webinar will provide a brief history of the development of the federal partnership, an overview of hopes for how strategies will be used by states' child-serving systems, a discussion of the importance of addressing trauma in education settings and young adult perspectives of the impact of trauma.

April 17, 12pm-1:30pm

Register and find additional information [here](#).

Contact Marisa Irvine at irvinema@georgetown.edu with any questions.



Bullying and Social Conflict: Prevention, Intervention, and Reconciliation

Maine Township's MaineStay Youth & Family Services

John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital of Cook Country hosts Combined Grand Round on Trauma-Informed Care
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April 23

Illinois Collaboration on Youth's "Being an Effective Supervisor" Training

Learn more in [SCY 3/19/14 Newsletter](#)

April 24

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Led by Kimberly Svevo-Cianci, Ph.D., Founder, [Changing Children's World Foundation](#) and Dominica McBride, Ph.D., Founder of [Become, Inc](#)
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April 24

YWCA's Metropolitan Chicago Denim Day to raise awareness about sexual violence

Learn more in [SCY 3/19/14 Newsletter](#)

April 24

Juvenile Justice Initiative and the Mansfield Institute for Social Justice present "A Summit on Counsel for Children at the Police Station"

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April 25

Last day to cast your vote in Illinois Children's Mental Health Partnership's Mental Health Awareness Poster Contest

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April 25

2014 Illinois Suicide Prevention Conference

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April 25

Chicago Freedom School Freedom Fellowship Application Deadline

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April 25

Community Engagement: From Theory to Practice, held by Raising Awareness in Service and Empowerment of African-

This FREE workshop will present a comprehensive approach to addressing bullying prevention, intervention, and reconciliation and will educate parents, teachers, counselors, and students on how to manage social conflict, bullying, and cyber-bullying.

Drawing from the latest research, Carrie Goldman, award-winning author of *Bullied: What Every Parent, Teacher, and Kid Needs to Know About Ending the Cycle of Fear*, will offer specific, practical tips on how to effectively manage bullying.

Thursday, April 17, 7-9pm

Main Township Town Hall
1700 Ballard Road, Park Ridge

Maine Township's MaineStay Youth & Family Services is providing this event free of charge, but advanced registration is requested as space is limited. CEUs are available.

For more information or to register click [here](#).

Freedom Fellowship

Chicago Freedom Schools

Do you know a young person age 14-17 who is interested in applying for the 2014 Freedom Fellowship?

CFS is hosting one more open house for prospective Freedom Fellows. At the Open House prospective fellows can learn more about CFS, meet Freedom Fellow Alumni, complete applications, and interview on the spot!

Saturday, April 19, 11am-2pm

Chicago Freedom School 719 S State Street

Applications are due **April 25!** Download application [here](#).

Childhood Exposure to Violence Prevention Week

April 21-25, 2014

Childhood Exposure to Violence Prevention Week (CEV) is an annual observance in April when Chicago Safe Start, along with local and national partners, host free, safe and family-focused programs for Chicagoans to engage in as positive alternatives to violence.

The theme for 2014 is "**Protecting Every Child, Every Day!**"

Visit Chicago Safe Start's website for information on [sharing the message](#), [promoting and attending events](#) for the week, nominating someone for a CEV Prevention [Community Spirit Award](#), joining the [National Photo Sharing Campaign](#), [Tweeting together](#), [Name Your Superhero art competition](#) and exhibit, or displaying the [CEV Week Poster](#).

SCY is a community partner this year for CEV Prevention Week. Tweet with our handle @SCY_Chicago and #StopCEV to chat!

CEV Prevention Week 2014



CFS Trainings and Workshops

Chicago Freedom School

Recognizing Identity, Power and Oppression

Explore different aspects of identity and the relationship between identity and oppression. Participants will reflect on their own identity and develop anti-oppression practices that will help them be allies to oppressed people. This class is geared towards youth workers, teachers, social workers, and

American Families (RAISE)
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April 25

Chicago Safe Start's Childhood Exposure to Violence Prevention Week Community Town Hall, "Connecting the Dots to Protect Our Children's Futures"

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April 30

Latino Policy Forum's Illinois Latino Nonprofit Leadership Academy Application Deadline
Learn more in [SCY 3/19/14 Newsletter](#)

April 30

Illinois Collaboration on Youth's "Positive Youth Development" Trainings
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April 30-May 3

CCPH 13th International Conference
Learn more in [SCY 4/2/14 Newsletter](#)

May 1

SCY Quarterly Meeting co-hosted by [Mikva Challenge](#) and [Free Spirit Media](#) on "The Role of Adults in Youth-Adult Partnerships."
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May 1-3

APA and ABA Conference: Confronting Family and Community Violence
Learn more in [SCY 4/2/14 Newsletter](#)

May 2-5

Windy City Times Chicago 2014 Homeless Youth Summit
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May 5

Health & Medicine Policy Research Group's Health Reform, Public Health, and Health Planning in Illinois
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May 12

The Chicago Community Trust hosts On The Table: community wide conversation about our collective future

youth advocates, but will be enriching for anyone who wants to attend.

April 21, 2014 6:30pm to 8:30pm

Civic Lab 114 N. Aberdeen

Cost: \$30

Register [here](#).

Registration for Rev Up is now open!

June 24-27, 2014

Rev Up is Chicago Freedom School's four-day training institute for youth organizers, youth workers, and educators from across the country who are interested in exploring how to incorporate social change approaches into their work. Rev Up will feature workshops led by Chicago's cutting edge youth development professionals.

For more information and registration [click here](#).

Trauma-Informed Care

Basic Principles for Practice

Child Protective Services Division of John H. Stroger Hospital of Cook County is hosting Combined Grand Round for Rush University Medical Center, John H. Stroger Hospital of Cook County, and UIC Pediatric Departments.

Tuesday, April 22, 8am

Hektoen Auditorium, Ground Floor, 627 S Wood, Chicago
Between John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital of Cook County and Rush Hospital

Dr. Sheela Raja, a psychologist from UIC, will be speaking on "Trauma-Informed Care - Basic Principles for Practice." All are welcome to attend



Cook County Health & Hospitals System

Fourth Annual Children's Mental Health Awareness Poster Contest

Illinois Children's Mental Health Partnership

Voting is now open for the Fourth Annual Children's Mental Health Awareness Poster Contest, a project of the Illinois Children's Mental Health Partnership.

You may vote online for your favorite poster in each division (4th-8th grade and 9th-12th grade) through ICMHP's [website](#).

The last day to vote is April 25th

Winners will be announced on National Children's Mental Health Awareness Day, May 8th.



Connecting the Dots to Protect Our Children's Future

Chicago Safe Start's Childhood Exposure to Violence (CEV) Prevention Week

You are cordially invited to Chicago Safe Start's CEV Prevention Week Community Town Hall!

Friday, April 25, 2014 9:30am

Learn more in [SCY 4/2/14 Newsletter](#)

May 21

SCY Monthly Training:
Advocacy 101, co-hosted by Terri A. Johnson of C-Change Consulting
[REGISTER HERE](#)

May 23-24

CHRC Symposium: *Creating a Non-Violent Future - Children's Rights and Advances in Protection from Corporal Punishment*
Learn more in [SCY 4/2/14 Newsletter](#)

June 24-27

Chicago Freedom School "Rev Up" youth organizer, worker, educator training
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June 30

SCY Monthly Training:
Stakeholder Engagement, co-hosted by [Prevent School Violence Illinois \(PSVI\)](#)
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August 13

SCY Quarterly Meeting
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November 5

SCY Quarterly Meeting
[REGISTER HERE](#)

Interested in Sharing Your Expertise or Violence Prevention Experience?

Strengthening Chicago's Youth hosts monthly trainings on violence prevention in Chicago. Past topics have included mental health, youth programming, data-driven advocacy, media, restorative justice, and trauma-informed care. Trainings frequently involve information sharing, networking, and interactive action planning.

If you or your organization is interested in partnering with

Arturo Velasquez Westside Technical Institute
2800 South Western Avenue

This conversation is designed to introduce and connect participants to emerging and effective approaches that protect Chicago's children from exposure to violence and other traumas. Chicago Department of Public Health Commissioner, Dr. Bechara Choucair, will start the Town Hall with opening remarks.

The Community Spirit Awards lunch-hour program immediately follows the Town Hall session. You are invited to attend this meaningful celebration of Chicago area individuals and organizations that are making a difference.

Pamela Greer can receive your RSVP at 312.745.0381.

Community Engagement: From Theory to Practice

Raising Awareness in Service and Empowerment of African-American Families

Join Raising Awareness in Service and Empowerment of African-American Families (RAISE) coalition for this training on the theoretical foundations of community engagement, specifically in addressing child sexual abuse within African-American communities.

Participants will learn strategies for engaging and partnering with communities of color on social justice issues at a structural, community and individual level. The training will include discussion of methods for developing interventions to address child sexual abuse and the associated mental health and other health-related effects.

CE hours are available for licensed social workers and counselors.

Friday, April 25, 10am-12pm

Adler School of Professional Psychology
17 North Dearborn, 15th Floor Community Hall, Chicago

Register [here](#); registration is \$15 per person.

SCY Quarterly Meeting

The Role of Adults in Youth-Adult Partnerships

Please join us for our quarterly meeting co-hosted with [Mikva Challenge](#) and [Free Spirit Media](#) titled:

The Role of Adults in Youth-Adult Partnerships

This quarterly meeting will provide an engaging discussion and interactive workshop to help adult allies strengthen their relationships with youth.

Join us to discuss topics including barriers to youth engagement, youth empowerment, the potential impact of adulthood, the power of youth-initiated technology and storytelling through digital media, and youth-adult partnerships.

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Strengthening
Chicago's
Youth



Chicago 2014 Homeless Youth Summit

Windy City Times

As a follow up to its award winning series, Generation Halsted, Windy City Times is hosting a summit on LGBTQ youth in the Chicago region. Summit participants will assess the issues impacting LGBTQ homeless youth and youth themselves will come up with new solutions to these complex issues. Youth, government agencies, nonprofit organizations, and concerned individuals are invited to participate in a new way of working together.

Schedule:

FRIDAY, May 2nd, 2:00-9:00pm at Lurie Children's Hospital: Open to youth 25 and under who have been impacted by homelessness. Registration: FREE

SATURDAY, May 3rd, 9:00am-5:00 pm at University of Illinois at Chicago: Workshops, plenary for nonprofits, foundations, government and political leaders. Registration: Adults \$45/Youth FREE

MONDAY, May 5th, 8:00am-12:00pm at Museum of Broadcast Communications: Report from the summit to government agencies, politicians, foundations, and other funders. Registration: FREE

[Learn more](#) or [register](#) today!

Health Reform, Public Health, and Health Planning in Illinois

Health & Medicine Policy Research Group

Current projects and how they fit together

Health & Medicine Policy Research Group is pleased to invite you to a forum focused on current health reform and public health efforts in Illinois.

May 5, 2014 9am-11am
UIC School of Public Health
Auditorium
1603 West Taylor Street,
Chicago

[Learn more](#) and [register!](#)

This forum will include a panel discussion regarding an overview and update on each of the initiatives listed below, relationships and overlap among these efforts, implementation progress, barriers and gaps, and ways for stakeholders to be involved.



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