



Making Connections

How SCY can help you!

One of the reasons SCY was created is to facilitate connections between community organizations and researchers. We can help violence prevention organizations to find research partners for needs assessments or program evaluations, and we can help researchers find community partners to respectfully conduct studies that really make a difference in people's lives. We can also connect you to the [Illinois Violent Death Reporting System](#) (IVDRS) to help define violence problems and monitor impact of violence prevention efforts. For example, potential applicants for [CDC research funding on intimate partner and sexual violence](#) could work with IVDRS to evaluate policy, systems and environmental change strategies.

To explore how SCY can help you connect to a researcher or violence prevention organization, please contact Becky Levin at rlevin@luriechildrens.org.



Upcoming Events & Important Dates

December 18

We hope you and your loved ones have a very happy and safe holiday!

Download a fun and relaxing SCY-themed [crossword puzzle](#) and take a break from all the great work you are doing! (If you need a little help, here's the [answer key](#).)

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

Understanding and Preventing Suicide

Institute for Public Health and Medicine (IPHAM)

Join [IPHAM](#) for their upcoming Seminar/Webinar Series, "Understanding and Preventing Suicide." Mark A. Reinecke, PhD from Northwestern University's Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences will be presenting. Lunch is provided on a first-come, first-served basis.

Thursday, December 18
12:00pm- 1:00pm

Northwestern University Hughes Auditorium
303 E. Superior St., Chicago, IL 60611

More information [here](#)



Expanding the Boundaries: Health Equity and Public Health Practice

Dialogue4Health

In late 2014, the [National Association of County and City Health Officials](#) (NACCHO) published a book called [Expanding the Boundaries, Health Equity and Public Health Practice](#). Aimed at creating discussion and facilitating

*Understanding and Preventing
Suicide*
[READ MORE](#)

2015 Events

January 8

*Expanding the Boundaries:
Health Equity and Public
Health Practice Web Forum*
[READ MORE](#)

January 13

*Professional Development for
School Transformation*
Registration deadline: Jan. 5
[READ MORE](#)

January 15

*Chicago Children's Museum
Community Festival Program
Application Deadline*
[LEARN MORE](#)

January 19

*DEADLINE: LOI for Intimate
Partner and Sexual Violence
Research Funding Opportunity*
[READ MORE](#)

January 29

*Economic Empowerment
Project Symposium*
Registration deadline: Jan. 14
[READ MORE](#)

January 30

*APPLICATION DEADLINE:
Untied Way LIVE 2020
Community Fund*
[LEARN MORE](#)

February 5

SCY Quarterly Meeting
[REGISTER NOW](#)

February 6

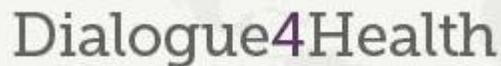
*The 8th Annual Health
Disparities and Social Justice
Conference*
[LEARN MORE](#)

change, the book explores the ways in which public health practitioners might act on the underlying social inequalities that are the root of health inequities.

Thursday, January 8
1:30pm- 3:00pm

More information and registration [here](#)

Please join [Dialogue4Health](#) for their upcoming Web Forum where co-authors of the book and collaborators in this growing field will share insights, methods, and lessons in making public health work more expansive in vision and more valuable in practice.

The logo for Dialogue4Health features the text "Dialogue4Health" in a serif font, with the number "4" in a smaller, sans-serif font. The text is centered within a light-colored rectangular box.

Professional Development for School Transformation

*What You Need to Know To Create Optimal
Conditions for Effective Learning and Healthy
Development*



Please join the [Prevent School Violence Illinois Coalition](#) for this workshop featuring storytelling, skill shares, and facilitated action planning that reveal ways professional development and trainings have supported schools to create positive climates.

Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. Ask about support for teachers and other school personnel to attend. 5 CPDUs or 5 CEUs provided.

Tuesday, January 13
9:00am- 4:00pm

Registration Deadline: January 5
Location TBA December 19
More information and registration [here](#)

Please contact Sarah Schriber with questions at sarah@psvillinois.org.

Research Funding Opportunity *Intimate Partner Violence and Sexual Violence*

Intimate partner and sexual violence are critical public health issues. On December 1, 2014, CDC released RFA-CE-15-003, Evaluating Structural, Economic, Environmental, or Policy Primary Prevention Strategies for Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence. The [National Center for Injury Prevention](#)

March 5

DEADLINE: Application for Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Research Funding Opportunity

[READ MORE](#)

March 11-13

SAVIR 2015 Conference in New Orleans

[LEARN MORE](#)

March 15

Chicago Children's Museum Community Festival Program Application Deadline

[LEARN MORE](#)

April 30

2015 Illinois Suicide Prevention Conference

[LEARN MORE](#)

May 14

SCY Quarterly Meeting

[REGISTER NOW](#)

August 19

SCY Quarterly Meeting

[REGISTER NOW](#)

November 10

SCY Quarterly Meeting

[REGISTER NOW](#)

Newsletter Content

To have an event or article included in SCY's bi-monthly update, please email Erica Rodriguez at erodriguez@luriechildrens.org.

Follow SCY's Blog!

Join the Discussion on Youth Violence Prevention in Chicago

Check out some of our recent posts on masculinity and violence, implications of the

[and Control](#) intends to commit up to \$1,200,000 in Fiscal Year 2015 to support up to three cooperative agreements to rigorously evaluate structural, economic, environmental, or policy strategies for the primary prevention of intimate partner and/or sexual violence.

The proposed research will add to the limited knowledge base on effective prevention strategies by evaluating the use of community-level approaches that change one or more of the social, economic, behavioral, or environmental characteristics of a community in order to prevent and reduce rates of intimate partner and/or sexual violence perpetration, victimization, or both perpetration and victimization.

LOI Deadline: January 19

Application Deadline: March 5

Read Funding Opportunity Announcement [here](#)



Economic Empowerment Project Symposium

Economic Justice for Survivors

Please join the [Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence](#) for the Economic Empowerment Project Symposium where advocates and counselors are invited to learn more about economic justice and the connection between safety and access to resources for domestic violence survivors. Participants will examine their own financial biases and misperceptions and learn how to incorporate economic justice into their everyday advocacy.

5.50 CEUs will be offered for ICDVP, CPAIP, LCPC, and LSW/LCSW. CEUs are \$5 for each discipline due at time of registration.



Thursday, January 29

7:45am- 4:00pm

Registration Deadline: January 14

Bloomington/Normal Marriot Hotel and Conference Center
201 N. Broadway St, Normal, IL 61761

More information and registration (log-in required) [here](#)

Contact Pam Groves, Training Coordinator, for questions at groves@ilcadv.org or 217-789-2830

elections, and voter access issues [here](#).



DONATE

To join our mailing list or subscribe to our weekly policy updates, click the button below



Lead a SCY Training!

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, among others. Trainings frequently involve information sharing, networking, and interactive action planning.

If you or your organization are interested in partnering with SCY for a future training, learn more [here](#) or contact Erica Rodriguez, Program Assistant, at erodriguez@luriechildrens.org.

Family Night Program

Cook County Juvenile Detention Center

The [Isaac Ray Center](#) in collaboration with the Cook County Juvenile Detention Center is looking for organizations to present at Family Night, a program established in November of 2011 with the hope of increasing parent knowledge and involvement and reducing family stress, disempowerment, youth recidivism, and community fragmentation. The Family Night program occurs weekly and is broken down into four sessions. Each session covers a different topic such as Parents Orientation to JTDC, Medical/Mental Health services, Legal Literacy, and Community Resources. The Juvenile Detention Center is always looking to collaborate with different organizations to provide information, support, and resources relevant to the families.

Every Saturday from 3:00pm- 4:30pm
Cook County Juvenile Detention Center
1100 S. Hamilton, Chicago, IL 60612 (2nd Floor)

For more information, or to arrange a presentation, please contact Dr. Dakeda Horton at 312-433-5704.

Thrive Baseline Report

Thrive Chicago

SCY has been actively participating in [Thrive Chicago](#), a collaboration across hundreds of Chicago organizations to prepare all Chicago youth for a vibrant future. This initiative has just released a baseline report containing data on the state of Chicago youth and background on our work to address the toughest challenges our youth face. You can access the report at www.thrivechi.org/report. You can access the accompanying press release at www.thrivechi.org/pressrelease.

thrivechicago

Global Status Report on Violence Prevention 2014

World Health Organization (WHO)

Released last Thursday by the World Health Organization (WHO) and United Nations, the [Global Status Report on Violence Prevention 2014](#) calls on countries to act decisively to prevent violence in the first place.

The report's recommendations - such as develop data-driven, comprehensive action plans; strengthen mechanisms for leadership and coordination; and ensure comprehensive prevention strategies - are in line with actions that many U.S. cities are taking. These include developing comprehensive plans with prevention strategies, coordinating efforts across many sectors, and establishing staffing and other infrastructure to support violence prevention efforts on an

ongoing basis. Read the report to learn more about how the public health approach to violence prevention is taking hold globally and what more can be done to create safe, healthy communities everywhere.



225 E. Chicago Ave, Box 157, Chicago, IL 60611 | 312-227-6678
info@scy-chicago.org | www.scy-chicago.org