



## January is National Mentoring Month

**Be Part of the Movement**

SCY's [Focus on Five](#) includes the sustained investment in children and youth as a vital part of violence prevention. A great way to take action is to become a mentor or tutor through local opportunities using [Tutor/Mentor Connection](#) or the [Illinois Mentoring Partnership](#).

Another way to join the movement is to recognize the following important [National Mentoring Month Dates](#):

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Thursday, January 12, 2017  
**I Am a Mentor Day**

Monday, January 16, 2017  
**Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service**

Tuesday, January 17, 2017  
**International Mentoring Day**

Thursday, January 19, 2017  
**#ThankYourMentor Day**



Greetings!

As we begin 2017, SCY plans to continue our commitment to strengthen our communities by building partnerships that enhance safety. We hope each of you will join us or develop your own collaborative efforts to support youth, families and communities. Let's make 2017 the year when partnership, rather than violence, captures the public's attention. Happy New Year!

Sincerely,

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## January is National Stalking Awareness Month

Know It. Name It. Stop It.

According to the [Stalking Resource Center](#), a program of the [National Center for Victims of Crime](#), over 7.5 million people are stalked each year in the United States. Stalking is often committed by someone the victim knows, and stalking by an intimate partner is the most common and most dangerous type of stalking. Stalking intersects with both intimate partner violence and sexual violence. This is a vital time to join efforts to raise awareness and to educate the public about stalking and how it relates to other forms of violence. For more information, click [here](#).

**Stalking**  
resource center

THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR  
**Victims of Crime**

## Upcoming Events & Important Dates

### January

National Mentoring Month  
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### January

National Stalking Awareness Month  
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### January 5

SAMHSA-HRSA Webinar  
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### January 9

Beginner Motivational Interviewing  
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### January 9

3rd Annual Autism, Behavior, and Complex Medical Needs-Downstate (ABC-D) Conference Request for Proposals Deadline  
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### January 9

Generation All Youth Council Application Deadline  
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### January 10

Asking Styles  
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### January 11

Putting the Community at the Center  
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### January 19-21

National Association of Student Affairs Professionals (NASPA) Sexual Violence Prevention and Response Conference (Austin, TX)  
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## Asking Styles

A Revolutionary Concept in Fundraising

There is no one right way to ask for a donation. Some people take great care preparing well-organized and complete presentations. Others prepare with just a few talking points and then use the energy of the prospect to guide the conversation. Learn about your unique strengths and your asking style during this free webinar.

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Tuesday, January 10, 2017  
2:00 pm - 2:45 pm  
Online Webinar

More information and registration [here](#)  
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## Putting the Community at the Center Conversations about Violence

Addressing More Than Individuals

[Berkeley Media Studies Group](#) and [Prevention Institute](#) will deliver this webinar, where participants will learn about a framework for understanding and preventing violence and trauma at the community level and strategies for elevating this framework in the public conversation.

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Wednesday, January 11, 2017  
2:00 pm - 3:30 pm  
Online Webinar

More information and registration [here](#)  
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berkeley **media** studies group

## January 23

*Intermediate Motivational  
Interviewing*

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## January 23-24

*Introduction to Kingian  
Nonviolence*

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## January 24

*Health Equity Discussion  
Series*

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## January 25

*Keeping Children Safe Training*

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## January 25, February 1, 8, 15 & 22

*Professional Media Relations  
Training Sessions*

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## January 25

*Back to Basics and Moving  
Beyond: A Prevention  
Approach to Sexual and  
Domestic Violence*

[LEARN MORE](#)

## January 31

*Call for Partnerships Deadline*

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## February 10

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*Internet Safety and Kids with  
Disabilities*

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## February 14

**SAVE THE DATE**

*SCY Training: Teen Dating  
Violence Prevention*

[LEARN MORE](#)

# Health Equity Discussion Series

Health and Social Justice

Join [The Center for Community Health Equity](#)'s monthly discussions series event presented by Dr. Monica Peek, MD, MPH from the [University of Chicago](#). Dr. Peek specializes in general internal medicine and preventive health for adults. She has a particular interest in reducing health care disparities and concentrates these efforts on diabetes care and breast cancer-screening education for African American patients.

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Tuesday, January 24, 2017  
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm  
DePaul University  
14 E Jackson St.,  
Suite 710 Conference Room  
Chicago, IL 60604

[RSVP](#) by Friday, January 20, 2017  
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**CENTER FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH EQUITY**



DEPAUL UNIVERSITY



RUSH UNIVERSITY

# Professional Media Relations

A Public Narrative Training Series

This intensive training series of five, half-day sessions with [Public Narrative](#) is designed specifically for nonprofit communicators to plan media campaigns around one of their own stories, while learning basic public relations skills. The workshop will provide hands-on guidance and training, as attendees develop a story and pitch it to journalists.

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January 25, 2017 and  
February 1, 8, 15, 22, 2017  
9:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Columbia College Chicago  
33 E Congress Parkway, Chicago, IL 60605

More information and registration [here](#)  
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**PUBLIC (P.)  
NARRATIVE**

## February 13 & 27

### SAVE THE DATE

*Organizing Strategies for Black Liberation*

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## February 15

### SAVE THE DATE

*Intertwined and Aligned: Supporting Health Equity and Justice in Sexual and Domestic Violence Prevention*

[LEARN MORE](#)

## February 20-24

*APHA 2017 Call for Abstracts Deadline*

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## February 25

### SAVE THE DATE

*Understanding Adulthood*

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## February 27-March 1

*Great Lakes Institute for Community Health Educators (GLICHE) Training (Green Lake, WI)*

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## March 11

### SAVE THE DATE

*Positive Youth Development*

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## March 11

### SAVE THE DATE

*Popular Education Facilitation*

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## March 15

### SAVE THE DATE

*How Do We Connect the Dots? Local Approaches to Preventing Multiple Forms of Violence*

[LEARN MORE](#)

# Great Lakes Institute for Community Health Educators

An Intensive Multi-Day Training Experience

This event is an intensive multi-day training experience for educators and health and human service professionals working in sexuality, HIV/AIDS, community health, and family planning education. The purpose is to strengthen competence and confidence through building practical skills, gaining a toolbox of new resources, and networking with others in the field.

Monday, February 27, 2017 at 3:00 pm to  
Wednesday, March 1, 2017 at 12:00 pm  
Green Lake Conference Center  
W2511 State Road 23  
Green Lake, WI 54941

More information and registration [here](#)



## 2017 SAVIR Conference

Call for Abstracts

Authors are invited to submit abstracts for consideration for the September 2017 conference focused on research and research-based practice encompassing all aspects of injury and violence prevention. The theme is "Innovations in Injury Prevention Science," highlighting the new and creative ways that scientists are advancing injury and violence research.

### Submission Deadline:

Friday, March 20, 2017  
10:59 pm

More information [here](#)

# savir

Society for Advancement of  
Violence and Injury Research

**March 15-16**

**SAVE THE DATE**

*Parent Cafe Team Training*

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**March 20**

*2017 SAVIR Conference Call  
for Abstracts Submission*

*Deadline*

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**April 3-5**

**SAVE THE DATE**

*NATCON17: The Intersection  
of Innovation and Action. Are  
We Ready for the End of Mass  
Incarceration? (Seattle, WA)*

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**April 24-25**

**SAVE THE DATE**

*University of Michigan Health  
System Annual Conference on  
Adolescent Health (Ypsilanti,  
MI)*

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**April 28**

**SAVE THE DATE**

*3rd Annual Autism, Behavior,  
and Complex Medical Needs-  
Downstate (ABC-D)  
Conference (O'Fallon, IL)*

[LEARN MORE](#)

**May 3-6**

**SAVE THE DATE**

*10th Annual National  
Conference on Health  
Disparities (New Orleans, LA)*

[LEARN MORE](#)

**May 18-21**

**SAVE THE DATE**

*RevUp 4-Day Institute*

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## New Resource

### 500 Cities Project Data and Map Books Released

The [Division of Population Health](#) (DPH) is excited to announce the launch of data and map books for the [500 Cities Project](#). This project is a partnership between the National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, the CDC, and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. It is an analysis of 27 chronic disease measures for the 500 largest American cities, and the census tracts within.

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More information [here](#)  
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## The Illinois ACEs Response Collaborative

The Impact in the Health, Justice and Education Systems

The Illinois ACEs Response Collaborative at [Health & Medicine Policy Research Group](#) is pleased to share three policy briefs on the impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) in the health, justice, and education systems including promising practices and recommended actions for change. Rooted in social justice, these briefs are a call to action to move upstream, build resiliency, and recognize how addressing inequity and trauma can improve systems while also building resiliency.

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More information and full policy briefs [here](#)  
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Health & Medicine  
POLICY RESEARCH GROUP

**May 24-26**

**SAVE THE DATE**

*The Whole Student:  
Intersectionality and Well-Being  
A Bringing Theory to Practice  
Project National Conference*  
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**May 31**

**SAVE THE DATE**

*Communities for All:  
Supporting Inclusion and  
Positive Gender Norms for  
Sexual and Domestic Violence  
Prevention*  
[LEARN MORE](#)

**June 21**

**SAVE THE DATE**

*From Private to Community  
Accountability: Building  
Capacity to Make Sexual and  
Domestic Violence Prevention*  
[LEARN MORE](#)

**July 19**

**SAVE THE DATE**

*Organizing for Economic  
Opportunity: Movements and  
Strategies to Improve  
Economic Opportunities for  
Sexual and Domestic Violence  
Prevention*  
[LEARN MORE](#)

**August 16**

**SAVE THE DATE**

*A Safe Place to Call  
Home: Strategies and  
Movements to Transform the  
Physical/Built Environment for  
Sexual and Domestic Violence  
Prevention*  
[LEARN MORE](#)

**September 18-20**

**SAVE THE DATE**

*Society for Advancement of  
Violence and Injury Research  
(SAVIR) 6th National  
Conference (Ann Arbor, MI)*  
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## Follow SCY's Blog!

Join the Discussion on Youth Violence Prevention in Chicago

SCY's [blog](#) is another avenue to share information, connect with partners, and encourage conversations. This platform allows us to take a deeper look at timely topics and relevant resources, highlight partners and evidence-based programs, promote and raise awareness, and reflect on issues of social justice and violence prevention.

We encourage you to use this blog as a space for open dialogue, debate, and brainstorming to realize community-based solutions to youth violence and the various factors playing into it.

If you interested in being a guest blogger, check out our [Blog Guidelines](#) to get started. Contact [Kelli Day](#) with questions!

## Funding Opportunities

Funding opportunity details are now located on the Strengthening Chicago's Youth website [here](#).

For assistance developing research projects or connecting with research partners, please contact Rebecca Levin at [rlevin@luriechildrens.org](mailto:rlevin@luriechildrens.org).

## Job Postings

Details for the job postings are now located on the Strengthening Chicago's Youth website [here](#).

If you have a position you would like posted here, please send the position title, organization, contact person, brief description and full job description to [Kirstin Grabski](#).

## September 20

### SAVE THE DATE

*From Research to  
Practice: Addressing Shared  
Underlying Factors to Prevent  
Sexual and Domestic Violence*

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## November 4-8

### SAVE THE DATE

*APHA 2017 Annual Meeting  
and Expo (Atlanta, GA)*

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