



SCY's Educational Seminar

Sharing Data for Violence Prevention: Local Lessons

This seminar will highlight three local projects that illustrate how data can be used to prevent violence, improve public safety, and enhance child well-being.

Chaclyn Hunt, Civil Rights Attorney with [Invisible Institute](#) will discuss the [Citizens Policy Data Project](#), a police misconduct data visualization tool. Daniel Cooper and Forest Gregg will focus on [Chicago's Million Dollar Blocks](#), which maps the cost of imprisonment as a way to quantify mass incarceration and identify alternatives. Kingsley Weaver with the Chicago Department of Public Health will discuss the [Child Opportunity Index](#), a measure of educational, health and environmental, and social and economic characteristics within a community that impact a child's health and well-being. More information [here](#) or download the flyer [here](#).

Thursday, September 29, 2016

9:00 am -12:00 pm

check in begins at 9:00 am

meeting starts at 9:30 am

Ann & Robert H. Lurie

Children's Hospital of Chicago

225 E. Chicago Avenue

[Registration](#) required

Greetings!

One important part of improving services to prevent violence and meet the needs of traumatized individuals is to ensure that sustainable funding is available for those services. For many youth, families and service providers in the communities most affected by violence, Medicaid coverage of behavioral health services is essential. The State of Illinois is proposing a "Behavioral Health Transformation" through a mechanism called a Section 1115 Demonstration Waiver. I encourage you to learn more about the [Waiver](#) and [let me know](#) if you'd like to be part of SCY's discussions about its implications for violence prevention.

Sincerely,

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

Mitigating Evidence

Exhibition of Art and Writing

[Free Write Arts and Literacy](#) and [Prison Neighborhood Arts Project](#) are partnering with others to present an exhibition of art and writing by people who are or were incarcerated in the Cook County Juvenile Temporary Detention Center (CCJTDC) and Statesville Correctional Center. Mitigating Evidence is a strategy to interrupt the presumptions, stereotypes and fears about people in detention, jail, and prison. This will be a space in which incarcerated artists are reclaiming their artistry, authorship, and, therefore, their humanity.

Friday, September 9, 2016

6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Chicago Art Department

1932 S Halsted #100 and #101, Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)

The seminar is hosted by the Violence Data Landscape project, an initiative to identify strategies to increase use and dissemination of violence-related data for policy and program improvement in Illinois. Support for this project and seminar are provided in part by The Joyce Foundation.



Upcoming Events & Important Dates

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Equitable Trauma-Informed Strategies: Strategies to Prevent Sexual and Domestic Violence
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Mitigating Evidence: Exhibition of Art and Writing
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Chicago Neighborhood Development Awards (CNDA) Application Deadline
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Identity, Power & Oppression
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L.I.F.T.: Social Media Training-- LinkedIn, Instagram, Facebook and Twitter
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Stop, Observe, Ask, Respond (SOAR) to Human Trafficking Educating Professionals

Many victims of human trafficking encounter health care and social service professionals and remain unidentified. Potential victims can present with a wide-range of physical and psychological health issues and social service needs, and the SOAR training aims to educate health care and social service professionals how to identify, treat, and respond appropriately to potential victims of human trafficking. The [U.S. Department of Health and Human Services](#) has scheduled several SOAR trainings for health care providers, public health professionals, social workers, and behavioral health professionals.

Tuesday, September 13, 2016

9:00 am - 12:30 pm (Health Care)

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
13th Floor Conference Room
233 North Michigan Avenue
Chicago, IL

More information and registration [here](#)

Tuesday, September 13, 2016

1:30 pm - 5:00 pm (Social Work)

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
13th Floor Conference Room
233 North Michigan Avenue
Chicago, IL

More information and registration [here](#)



Stop. Observe. Ask. Respond to Human Trafficking
A Training for Health Care and Social Service Providers

National Forum to Address Youth Exposure to Community Violence

Virtual Town Hall

The University of Illinois at Chicago, Urban Youth Trauma Center and the NCTSN Community Violence Collaborative are sponsoring an interactive, virtual Town Hall meeting to a

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Changing the Discourse About Community Violence: To Prevent It, We Have to Talk About It
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September 23-25

RevUp 3-Day Training: Professional Development to Support Youth Activism
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Seat Check Saturday
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September 26-27 and October 28

Love & Disruption: Unleashing Courage to Transform Ourselves and Our Communities
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address the escalating crisis of community violence across our country. The goal of this forum is to raise awareness about the impacts of community violence, acknowledge its increasing urgency as a public health crisis, and to offer examples of solutions through partnership and collaboration.

Wednesday September 14, 2016
11:00 am - 12:30 pm

More information and registration [here](#)

The Economic Value of a Healthy Human System *A Community Summit*

This event facilitated by [Illinois Partners for Human Services](#) and [Northern Illinois Center for Nonprofit Excellence](#) will reinforce the understanding that the health of a community economy directly links to residents' ability to thrive. An array of community leaders will expand on the economic impact of human services as it relates to their particular business or organization. The unity and collaboration of entities from all sectors is important to strengthen our human system and increase residents' ability to reach their full potential.

Wednesday September 14, 2016
1:00 pm - 3:30 pm
Rockford University, Maddox Theatre
550 E. State St. Rockford, IL

More information and registration [here](#)



Reducing Isolation in Youth Facilities

Strategies for Working With Your Most Challenging Youth

Youth in the juvenile justice system present with a wide range of needs. It is the responsibility of professionals to interact with youth in ways that foster skill development, promote pro-social thinking and behaviors, and assist youth in becoming contributing members of society. The majority of these youth respond to the evidence-based programming provided but there are some youth that do

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Social Media 3-Day Bootcamp (Intermediate)
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University of Michigan Health System Conference Call for Submission Deadline
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Justice from the Start
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October 20

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Learning Summit on Nonprofit Restructuring
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not. This webinar hosted by the [Council of Juvenile Correctional Administrators](#) aims to provide information on effective strategies for working with the most challenging youth - those youth who have significant mental health issues, have experienced primary or secondary trauma, and/or youth who are highly aggressive or assaultive. Three state juvenile justice agencies will provide information on specific strategies and program elements that have shown to be effective when working with these specific youth populations.

Wednesday September 14, 2016
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm
Online Webinar

More information and registration [here](#)



Demoiselle 2 Femme Quarterly Meeting

Pillar #3 Inclusive S.T.E.M. Education

Significant opportunity gaps exist in STEM education and careers for women, especially for women and girls of color. Although more women graduate from college and participate in graduate programs than men, women's participation in science and engineering significantly differs by field of study, at both the undergraduate and graduate level.

Hear the panel of experts discuss barriers and opportunities for inclusive STEM education. There will be a special presentation on findings from a STEM research study conducted by girls in the Roseland community. After each quarterly meeting an action plan will be developed to specifically address the pillar. Join one of the work groups and network with other organizations and institutions committed to the success of girls in Chicago!

Wednesday, September 21, 2016
10:00 am - 12:00 pm
TBD

More information and registration [here](#)



October 20

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2016 Afterschool: Growth!
Conference

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October 20-21

Prevent Child Abuse Illinois
Statewide Conference (Springfield,
IL)

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October 26

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Building a Better
Communications Plan

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November 2

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Intergenerational Community
Organizing Training Series:
Fundamental Organizing

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November 18

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Annual ABC (Autism, Behavior,
and Complex Medical Needs)
Conference

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December 1-2

SAVE THE DATE

Midwest Injury Prevention Alliance
(MIPA) 2016 Summit (Pewaukee,
WI)

[LEARN MORE](#)

December 2-4

SAVE THE DATE

2016 Injury Free Coalition for Kids
Conference

[LEARN MORE](#)

December 7

Intergenerational Community
Organizing Training Series:
Strategy and Campaign
Development

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**2017 Events &
Important Dates**

Mental Health America of Illinois (MHA) Luncheon Speaker Series

*Advocating and Decreasing the Stigma of
Mental Illness*

Please join [MHA](#) for the second Luncheon Speaker Series featuring a panel lead by Ric Estrada from [Metropolitan Family Services](#). Help reduce the stigma surrounding mental illness, all while enjoying a lunch catered by Manny's at the Hull House, founded by Jane Addams in 1889.

Wednesday September 21, 2016
11:30 am - 1:00 pm
Hull House
800 S. Halsted Street, Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)



Changing the Discourse About Community Violence

To Prevent It, We Have to Talk About It

Community violence can feel constant, extreme and inevitable if prevention isn't visible in the discourse. It will be easier to make the big changes our communities need to prevent violence if the narrative around it is changed.

Join [Berkeley Media Studies Group](#) and [Prevention Institute](#), with support from the Northern California Kaiser Permanente Community Benefit Department, for a webinar to discuss their recent study on news portrayals of community violence.

Wednesday September 21, 2016
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

More information and registration [here](#)



April 24-25

SAVE THE DATE

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

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May 3-6

SAVE THE DATE

10th Annual National Conference
on Health Disparities (New
Orleans, LA) -- Early Bird Discount
(Register by December 1)

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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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*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

Heavy L.I.F.T.ing

*An Intermediate Workshop on LinkedIn,
Instagram, Facebook and Twitter*

This [Public Narrative](#) training is geared towards the
intermediate and advanced users of LinkedIn, Instagram,
Facebook and Twitter (L.I.F.T.). Discussion of strategy,
timing and platforms will allow you to not only juggle your
social media but be as effective as possible.

Wednesday September 21, 2016
9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Columbia College
33 E. Congress Parkway, Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)

Seat Check Saturday

Simple Steps to Keeping Kids Safe

Accidents, or unintentional injuries, are the leading cause
of death among kids, but the
vast majority of these injuries
can be prevented by taking
simple steps to makes houses
and cars safer for little ones.
[Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's
Hospital of Chicago](#) and [Safe
Kids](#) are teaming up with Costco
Warehouse, the Chicago Fire
Department, the Chicago Park
District, and others to host a free
Car Seat Check-Up Event and
Safety Fair! Families will have the opportunity to have
their car seat checked by a certified technician, talk
with firefighters and check out a real fire engine, sign up
for swim lessons, learn simple home safety tips, play
games, win cool prize s and more!

The logo for SAFE KIDS CHICAGO. The word "SAFE" is in a large, bold, black sans-serif font. Below it, "K:DS" is in a large, bold, blue sans-serif font, with a colon between the 'K' and 'D'. Underneath that, "CHICAGO" is in a smaller, bold, black sans-serif font.

Saturday, September 24, 2016
10:00 am - 1:00 pm
South Loop Costco
1430 S. Ashland Ave., Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)

Storytelling with Impact

Developing Skills to Motivate

How do you move audiences to action? There must be a
connection to them, heart-to-heart. Only great storytelling
can do that effectively. This [Public Narrative](#) training will
show how to craft stories that will captivate audiences.

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!



Newsletter Content

To have an event or article included in SCY's bi-monthly update, email Kirstin Grabski at kgrabski@luriechildrens.org



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.

Wednesday, September 28, 2016
9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Columbia College
33 E. Congress Parkway, Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)

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Understanding Adulthood & Building Partnerships with Youth

Youth-Led Social Change

This [Chicago Freedom School](#) (CFS) interactive training is for adults who work with youth. Adulthood is a form of oppression that perpetuates age-based stereotypes and limits the potential for intergenerational power-building. Participants will explore strategies to dismantle adulthood and strengthen skills to build strong youth-adult partnerships for youth-led social change. This workshop is co-facilitated by CFS youth leaders.

Saturday, October 1, 2016

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Chicago Freedom School

719 South State Street, #3N, Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)



Youth Artist Contest

Youth with Experience in the Juvenile Justice System

The [Youth First Initiative](#) is sponsoring a cover art contest for young people ages 13 to 19 who have experience with the juvenile justice system. Youth First will feature the winning artwork as the cover photo on our Facebook and Twitter pages as well as on their website. The winner will

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 Kelli Day at kday@luriechildrens.org.

receive a \$200 prize. The suggested themes include the following: What do you want the world to know about youth incarceration? What would a world without youth prisons look like? How can we work together to close youth prisons and invest in alternatives?



Submission Due:
October 1, 2016

More information and submission [here](#)

Social Media 3-Day Bootcamp

Intermediate: Engagement and Strategy

Are you on Facebook but struggling with engagement? Do you tweet but find it overwhelming? It's time to hone your strategy, understand your voice and become a thought leader. Boost, Periscope, analyze and get yourself set up on a calendar for success in this three-part workshop. After this [Public Narrative](#) workshop, you will be able to measure results and engagement.

Wednesday, October 5, 12 & 19, 2016
9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Columbia College
33 E. Congress, Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)



Intergenerational Community Organizing Training Series

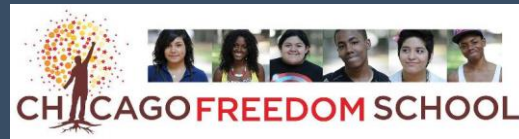
Part 1: Facilitation and Popular Education Skills

Creating engaging learning and skill building sessions is vital to all youth organizations as well as community organizing efforts. In this session hosted by [Chicago Freedom School](#), participants will explore the fundamentals of popular education and how it has been used as a tool for organizing across multiple issues. They will ask what the role of facilitation is in creating dynamic interactive workshops while also practicing facilitation skills and creating innovative agendas on relevant topics.

This event is offered on a sliding scale and dinner is provided.

Wednesday, October 5, 2016
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Chicago Freedom School
719 S. State Street, Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)



Moving Towards the Future of Social Work Practice

*Latino Social Workers Organization (LSWO)
Conference 2016*

The [Latino Social Workers Organization](#) (LSWO) invites all social workers, counselors, psychologists, community organizers, nonprofit professionals, etc. to join 3 days of continuing education focused on social work practice with Latinos. This is an opportunity to network, share, and learn for all human service professionals. Share this information with your colleagues and come as a group.

Wednesday, October 12 to Friday, October 14, 2016
8:00 am - 5:00 pm
University of Illinois-Chicago
Conference Center, 750 South Halsted, Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)

We Are Stronger When We Speak with One Voice

*National Alliance on Mental Illness
(NAMI) Educational Conference*

Join [NAMI](#) and keynote speaker CEO Mary Giliberti, JD, for the Illinois Conference in scenic Techny, Illinois. Meetings and breakout sessions featuring several other speakers and experts on mental health will take place over the course of this 2-day event.

Friday, October 14, 2016
8:30 am - 8:30 pm

Saturday, October 15, 2016
8:30 am - 5:00 pm

Techny Towers Conference and Retreat Center
2001 Waukegan Road, Northbrook, IL

More information and registration [here](#)



Call for Submissions

Annual Conference on Adolescent Health

The [University of Michigan Health System](#) (MHS) Adolescent Health Initiative has issued a Call for Submissions for the 2017 Conference on Adolescent Health. They are accepting submissions from researchers, professionals and/or students to present an oral research session, lead an interactive breakout session, or present a poster on clinical care, innovative programming, quality improvement, training and education, or other related topics within adolescent health.

Submission Due:
Monday, October 17, 2016
4:00 pm

More information and submission [here](#)



2016 Prevent Child Abuse Illinois Statewide Conference

*Creating Great Childhoods . . . The Building
Blocks of Prevention*

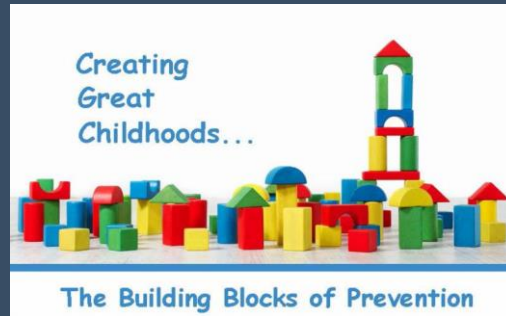
The 22nd Annual [Prevent Child Abuse Illinois](#) statewide conference will be here soon enough, it's almost time to start registering. It features 3 plenary sessions and 24 breakout sessions addressing current and emerging issues in the field. A must attend for professionals working with children and families in social work, medicine, teaching, counseling, child protection, law enforcement, early childhood, and more.

Thursday, October 20, 2016
7:30 am - 5:00 pm

Friday, October 21, 2016
7:00 am - 12:45 pm

Wyndham Springfield City Centre Hotel
700 E. Adams Street, Springfield, IL

More information and registration [here](#)



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