SCY Training Series
Community Collaboration for Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Implementation

It is well-known that sexual abuse and misconduct can occur in child-centered activities and youth programs. In 2015, Chicago Children's Advocacy Center and Chicago Park District collaborated to impact the safety of over 200,000 children through the “Keeping Children Safe” Prevention Education Program. Through both in-person and online training, and administrative consultation, “Keeping Children Safe” addresses risk factors for sexual abuse on both an individual and organizational level.

Greetings!

As violence prevention stakeholders, we know all too well the toll that gun violence takes on youth, families and communities. It's time to raise awareness and raise our voices. June 2 is Gun Violence Awareness Day -- #WearOrange to show your support for common sense gun violence prevention. In Illinois, we have the opportunity to hold gun dealers accountable and keep guns out of the hands of people who shouldn't have them. Contact your state representative today to show your support for HB 1016, the Gun Dealer Licensing Act.

Sincerely,

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

Mental Health Awareness Symposium
Join the Conversation

May is National Mental Health Awareness Month and in light of this observance the Reginald Sewell Foundation and the University of Illinois-Mile Square Health Center are hosting this symposium and panel discussion focused on adolescent and adult mental health, self harm, and state funding. Download the agenda here.

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Friday, May 20, 2016
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm
University of Illinois
Mile Square Health Center
2nd Floor Staff Lounge
1220 South Wood Street, Chicago

For additional information, contact Vikki Webster at vwebst2@uic.edu

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Call for Applications

Tuesday, June 21, 2016
1:00 pm - 4:30 pm
check-in begins at 1:00 pm
meeting starts at 1:30 pm
**Abriendo Puertas/Opening Doors Facilitator Training Institute**

The [Latino Policy Forum](http://www.latinopolicyforum.org) is hosting its 7th Abriendo Puertas/Opening Doors Facilitator Training Institute. The Institute uses a train-the-trainer model to disseminate the curriculum throughout the state of Illinois. The Forum trains staff from agencies and school districts to become facilitators of the Abriendo Puertas program and provide sessions to parents within their respective communities. Abriendo Puertas is the nation's first evidence-based, popular education, parent leadership program designed primarily for Spanish-speaking parents of children age five and under.

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**APPLICATION DEADLINE**
Friday, May 20, 2016

**TRAINING INSTITUTE**
June 22-24, 2016

More information and application submission [here](http://www.latinopolicyforum.org).

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**Who Is Your Neighbor?**

**Community Conversation and Forum**

Join faith-based leaders, community activists, gun violence prevention advocates, law enforcement, and your neighbors for a conversation and call to action to end gun violence in Chicago together.

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Saturday, May 21, 2016
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church
708 West Belmont Avenue, Chicago
For more information email vgroark@aol.com

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**Upcoming Events & Important Dates**

**May 19**
*Health Insurance Coverage Parity - Rockford*
[LEARN MORE](http://www.latinopolicyforum.org)

**May 19**
*Chicago School Policy Forum Breakfast Series: Energy for Change--Young People's Quest for Meaning, Identity, and Relevance*
[LEARN MORE](http://www.latinopolicyforum.org)

**May 20**
*Mental Health Awareness Symposium*
[READ MORE](http://www.latinopolicyforum.org)

**May 20**
*Application Deadline Latino Policy Forum: Abriendo Puertas/Opening Doors Facilitator Training Institute*
[READ MORE](http://www.latinopolicyforum.org)

**May 20**
*2nd Annual ABCD Conference (Autism, Behavior, and Complex Medical Needs - Downstate)*
[LEARN MORE](http://www.latinopolicyforum.org)

**May 21**
*Who is Your Neighbor?*
[READ MORE](http://www.latinopolicyforum.org)

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**Co-occurring Psychiatric Illness and Substance Use in Youth**
Community Conversation

**American Academy of Pediatrics Webinar**

Youth with substance use disorder frequently have co-occurring psychiatric symptoms/diagnoses. This webinar aimed at general pediatricians and pediatric subspecialists, will focus on relevant clinical epidemiology on co-occurring psychiatric illness and substance use disorder; provide tools to aid in recognizing symptoms of common psychiatric illness; and demonstrate sample approaches to substance use screening with focus on detecting risk in settings where opioids may be prescribed.

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**Tuesday, May 24, 2016**

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

More information and registration [here](#)

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May 24

Co-occurring Psychiatric Illness and Substance Use in Youth Webinar

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2016 Statewide Suicide Prevention Training

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Research Forum: Trauma and Posttraumatic Stress in Criminal Justice Populations

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May 24

Measuring Trauma-Informed Practice: Tools for Organizations Webinar

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May 25

Chicago Justice Project Forum: Police Accountability in Chicago

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May 25

Healthy Chicago 2.0 Town Hall

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May 25

Health Insurance Coverage Parity - Normal, IL

[LEARN MORE](#)

May 26

Research Symposium 2016: Translating Research Into Practice

[LEARN MORE](#)

May 26

Mikva Challenges 14th Annual Action Civics Showcase

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May 27

Put the Guns Down: 3rd Annual Faith and Action Kick Off

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**Measuring Trauma-Informed Practice**

**Tools for Organizations Webinar**

Given the high rates of trauma exposure in the general population, health and human service providers recognize the need to integrate trauma-informed practice (TIP) into their work. TIP supports, empowers, and respects service users and staff, and prioritizes the voices of program participants in all levels of the organization. As organizations move toward becoming more trauma-informed, they need ways to measure their progress in implementing trauma-informed principles and practices. This webinar hosted by Defending Childhood, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention and Futures Without Violence will highlight two empirically supported measures of trauma-informed practice.

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**Wednesday, May 25, 2016**

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

More information and registration [here](#)

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**Police Accountability in Chicago**

**Chicago Justice Project Forum**

The ongoing investigation initiated by the United States Department of Justice Civil Rights Division into the Chicago Police Department has potential to lead to great change within
the police accountability system; however, there are also significant limitations to the power of federal officials to force meaningful change. Chicago's civil community will have to step up and make sure any voids left by the federal investigation are filled. This forum is intended to be the start of discussions between experts on police accountability and the civil community in Chicago looking towards creating meaningful lasting change in both policing and the police accountability system in Chicago.

Wednesday, May 25, 2016
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Chicago-Kent College of Law
Illinois Institute of Technology, Morrise Hall
565 West Adams Street, Chicago

More information and registration here

14th Annual Action Civics Showcase
Celebration of Youth Activism

Now in its 14th year, the Mikva Challenge Action Civics Showcase is attended by civic, business, education and philanthropic leaders in Chicago, who engage directly with youth activists and teachers from 60+ Chicagoland high schools and middle schools. The Action Civics Showcase features presentations by teen leaders on projects that work to solve pressing school and community issues.

Interested in volunteering as a project judge, contact Karla Castilla at karla@mikvachallenge.org or 312-863-6351.

Thursday, May 26, 2016
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Venue SIX10 (within the Spertus Institute Building)
610 S Michigan Ave, Chicago

More information and registration here

Put the Guns Down
3rd Annual Faith and Action Kick Off

This city-wide call to organize anti-violence activities and events across Chicago to show presence and solidarity encourages all Chicago residents, community organizations, block clubs, faith groups, businesses, and institutions to host something that is
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November 16
SCY Quarterly Meeting: SCY’s Policy Agenda Progress and Update for 2017-2018
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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.

21st Annual Walk for Peace
Humboldt Park People Power

Join ALSO to celebrate the launch of a new program focused on community collaboration and resident empowerment. ALSO will partner with Logan Square Ecumenical Alliance to mobilize the Humboldt Park community around safety.

SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 2016
10:30 AM - 8:00 PM
McCormick Tribune YMCA
1834 North Lawndale Avenue, Chicago

More information here

The Power of Fathers
Fathers for New Futures Symposium

The Power of Fathers symposium is hosted by Fathers for New Futures, a collaborative to strengthen and support low-income minority fathers’ relationships with their children, family and community. Fathers for New Futures is a collaboration between: Children’s Home + Aid, Family Focus, Metropolitan Family Services and Fathers, Families & Healthy Communities.

TUESDAY, JUNE 7, 2016
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Kennedy King College
740 West 63rd Street, Chicago
If you are interested in being a guest blogger, check out our Blog Guidelines to get started. Contact Kelli Day with questions!

Lead a SCY Training
Share your expertise, experience, knowledge, and lessons learned

Strengthening Chicago’s Youth hosts capacity-building 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.

Newsletter Content
To have an event or article included in SCY’s bi-monthly update, email Kelli Day at kday@luriechildrens.org.

Behavioral Health Services Survey
Resource Allocation and Health Policy

In order to better address the behavioral health needs of residents, the Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH) is launching an assessment to evaluate the capacity of the behavioral health service system in Chicago. Agencies that provide services addressing mental health, substance abuse or violence will complete an electronic survey describing the types of services offered, number and type of staff employed and demographics of consumers served. CDPH will analyze the data collected from the surveys, and publish a report to inform community decisions regarding resource allocation and health policy.

SURVEY CLOSES
Wednesday, June 8, 2016

To participant send your contact info to Tamara Rushovich at 312-745-0097 or capacityassessment@cityofchicago.org

Integrating Primary and Behavioral Health Care Through the Lens of Prevention Conference
To Improve Population Level Outcomes

Integration is the rage currently in health care. However, few if any programs place an emphasis on the integration of prevention of addiction and/or mental illness with primary care. This conference hosted by the Southwest Prevention Center at The University of Oklahoma is designed to begin filling gaps in the research about, education on, and practice of integrated care and the role of prevention science in reaching the desired outcomes of that care.

July 12-15, 2016
InterContinental Hotel New Orleans
New Orleans, Louisiana

More information and registration here
# Funding Opportunities

For assistance developing research projects or connecting with research partners, please contact Rebecca Levin at rlevin@luriechildrens.org.

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<td>Dept. of Justice, Office of Justice Programs</td>
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**Job Postings**

If you have a position you would like posted here, please send the position title, organizations, contact person, brief description and full job description to Kelli Day at kday@luriechildrens.org.

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| **Position: Program Manager for Victim Services and Case Management**  
**Organizations: Institute for Nonviolence Chicago**  
**Contact: To apply, please send a cover letter along with your resume to institutechicago@gmail.com** | The Institute for Nonviolence Chicago is currently seeking a Program Manager to supervise Victim Services and Case Management. This position will oversee a team of victim advocates and case managers working to support “in-risk” individuals and victims and their families. The goal is to provide case management support to individuals who are involved in conflict while also supporting victims of violence. In this respect, the Institute for Nonviolence Chicago’s Program Manager for Victim Services and Case Management, builds on current national best practices that incorporate outreach, victim support services and nonviolence.  
[Full job description](#) |
| **Position: Y.O.U. Inspire Fellow**  
**Organization: Youth & Opportunity United (Y.O.U.)** | Y.O.U. is pleased to announce its Inspire Fellows Program for the summer of 2016. The fellowship offers recent high school graduates, undergraduate and graduate students a full-time opportunity to learn best-practices in youth development and to |
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<th>Position: Human Resources Fellow</th>
<th>Y.O.U. is pleased to begin recruitment for its Human Resources Fellowship for the Summer of 2016. This position offers a unique growth opportunity for individuals thinking about a career in Human Resources or Nonprofits. The intern will be assigned to assist professional staff with providing recruitment, employee onboarding and HR support to various divisions within the Y.O.U. organization.</th>
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<th>Position: Development and Communications Coordinator</th>
<th>Y.O.U. is seeking a Development and Communications Coordinator. Reporting to the Director of Development, with a dotted line to the Executive Director, this Coordinator will assist the development team through database management and event preparation and will support the organization by managing key communications, including the annual report, newsletters, and social media. The position is well-suited for candidates with exceptional writing and interpersonal skills and an interest in non-profit fundraising and/or communications.</th>
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<th>The Project Director will manage all project operations and supervise/facilitate all project staff activities. This will cover areas of recruiting, training, interviewing, chairing of meetings, coordinating activities with consultants, writing reports, and assisting the PI in developing budgets and timelines. Job ID 2054.</th>
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