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CONFERENCE 2019**

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Our conference provides comprehensive professional development to diverse participants, such as Head Start Teachers, Family Service Workers, Child Welfare Workers, Fatherhood Practitioners, Criminal Justice Professionals in Probation, Parole, Health-Care and Maternal and Child Professionals, Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapist, and others working with children and families daily.

EARLY CONFERENCE REGISTRATION OPEN

Member \$285
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SPECIAL TALK SPEAKERS & EXPERTS

An international faculty of workshop presenters from Scotland, Australia, Puerto Rico, and over twenty-states over this 4-day event. Sessions Included Early Childhood Education, Family Engagement, Social Policy & Advocacy, Child Welfare, Wellness, Fatherhood Practitioners, Trauma Informed Care Models, Networking and More.

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www.fathersandfamiliescoalition.org/conferences.html



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WELCOME

Twenty-years of bringing together talented individuals to help those working with families, children, and parents receive cutting-edge information, skill-building, and more started at rural Arizona Head Start agency. Twenty-years goes into a new generation of professionals working with parents, organizations in service of their communities, and parent attendees seeking added inspiration as parents to give children a better life.

The conference in 2019 will be dynamic, because of the diverse presenters, tremendous staff support, outstanding volunteers and a vision of finding a cause bigger than self. The vision of Fathers and Families Coalition has expanded the horizons with a growing membership and affiliated agency based in regions throughout the United States, Australia, Africa, China, Caribbean, and United Kingdom, with more coming. Call to action for attendees to be part of the Fathers and Families Coalition and promote the unique positive influences of fatherhood and motherhood for children, our present not just our future.

In 2019, we will host exceptional workshops, the featured Talk Presenters will give unique skills but a depth of inspiration, special seminars are intended for advanced professional development, our special events included in all full-registrations ends with our closing gala to increase opportunities beyond networking in building sustain professional connections. We are planning on added speakers and events to an already exceptional event with speakers from Australia, Scotland, Puerto Rico, and regions throughout the United States. Stay connected to keep up to date.

In Service,

James G. Rodriguez
CEO and President



FEATURED TALK PRESENTERS



Dr. Aida Diaz
President
Asociación de Maestros de
Puerto Rico
San Juan, Puerto Rico



Dr. Armon Perry
Assistant Professor
Kent School of Social Work
University of Louisville
Louisville, Kentucky



Jarrett Patton, MD
Board Certified Pediatrician
CEO of DoctorJarret, PLLC
Reading, Pennsylvania



Dr. Carolyn Curtis, LMFT
Author and Therapist
Founder of the Relationship
Skills Center
Sacramento, California



Dr. Rosina McAlpine
Founder, President, and CEO
Win Win Parenting, Inc.
Sydney, Australia



Ms. Hyepin Christine Im, CPA, MBA
Founder & President
Faith & Community Empowerment
Los Angeles, California



**Dr. Rufus Sylvester Lynch
ACSW**
Chair of The Strong Families
Commission
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania



Mr. Richard Ramos
Founder, President & CEO
Latino Coalition for
Community Leadership
Santa Barbara, California



Ms. Latasha C. Watts
Founder & President
The Purple Project
Shaker Heights, Ohio



Dr. Maria Napoli, LMSW
Associate Professor
School of Social Work
Arizona State University
Scottsdale, Arizona



Mr. Larry Savala
Founder & President
Hispanic Family Initiative
Houston, Texas



Dr. Lisa Najavits
Director of Treatment Innovations
Adjunct Professor
University of Massachusetts
Medical School
Boston, Massachusetts



Ms. Kathleen Strader
National Director
Healthy Families America National
Office Prevent Child Abuse America
Chicago, Illinois



Ms. Chandra Lopez Brooks
Commissioner, Status of
Women and Girls-Santa
Clara County
San Jose, California



Mr. Shawn "Freshco" Conrad
Hip-Hop/Rapper - Author - Film
Atlanta, Georgia



Dr. Obie Clayton, JR.
Edmund Ware Chair &
Distinguished Professor
Clark Atlanta University



R. Anna Hayward, Ph.D., MSW
Associate Professor,
School of Social Welfare
Stony Brook University,
New York



Ola Akinwe
Founder
Boys Mentoring Advocacy
Network
Lagos, Nigeria

INCREASING RESILIENCY



Ms. Barbara Coloroso
Greeley, Colorado
The Bully, The Bullied, and The Not-so-innocent Bystander



Dr. Carolyn Curtis
Carmichael, California
Mind Matters: Overcoming Adversity and Building Resilience



Jennifer Auman
Lincoln, Nebraska
I Am Enough. A Look At Resiliency For Parents & Self-Care And Resilience; Strategies To Rebuild Your Bounce!



Dr. Ashley Harrell
Gurnee, Illinois
Empowering Parents of the Future by Addressing Adolescent Trauma



Mr. Delvyn Crawford
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Poor Start, Strong Finish - Finish Strong!



Dr. Felicia Murray with Dr. Sherece Shavel
Fort Worth, Texas
(Un)Invisible Fathers: Affirming Strategies to Recognize and Reverse Paternal Distress



INCREASING RESILIENCY



Mr. Michael Freeman

Los Angeles, California

How To Have Transformative Conversations With A Teenager



Ms. Tana Session

Pasadena, California

From Foster Care To Fabulous - Propel To Success!



Ms. Grace Scott Crockett

Tempe, Arizona

Family Awareness Crisis Education Intervention & Training



Mr. Jesse Jordan with Mr. Lonnie Grant

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

No Longer Invisible: Journey to Empower Homeless Fathers and children



Alvaro Llanos

Washington, District of Columbia

Helping Parents Understand The Effects Of Violence

Mr. Franklyn M. Malone with Ms. Stephanie Meyers

Washington, District of Columbia

Violence De-escalation: Reactionary Masculinity Syndrome for Young Men of Color

FATHERHOOD & CHILD DEVELOPMENT



Dr. Rosina, McAlpine
Wollongong, Australia
Developing Emotional Intelligence In Children Toddler To Teenager



Lora Hunter
Camarillo, California
Supporting Language Development For Young Children And Families



Susie Beltran Grimm
Costa Mesa, California
Innovative Public Media Resources For Early Learning



Barbara Coloroso
Greeley, Colorado
Kids Are Worth It! Parenting With Wit And Wisdom



Debra Sarmiento & Fran Goldfarb
Sacramento, California
Using The CDC's "Learn The Signs. Act Early." Materials



Dr. Nicoline Ambe
Carson, California
7 Steps to Raising A High Achiever

FATHERHOOD & CHILD DEVELOPMENT



Dr. Charles Woodard

Boynton Beach, Florida

How Fathers Enhance Children's Socio-Emotional Development Via Gentle Teaching



Luis Barajas, MSW., and Ana Duarte

Los Angeles, California

Eliminating The Stigma And Barriers In The Classroom



Dr. Annette Miles

Washington, District of Columbia

Family Engagement: Short Projects That Create Lasting Memories



Cedric Nelms

Carson California

Fathering A Generation Without Direction: The Three Cycles of Life

FAMILY & FATHER ENGAGEMENT STRATEGIES



Dr. Rosina McAlpine
 New South Wales, Australia
Thriving Families Through Connection And Life-Skill Education



Mark Perlman
The Nurturing Fatherhood Curriculum Training
 Sarasota, Florida



Mr. Alex Borchardt
 Exeter-Devon, England, United Kingdom
Helping Estranged Fathers - A British Perspective



Eugene Schneeberg
 Fairfax, Virginia
Engaging Fathers: Resources from the National Responsible Fatherhood Clearinghouse



Dr. Nicole Scott with Jamaal Scott
 Pine Hill, New Jersey
Best Practices For Building And Sustaining Father Engagement



Dr. Antonio Harrison
 Pasadena, California
Batman versus Superman: The Super Hero Dad

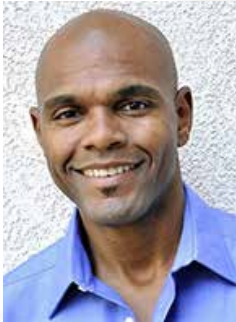
FAMILY & FATHER ENGAGEMENT STRATEGIES



Dr. Tanya Coakley with Dontae' Roberts, LCSW., & Garland Nichols, MSW

Greensboro, North Carolina

Impact of Fathers' Sexual Health Talks on their Sons'



Dr. Jeffrey Woods with Ms. Senta Greene

Valencia, California

Activate The 5 Pillar Performance for Living and Leading



Dr. Lynnette Long

Los Angeles, California

How Do I Gain My Territory Back



Dr. Armon Perry & Dr. Cheri Langley

Louisville, Kentucky

4 Your Child: Dads Making The Difference



Kathleen Roe & Doreen Finley

Trenton, New Jersey

What The Funder Wants? Or The Father's Needs?

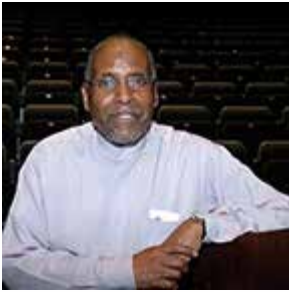


Mr. Kevin Toney

Porter Ranch, California

Winning The Big Game - Relationship Training For Males

FAMILY & FATHER ENGAGEMENT STRATEGIES



Mr. Walter Simpkins with Mr. DC Dunkle
Schenectady, New York
*Building & Re-branding Your Fathers
program-From Relevance to Excellence*



Mr. Jamar Williams
Pittsburg, Pennsylvania
Living on Purpose: Repurposing Lives After Prison



Dr. John Van Epp
San Clemente, California
*Home Run Dads: An Evidenced-Based
At-Home Certification Course*



Mr. Marc Warren and Mr. Carter Patterson
Trenton, New Jersey
The Secrets That Make Us Suck



INTEGRATIVE APPROACHES



Ian Houston
 Carrollton, Georgia
Successfully Establishing And Executing A System-Driven Mission



Adnoris "Bo" Torres
 Grand Rapids, Michigan
Padres Fuertes Initiative: A Holistic Approach To Engaging Latino Fathers



Dr. Carletta Perry-Artis with Shelton Artis
 San Antonio, Texas
Change Your Life Coaching Masterclass: Man, Your Post!



Crissy Butts
 Tomball, Texas
Family Team Building Fresh Fun and New



Dr. Jesse Sanders
 Columbus, Ohio
Redefining Empowered Family Unit Detour Theory



Dr. Henry Hearn, Bishop with Angela Hearn, MSW
 Palmdale, California
The Making of a Queen Takes" a King "Father & Daughter Relationships



INTEGRATIVE APPROACHES



Tina Konkin
Irvine, California
Relationship Lifeline



Serafin Serrano
Anaheim, California
Fierce Compassion: Bold Healing-Centered Practices



Linda Rouseau
Scottsdale, Arizona
I Am Ready To Open My Eyes



Dr. Terri Horton
Chino Hills, California
How Artificial Intelligence Recruiting Systems Impact Job Access



Shanne Sowards
Milwaukie, Oregon
Unpacking the Mystery of Serving Teen Fathers



Dr. Chacko Abraham
La Paz, Bolivia
A Fatherless Journey: The Impact of Absent Fathers

Guillermo & Maria Hernandez

Downey, California

Methods for New Immigrant Families-Honoring Traditions The Land, Community, And Stories

Rob Dawalt

Anderson, Indiana

Technology Enhancing Fatherhood Engagement



Aaron Jordan Jr.

Murfreesboro, Tennessee

Revamp Relationship How to Heal before Moving On

SPECIAL EVENTS

Interfaith Session Before Complimentary Morning Breakfast

The year prior to the very first conference hosted by Fathers and Families Coalition, Mr. Leonard G. Knight, MPA, President of 100 Black Men of Phoenix counseled the founder and now President and Chief Executive Officer of Fathers and Families Coalition of America (James Rodriguez) what a special opportunity to infuse discussion of faith and family. The vision to bring together how faith has an essential role in the development of healthy communities, families, and fathers. The important call to action taken to ensure the time together would not be one that renounces a religious or principle but discussions on how faith community could be partners working with the practitioner to collectively work with families.

The interfaith sessions over the time have introduced individuals to ancient traditions and wisdom of indigenous First Nation attendees, common grounds of varied Christian denominations, Judaism, Muslim, Hinduism, Sikhism, and from members of government overseeing Interfaith and Neighborhood Partnerships.



FFCA hosted different speakers from Super Bowl champion, Brent Jones, San Francisco 49ers how football became a tool to stress the importance of his marriage and faith. Wednesday, March 6, 2019, from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. join for a constructive, and positive interaction between people of different religious traditions with a focus on how collectively improve the needs of individuals and families.

The coming together from diverse backgrounds allows learning from a place of commonalities to support and advocate for the needs of others as pictured and we hope you join us early on Wednesday, March 6, 2019, before a hearty breakfast.

Following the Interfaith Session is a time for a full-plated breakfast and opening of the second day's general session and Talk Speakers, "Wellness For Families & Communities."

SPECIAL EVENTS

Sunday Brunch & Beach Day

After many requests to develop networking opportunities to enjoy new connections, time with family and friends. FFCA has established an optional purchase for lite brunch on Sunday, March 3, 2019, leaving for Redondo and Venice Beaches for shopping, site-seeing, even going into the Pacific Ocean returning late afternoon as a relaxing day as limited space opportunity for conference attendees and open to their guests.



Night on the Stars

Join colleagues after checking in, attending a day of training, or expanding your trip with a tour to the globally renowned Hollywood Walk of Fame. Enjoy capturing new memories and taking in a part of Los Angeles often missed for conference attendees. The tour bus will leave the Hilton Hotel by 4:30 p.m. returning by 8:00 p.m. with an opportunity for conference attendees and their guests to purchase this limited tour that is space limited, have fun Monday, March 4, 2019 exploring Hollywood.

Opening Night

Every year, FFCA hosts on the first day of the general convention an opening night where hundreds of attendees gather to enjoy the hosted lite dinner, beverages, entertainment, and a special meet the authors. FFCA is planning on hosting with the Hilton LAX Hotel a buffet dinner with beverages for conference attendees as a complimentary program. Non-paid attendees or guests of attendees and speakers may purchase a ticket to join in the night under the stars with live jazz performers, a return of salsa, merengue, and cha-cha dance lessons, great disc jockey but the highlight are the authors. Presenters will set-up tables and share with the audience in rapid rotations the power of their publications with the book signing from very diverse and talented authors as a great night of networking and fun, Tuesday, March 5, 2019



CLOSING GALA HONORING COUPLES, FATHERS, AND LEADERS

Complimentary for Attendees: During our national conference, we host Dr. Ramon and Dr. Yolanda Nieves Family Affair Red Tie/Red Dress Gala that in 2019 is included in all full-conference fees, exhibitor fees, and open the public for a modest event ticketing fee. Twenty-years of tireless work, countless talented speakers, tens of thousands of attendees globally, and servant leaders make this a special night. March 7, 2019, is the closing day for a well-planned event that ends with a night of inspiration, new connections, strengthen of skills, and looking to support the next generation of leaders, community advocates, selfless individuals, transformational parents, and healthy communities.

The annual gala has roots from awards bestowed to individuals since 2002, and these have been presented to Head Start parents, community advocates, grassroots workers, champions for families and children, such as Congresswoman Maxine Waters, Arizona Governor Janet Napolitano, musical icons Gladys Knight and her husband William McDowell, Mr. Eddie Levert of the O'Jay's, Cedric the Entertainer and as Cedric's son shared, "My dad is getting an award for what he should be doing, being a great dad!" We have honored leaders such as Tommy Dortch, Jr. President of 100 Black Men of America, Honorable John S. Martinez, President of the National Hispanic Conference of State Legislators and California State Senator, Leeland Yee, Los Angeles Renowned Advocate, Josefa Salinas as well as many others have been honored at our national conference and gala from Wounded Warrior Honorees as role models as dads, couples, and advocates.



CLOSING GALA HONORING COUPLES, FATHERS, AND LEADERS

The Honorable Stanley Seiderman National Father of the Year Award established with the FFCA to recognize fathers who are righteous and upright men in their communities. Ethel Seiderman, then widow created criteria prior her to meeting her beloved after her passing in 2016. Since 2006, she requested this National Father of the Year Award goes to not those will greater opportunities but for those who went through have risen above their adversities to become “Righteous and Upright Men.” Mrs. Seiderman wanted the nomination(s) to come from the community and share how the nominated father(s) have offered their time and talents to enhance children, youth and families. It was her request to highlight fathers who have used the powerful role of fatherhood with an active lifestyle to a cause bigger than themselves by making a positive contribution to their children, as well as youth and families in their community.

National Couples of Excellence Awardees examine the legacies of marriage, strengthening families and perseverance. Vision to Celebrate Families, Healthy Relationships, Marriages, and Living Legacies: “How do some couples who overcome great perils and storms of marriage? What strategies can they share with attendees, marriage and fatherhood programs, multi-faith marriage & community-based organizations to help support marriage and take inventory to reduce divorce and impacts on spouses, children, families and our communities for Dr. Gene & Sarah Barbara Blue – Couples of Excellence Award.



SPECIAL EVENTS



Men2Men: Let There Be Men

Encore! Wednesday, March 6, 2019, as requested by the men who attended the 2018 national conference to bring back this night for men to discuss the strengths of men, developing throughout various moments in the life of manhood. In 2018, this was a moving and powerful moment. FFCA Affiliate and first African American Mayor of Lancaster, California, Bishop Henry Hearn (ret.), Community Advocate, Mr. Serafin Serrano of Anaheim, California, Two-tour Iraq, and Afghanistan Veteran, Mr. Alex Rodriguez at Oceanside, California and Fatherhood Practitioner, Mr. Delvyn Crawford, Milwaukee, Wisconsin to facilitate this special event. The call to action for this Wednesday evening special event, based on a poem, "Let There Be Men."



Women2Women: Elevating Your Masterpiece

FFCA Consultant, Dr. Lisa DT Page-Sistrunk of Atlanta, Georgia with Linda Rousseau, of Scottsdale, Arizona take on the opportunity from numerous requests from attendees to have a special Wednesday, March 6, 2019 event to discuss the power of women blended with the needs to advance as women, mothers, spouses, leaders, and for self. The call to action is a call for fellowship, growing insights, sharing of wisdom, and stories of strength, you do not want to miss out!

Looking Forward: Regional Networking

Thursday, March 7, 2019, FFCA will shift from the morning general session into three comfortable and interactive networking sessions where attendees can discuss projects with expert speakers that present throughout the conference. It's an excellent opportunity for attendees in the latter parts of the 20th Annual Conference! Looking Forward will feature networking sessions in separate rooms. Each room will have a focus on a topic, and networking of attendees based on attending as a parent, practitioner, or executive. This set-up is ideal for the attendees to interact with both speakers from those three areas as well as it allows everyone to get to know each other and leaves enough time to follow-up during the closing workshop sessions, breaks, and an evening gala. Optional networking sessions will be provided after the 20th Annual Conference facilitated by FFCA for the several networking sessions offered. Networking will provide one more added value: by helping to use the information, resources, workshops, and connections to advance the needs of attendees.

SPECIAL TRAINING SEMINARS

MONDAY, MARCH 4, 2019

8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Fathers and Families Coalition of America

PRACTITIONER CREDENTIAL

Fathers and Families Coalition of America has created comprehensive training for new and advanced practitioners. The credential training is 15-hours as well as an approved continuing education program with an in-person event, followed with virtual post-conference training, and a practicum to complete the program requirements. The Advanced Practitioner Credential is a comprehensive training for helping professionals with integrated strategies with a focus on working with young parents, intervention around trauma, Motivational Interviewing (MI) with integrated Cognitive Behavioral, Cognitive Processing, and Schematic interventions to meet the needs of new frontline workers and seasoned professionals working with parents, children and families. The description does not fully relay the fun, thoughtfulness, and reflective opportunities in the classroom with the materials that challenge attendees and instructors how to make a difference working with others by enhancing skills.

The methods of instructions and limiting the class size allows for an environment that fosters either new skill building and or enhancing skills with specific integrative approaches and intervention, culturally appropriate methods, evaluation, and required practicum for the credential. FFCA will include an emphasis on portions of the training to focus on training practitioners to use with parents, e.g., DiSC, EQ, Mindfulness, Stress Reduction, and Safety to foster wellness, healthy communications, and building on strengths. FFCA Practitioner Credential is a requirement for those who want to go through a master level program or our fatherhood life coach program that expands on applying and teaching other skills introduced. The course as a 200+page manual revised September 2018 with increased areas on MI and Mindfulness. The manuals are optional, however, each past attendee without the accompanying manual(s) has requested post-training.

PARTIAL GOALS

1. Greater knowledge and implementation of evidence-based and best practices for promoting nurturing and responsible fathering
2. Greater understanding and application of evidence-based and best practices for Trauma-Informed Systems of Care for Men/Fathers
3. Adopt the uniform core competencies, evidence-based curricula, and screening tools
4. Participants will reach a broader range of the community, culturally appropriate methods, engagement and retention of fathers in service deliverables
5. Development of best practices for practitioners concerning children, youth and their families as appropriate approaches and interventions in serving the community incorporating fatherhood services.
6. Greater collective implications through organizations from different sectors working together to improve parenting and child well-being

* There are only 30 seats available for this special advanced training seminar. Participants must be registered paid attendee for either for a one-day attendance option or full-conference attendance option to participate in this special seminar.

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SPECIAL TRAINING SEMINARS

TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2019

10:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Mark Perlman

NURTURING FATHERS PROGRAM FACILITATORS TRAINING

Sarasota, Florida

(follows morning opening general session)

SAMHSA National Registry of Evidence-based recognizes the Nurturing Father's Program

Programs and Practices as a proven effective curriculum that teaches nurturing attitudes and skills to men. What the research says: The overwhelming conclusion from a large amount of available research and evidence is that children and families greatly benefit from the presence and participation of a Nurturing Father. Specifically, "participants in The Nurturing Father's Program improved in their understanding of the developmental capabilities of children, improved in the ability to demonstrate empathy towards the needs of children. Improved practice outcomes reported the use of alternative strategies to corporal punishment, increased understanding and acceptance of the needs of self and children, and increased in the value placed on children feeling empowered". ("Parental Attitudes and Behavior of Participants in The Nurturing Father's Program," Daire A.P., Greenidge, W.L., & Johnson, N.M.). In a separate research study, these outcomes were validated for African-American, Hispanic and Caucasian fathers. What the NFP graduates say: "...a fantastic journey/education into learning healthy fathering". "...the most valuable tool for me and my family's success and unity". "Forget all the books, audio, and what your family and relatives have said and taken this course." "This program changed my life." What I say: "Every child deserves a Nurturing Father!"

Attendees will receive a meaningful and memorable learning experience to become a Nurturing Fathers Program Facilitator!

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SPECIAL TRAINING SEMINARS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 2019

1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

SEEKING SAFETY PROGRAM FACILITATORS TRAINING

Dr. Lisa Najavits, Director of Treatment Innovations

Adjunct Professor, University of Massachusetts Medical School
Boston, Massachusetts

Seeking Safety Facilitators Training is an evidence-based model for trauma and substance abuse—with a focus on men. Anyone who attends can implement Seeking Safety in their set if they choose to. Seeking Safety teaches present-focused coping skills to help clients attain safety in their lives. It is highly flexible and can be conducted in any setting by a wide range of practitioners and peers. There are up to 25 treatment topics, each representing a safe coping skill relevant to trauma and substance abuse, such as “Asking for Help,” “Creating Meaning,” “Compassion” and “Healing from Anger.” Topics did in any order, and the classes or intervention can be done in few or many sessions as time allows. Seeking Safety strives to increase hope through an emphasis on ideals; it offers exercises, emotionally evocative language, and quotations to engage patients; attends to clinician processes and provide concrete strategies to build recovery skills.

In this training, we cover (a) an overview of Seeking Safety; and (b) critical points on clinical implementation. Assessment tools and national resources provided with the video, exercises, and discussion. This approach centers on five principles philosophies:

1. Safety is the highest priority to begin the recovery process and throughout the recovery process, specifically focusing on attaining security in relationships, thinking, behavior, and emotions.
2. Integrated treatment of PTSD and substance use concurrently.
3. Focus on ideals to counteract loss occurred through PTSD and substance use.
4. Addressing four major content areas: cognitive, behavioral, interpersonal, and case management, and
5. Attention to the clinical process.

The concept of safety interwoven into each unit, with the idea that protection allows for forwarding movement in the trauma recovery process. Safety is defined as discontinuing substance use, eliminating suicidality and suicidal ideation, minimizing exposure to high-risk behavior, letting go of unhealthy relationships (platonic and romantic), gaining control over PTSD symptoms (depression, dissociation, hyperarousal, anger, etc...), and ending self-harming behaviors. Clients learn to both prioritize their safety, in addition to taking responsibility for their safety.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 2019

1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Healthy Relationships - How to Avoid Falling for a Jerk/Jenrette:

Instructor Certification Program

Dr. John Van Epp, Founder & CEO

Love Thinks, LLC

San Clemente, California

The collaboration with FFCA and Love Thinks, LLC presents a unique opportunity for full-conference paid attendees. This no-cost training is a first step toward becoming certified in the evidence-based and internationally-used curriculum, How to Avoid Falling for a Jerk(ette). Help singles develop skills for effectively building a relationship with the Relationship Attachment Model (RAM) by setting boundaries, pacing attachment, intimacy, trust, sex and commitment. It also teaches singles the five areas to explore in a dating relationship that, throughout research, have been shown to be predictive of marital quality and longevity. Those who attend can purchase the Instructor Certification Course that can be viewed and learned from their homes at a 20% discount (\$280 plus S/H).

The youth version of this program is taught in High Schools throughout the country, the adult version in community initiatives, social agencies, and re-entry programs; the military version has been taught by all branches for over 15 years, and the Christian version in churches/single organizations. (available English, Spanish & Chinese).

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SCHEDULE AT-A-GLANCE

Sunday, March 3, 2019

9:00 a.m. Brunch***Ticketed Event

11:00 a.m. Beach Tour ***Ticketed Event

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Volunteer Orientation & TBD National Affiliate and Member Networking

Monday, March 4, 2018

7:30a.m – 6:00 p.m. Registration

8:30a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Advanced Practitioner Credential Training ***Separate Registration Fee

4:30p.m. – 8:00p.m.

A Night on the Stars***Ticketed Event

SCHEDULE AT-A-GLANCE

Tuesday, March 5, 2019

Welcome & Grand Opening of the 20th Annual Conference & Exhibitions

Registration

8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Exhibits

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 a.m.

General Session and Opening Talk Session

8:30 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Workshop Block I

10:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Workshop Block II

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Workshop Block III

3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Nurturing Fathers Training

10:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

SCHEDULE AT-A-GLANCE

Wednesday, March 6, 2019

Day-Two of The 20th Annual Conference & Exhibitions

Registration

7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Exhibits

7:00 a.m. – 5:00 a.m.

Interfaith Open Session

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

Hosted Breakfast for Paid Conference Attendees

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

General Session and Opening Talk Session

9:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Workshop Block IV

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Workshop Block V

2:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

Seeking Safety Program Facilitators Training

1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Men2Men: Let There Be Men

5:00 p.m. – TBD***lite meal provided

Women2Women: Elevating Your Masterpiece

5:00 p.m. - TBD***lite meal provided

SCHEDULE AT-A-GLANCE

Thursday, March 7, 2019

Day-Three of The 20th Annual Conference & Exhibitions

Registration

7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Exhibits

7:00 a.m. – 5:00 a.m.

General Session and Opening Talk Session

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Special Networking Session: Looking Forward

11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Workshop Block IV

1:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Workshop Block V

3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Live Jazz and Networking Pre-Gala Experience

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. ***Ticketed Event

National Gala Awards and Networking

6:00 p.m. - TBD***Ticketed Event

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Finding A Cause Bigger Than Self

TUESDAY

Dr. Rosina McAlpine

New South Wales, Australia

Title: Developing Emotional Intelligence in Children, Toddler to Teenager

Description: The term “emotional intelligence” was first introduced in 1990 by Peter Salovey and John Mayer. Their work was further developed and popularized five years later through Daniel Goleman’s 1995 bestselling book Emotional Intelligence: Why it Can Matter More Than IQ. These researchers outlined five distinct, but interrelated aspects of emotional intelligence.

This interactive workshop will support participants to develop their knowledge and skills in the area of emotional intelligence. This workshop is designed to help parents, teachers, early childhood educators, coaches and professionals who work with children from toddler to teenager. Participants will be able to: 1. Understand the basics of the five domains of emotional intelligence. 2. Discuss the many benefits of developing children’s emotional intelligence.

3. Apply their learning of the various practical activities that support the development of emotional intelligence in children aged 18 months to 18+ years in their daily life with children.

Dr. Armon Perry and Dr. Cheri Langley

Louisville, Kentucky

Title: 4 Your Child: Dads Making the Difference

Description: Research indicates that children with involved fathers fare better than children with disengaged fathers. In response, this workshop provides responsible parenting, economic stability, and relationship education services to fathers at risk for disengagement in an attempt to improve the quantity and quality of their involvement with their children. In this program, non-resident fathers across several Kentucky counties provide a solution-oriented program featuring group-based parent education and individualized case management to help them achieve financial independence, increase their parenting skills and develop a co-parenting alliance with their children’s mother. Workshop attendees will be: Introduced to 4 Your Child’s intervention including its parent education curriculum and case management model; presented with the results of analyses related to fathers parenting knowledge, parenting self-efficacy and reports of co-parenting relationship quality; and provided with recommendations for increasing participant recruitment and retention.



Dr. Terri Horton

Chino Hills, California

Title: How Artificial Intelligence Recruiting Systems Impact Job Access

Description: This workshop is for Youth Development Workers, Workforce Development and Economic Mobility Professionals and Reentry Community-Based Professionals. Most organizations use AI recruiting systems to identify, rank and select candidates. It is projected that by 2020 nearly 60% of companies will use AI systems to reduce the cost and time associated with hiring. This selection process requires that job applicants now have a new set of skills to engage with these systems just to be considered for jobs. The workshop will provide strategies and tools for workforce professionals to prepare their clients to both employ with these systems and prepare for their work future.

Dr. Barbara Coloroso

Greeley, Colorado

Title: Kids Are Worth It! Parenting With Wit and Wisdom

Description: A session packed with solid practical advice for parents that show how to utilize chores, mealtime, sibling rivalry, toilet training, bedtime, allowances and more to create a home environment in which children can become self-disciplined, compassionate, responsible, resourceful and resilient human beings. This workshop will teach you toddlers and teens can act in their own best interest, stand up for themselves and exercise their rights while respecting the rights and legitimate needs of others. Included is a discussion about the difference between sibling conflict and sibling bullying. The presenter will talk about the keys to good parenting, treating young people with respect, giving them a sense of positive power in their own lives and give them opportunities to make decisions, take responsibility for their actions and learn from their successes and mistakes.

Dr. Nicoline Ambe

Carson, California

Title: 7 Steps to Raising a High Achiever

Description: This workshop will teach parents how to position their children for success very early on by instilling the right skillset, behaviors, mindset, value system and practices that will help their children soar in school and life! Attendees will learn 1. How to prepare the home environment for continued academic excellence. 2. Develop nurturing, fulfilling and emotionally healthy relationships with children. 3. How to position their children for achieving careers as early as the 3rd Grade. 4. How to minimize distractions and encourage an independent work ethic in children. 5. How to position their children for success in a competitive global market.

Dr. Carolyn Curtis

Carmichael, California

Title: Mind Matters: Overcoming Adversity and Building Resilience

Description: Mind Matters (MM) curriculum is designed to address the life-long effects of aversive childhood experiences. To achieve this goal, it combines ACEs science with the most current researched based recovery skills and makes this information available to all. MM provides attendees the opportunity to notice and interrupt destructive thought patterns and harmful behaviors. Through learning personal self-managed skills of restoration, people are given a way to take charge of their emotions and improve their states of mind, addressing their physical, relational and mental health needs. As participants learn the skills and strategies in MM, they can begin to say, "I am not a victim of what happened to me," and are empowered to take charge healing their brains,

Dr. Barbara Coloroso
Greeley, Colorado

Title: *The Bully, The Bullied, and the Not-so-innocent Bystander*

Description: Kids from preschool through high school begin this new school year in a highly charged and, at times, toxic political climate. Parents, educators, and students need to have a serious conversation about bullying and its intended and unintended consequences. Whether they target others, are targeted, or play the role of the not-so-innocent bystanders, young people are deeply affected by offline and online meanness and cruelty. Topics include 1. Bullying with racial, ethnic and religious overtones in our schools, neighborhoods, and communities. 2. The difference between reasonable, natural, and necessary conflict and the utter contempt and disaffection for the other, aka bullying. 3. The difference between teasing and taunting. 4. What to do and what not to do if a young person is targeted. 5. Four valid reasons and nine lousy excuses why young people might not stand up for focused peers. 6. How to help young people become a potent force as active witnesses.

Mr. Shanne Sowards
Milwaukee, Oregon

Title: *Unpacking the Mystery of Serving Teen Fathers*

Description: Throughout time the stereotype of a teen father is that he may take the path of least resistance. But, what if that is not really what the young father wants to do? What if he wants to be involved? In recent studies, researchers and practitioners have reported that there seems to be a significant number of young men quite willing to be included in the lives of their children, but there is little suitable help for them to achieve this goal. This workshop will share a successful program that is providing "suitable help" as well as share their strategies. The session will challenge participants to take a closer look at the young fathers encountered and give insight on how biology plays a role, as well as provide tools to help establish and deepen connections with the fathers served.

Mr. Michael Freeman
Los Angeles, California

Title: *How to Have Transformative Conversations with Teenagers*

Description: This workshop will teach attendees critical principles for engaging teenagers into meaningful and transformative conversations. The presenter will share his 17 years of experience in conducting mentoring programs for teenagers, the lessons he has learned and examples of youth being significantly impacted and positively changed through transformative conversations. Attendees will receive an app that they can use on the cell phones that will give them everything they need for starting and engaging their youth in meaningful and transformative conversations. They will learn how to use this app and will have an opportunity to give it a "test run" in the workshop.

Ms. Susie Beltran Grimm
Costa Mesa, California

Title: *Innovative Public Media Resources for Early Learning*

Description: Educating parents about the fast-paced digital world our children are growing up in is a critical component of changing a school's learning culture. Practical, high quality and trusted media resources for children can be challenging to find. Ready to Learn (RTL) promotes early learning through age-appropriate, educational and engaging media content for children ages 2-8. In this session, attendees will learn how public television facilitates family engagement and connection between school and home with tools that include games activities, and mobile apps. Together everyone will interactively explore a wealth of free digital media resources for families and educators in support early math and literacy learning. This workshop will cover everything from approaches on how to use media at home to support children's education to hands-on engagement with digital tools

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Ms. Debra Sarmiento and Ms. Fran Goldfarb
Sacramento, California

**Title: Using the CDC's "Learn the Signs. Act Early."
Materials**

Description: The journey of a child's early years includes many developmental milestones for how he/she plays, learns, speaks and acts. The Centers for Disease Control's (CDC) Act Early Ambassadors to California will introduce participants to the Learn the Signs. Act Early.' (LTSAE) materials available from the CDC. These free materials provide families and professionals with information on developmental milestones and the early identification of developmental delays. During this workshop, participants will tour the LTSAE website and learn about the new, easy-to-use Milestone Tracker app which can be used to track a child's development, as well as the full suite of free, family-friendly materials. This workshop is suitable for parents, caregivers and other professionals who work with young children. Participants will be able to identify at least three resources that support the understanding of developmental milestones, articulate the importance of monitoring developmental milestones and navigate the LTSAE website.

Ms. Jennifer Auman
Lincoln, Nebraska

Title: I am Enough. A look at resiliency for parents.

Description: "I am Enough" is for parents utilizing important points and activities from the book "Building Your Bounce, Simple Strategies for a Resilient You" by Mary Mackrain and Nefertiti Bruce Poyner. This presentation takes on the complex emotional state of mental health fatigue and adult protective factors. Parenting is hard. We have to take on many different roles in life, and the problematic aspects can bring us down. Participants will learn how relationships, attitude, acceptance, and self-control work for grown-ups too in building and recognizing resiliency! Included are hands-on activities

Dr. Chacko Abraham
La Paz, Bolivia

**Title: A Fatherless Journey: The Impact of
Absent Fathers**

Fatherlessness is pandemic. This workshop will explore the impact of paternal non-involvement. Children of fathers who are actively involved in their lives tend to be smarter, demonstrate increased performance in school, be psychologically healthier, and be able to attain better jobs than children who do not have fathers that are actively engaged in their lives. The family dynamics have changed to where there is more paternal absence in homes. The physical absence of the fathers should not dictate the lack of involvement with their children. The lack of participation of absent fathers has a direct impact of the future of their children. If our focus is looking at how we empower the future of our children, then the key is for fathers to be involved and engaged in every aspect of our children's lives. Absence should not equal non-involvement.

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Ms. Lora Hunter

Camarillo, California

Title: Supporting Language Development for Young Children and Families

Description: Children learn more rapidly in the early childhood years than in any other time of their lives. It is critical, therefore, that we give our children and families the language strategies they need to thrive in school and life. This interactive session will explore some relevant research regarding language development and the achievement gap. We will identify research-based strategies to support Expressive Language development in children. Further, it will examine supportive ways to communicate those strategies effectively with families. We will attempt to connect the research to the strategy and make the strategy accessible and organized so that frontline staff, who work with families and children, can easily use them.

Mr. Luis Barajas and Ms. Ana Duarte, LMSW

Los Angeles, California

Title: Eliminating the Stigma and Barriers in the Classroom

Description: To address the lack of male involvement, we must first analyze the root of the deficit at the site, administrative and classroom level. This presentation will focus on barriers and traditions that have influenced male involvement in the early stages of a child's development. We will focus on opportunities of inclusion for male participation in the classroom as it pertains to the social and emotional development of children. We will discuss strategies that explore opportunities at all levels to strengthen male engagement. Participants will receive resources and plans to increase male participation in their program site.

Ms. Crissy Butts

Tomball, Texas

Title: Family Team Building Fresh, Fun and New

Description: Strengthen your tribe- increase the happy vibe! Attendees will walk away with a relaxed mental resiliency assessment tool, The Sunshine Strategy, to help gauge mental health strengths and weaknesses and shift from problem to solution. Launch the 21 Day Happiness Challenge the 1st of each month and watch the positive interactions increase. This monthly challenge is packed with 42 ideas to reduce stress and anxiety, increase confidence and positive self-worth. Learn about the world's most effective weekly family team-building program (used for the past 100 years and in over 150 counties). Take notes on a modified version; The Family Power Hour packed with creative ways to laugh, talk, play and love more!

Mr. Richard Ramos

Santa Barbara, California

Title: Parents on a Mission & Child Loyalty

Every parent wants the love and loyalty of their children. But what many parents don't realize is the daily competition they are in to win love and commitment. Many parents expect, and demand respect and loyalty, rather than learning how to earn it. Also, the pressures of daily life and demands of social media for attention often cause tension, strains, stress and broken relationships.



WEDNESDAY

Dr. Felicia Murray and Dr. Sherece Shavel

Fort Worth, Texas

Title: (Un)Invisible Fathers: Affirming Strategies to Recognize and Reverse Paternal Distress

Description: Contemporary fathers are faced with a myriad of issues that impact their overall wellness. Using current, culturally-informed, evidence-based research as a foundation in this workshop explores the complex and often overlooked aspect of paternal wellness. Welfare is understood via five domain areas: Physical, emotional/psychological, relational, spiritual and cultural. The presenters will incorporate experiential learning techniques, interactive technology, small groups, and mini-lectures to explore paternal wellness. Participants will engage their clinical skills and previous practice knowledge to examine indicators and risk factors about parental distress further. Finally, participants will gain practical tools for addressing paternal suffering in varied practice settings; will be able to identify indicators of paternal distress in five domains: physical, emotional/psychological, relational, spiritual and cultural; learn how to implement strategies to advance paternal wellness in various practice and clinical settings; and how to understand frameworks for intervention that are father-centered and affirm paternal wellness.

Dr. Ashley Harrell

Gurnee, Illinois

Title: Empowering Parents of the Future by Addressing Adolescent Trauma

Description: Many parents relate their parenting struggles to childhood experiences of trauma and loss. These experiences transcend time and have the potential to initiate or prolong cycles of family dysfunction or disrupted parenting. These cycles can be interrupted and demolished when adolescents are provided with an opportunity to process and receive support regarding the trauma they have experienced in their brief lives. Adolescents can then be empowered to reframe their identity as future fathers and mothers by utilizing information to make informed sexual and relational decisions based on their future goals and ambitions. Educators, community service providers, mentors, and mental health professionals can help transform family by empowering these new parents of the future.

Dr. Charles Woodard
Boynton Beach, Florida

Title: How Fathers Enhance Children's Socio-emotional Development via Gentle Teaching

Description: This dynamic and interactive workshop demonstrates how Fathers, via Gentle Teaching, can enhance the socio-emotional development of children. The social and emotional development of children directly impacts their ability to learn, grow and develop in other areas. It is the key to better academic and language skills, harmonious relationships with peers and fewer behavior challenges. Children who have positively involved fathers tend to do better socially, emotionally and academically than children whose fathers are not positively involved. The relationship is the key and Gentle Teaching and empowers fathers in developing high-quality relationships with their children. Fathers can build trusting relationships with their children, by providing consistent encouragement, discipline, protection, care, and unconditional love.

Dr. Lynnette Long
Los Angeles, California

Title: How Do I Gain My Territory Back

Description: This workshop is designed to help mothers and fathers who were incarcerated for more than one year. This workshop will bring the parent back into proper alignment with their children and those in the children's life. The presenter will offer helpful tips and live skits to show attendees visual examples. Fathers and mothers will learn: How to reconnect with the child; how to reconnect with the child's school and events; how to pick up the pieces and move forward without pointing the blame on the other parent; and how to become aware that Faithfulness, Dedication, and Commitment works better than just toys.

Dr. Annette Miles

Washington, District of Columbia

Title: Family Engagement: Short Projects that Create Lasting Memories

Description: Today, families spend long hours outside of the home with work, school, and extracurricular activities. At the end of the evening, there is little opportunity to spend quality fun time as a family. This workshop includes projects that families can engage in with their child. Families can choose short stories/journaling, scrapbooking, art or other crafts. These projects do not cost a lot of money. Families can conduct a treasure hunt around the house to find materials to recycle into something new. These fun projects take a short period to complete. Families can divide the activities into small parts if time becomes a barrier. Above all, families can create memories with their child that last for years to come. Materials will be provided to complete a project.

Mr. Delvyn Crawford

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Title: Poor Start, Strong Finish - Finish Strong!

Description: This workshop is intended to spring forth the hope in those burdened by their past. Participants will recognize that they are their children's "reality show" and that their children will most likely follow their example rather than their advice. Participants will know the importance of moving past guilt, not being controlled by self-condemnation and positioning themselves to be active fathers for their children and community. The presenter will facilitate a unique and innovative workshop that focuses on universal characteristics that every father needs so that men of all cultures, race, religions, and backgrounds can benefit. Fathers learn how to strengthen their relationship with their children, wife, or the mother of their children in addition to learning how to better care for themselves.

Mr. Serafín Serrano
Anaheim, California

Title: FIERCE COMPASSION: Bold Healing-Centered Practices

Description: In this workshop presenters will be given tools to assess and identify intrinsic motives (core values and personal attributes), examine individual assets and community capital, learn about generational trauma, grief, loss, and ruptures. They will also learn how to cultivate resilience, grit, and intention. The presenter will discuss healing from injury to restoration, how to reinforce personal agency and intrinsic motivation, as well as compassionately fierce foster trust, deep connection, and healing.

Mr. Alex Borchart
Exeter-Devon, United Kingdom

Title: Helping Estranged Fathers - A British Perspective

Description: There are one million children in the United Kingdom (population 66 million) who do not regularly see their father. In countless cases following relationship breakdown fathers feel stuck, not knowing what to do, with limited support, emotional difficulties (primarily caused by being shut out of their children's lives), an archaic legal system and all too often a lack of reliable professional support. In this workshop, the presenter will discuss ways in which to handle this on the other side of the Atlantic and the unique methodologies that have been developed. The presenter will explain how to gain confidence and get equipped with the right tools to establish fathers back in their kids' lives and rebuild loving and sustainable relationships.

Mr. Kevin Toney
Porter Ranch, California

Title: Winning The Big Game - Relationship Training For Males

Description: This workshop is the answer to help men stop the cycle of sexual misconduct. Whether its sexual harassment, sexual abuse, or infidelity men will receive the tools to eradicate these negative, destructive behaviors toward females effectively. Training will include the steps and solid foundation needed to have healthy relationships with women, in the workplace, homes, in love and beyond. Key areas include: 1) Recognize and identify sexual misconduct. 2) Study powerful men who were exposed and their consequences. 3) Understand male sexual and relationship behavior. 4) Avoid the pitfalls and traps and learn critical thinking for making good decisions. 5) Win the big game of being successful in sustaining a loving and faithful relationship with their wife, girlfriend or dating partner. The presenter is excited and passionate to share life-changing steps used to overcome his sexual misconduct.

**Bishop Henry Hearn and Ms. Angela Hearn,
MSW**
Palmdale, California

Title: The Making of a Queen Takes a King (The Dynamics of Father/Daughter Relationships)

Description: Participants can expect to enjoy and be inspired by this interactive class that will highlight statistical data as well as real-time examples of father-daughter dynamics. Group exercises will be included. Participants will leave the class invigorated to either continue their efforts or to improve the relationships with their fathers or their daughters. All kings and queens are invited!!

Ms. Tina Konkin
Irvine, California

Title: Relationship Lifeline

Description: Our unique approach engages individuals from the very first exercise discussing topics that are meaningful to them and their relationships in ways they have never considered. This approach helps individuals and couples to understand what they desire from their bonds and also provokes revealing thoughts and genuine interaction that creates real change in the foundation of their relationships. This approach also helps individuals learn how to develop new life skills that lead to a deeper level of appreciation for each other, their relationship and their family. Specifically, the Relationship Lifeline program provides a structured environment where people: Feel safe to reveal their real thoughts and feelings; identify the triggers that cause conflict; begin to heal unresolved issues of the past; begin to understand the real source of problems; learn techniques to communicate effectively; learn how to manage frustrations; and ultimately enhance their relationship.

Ms. Kathleen Roe and Ms. Doreen Finley
Trenton, New Jersey

Title: What the Funder wants? Or Father Needs?

Description: Parents Inc. is one of the oldest family strengthening organizations in New Jersey has been developing professionally facilitated mutual support groups for fathers for over 15 years. In this workshop, participants will learn to identify the top three challenges of negotiating pilot fatherhood programs with funders. They will become familiar with our current successful model, Father Time. Participants will be able to identify at least three (3) of the vital components necessary for a successful community-based program which both recruits and retains fathers. In addition to this, based on the Father Time member's advocacy, the principle of "giving back" to the community is embedded in this model. In this way, the Father Time model becomes embedded not in a program or organization, but in the city in which it operates.

Mr. Jesse Jordan and Mr. Lonnie Grant
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Title: No Longer Invisible: Journey to Empower Homeless Fathers and children

Description: Nationally, 15% of the homeless system is comprised of fathers and children. The shelter system historically excludes fathers and misses opportunities for fathers to engage with their children's lives resulting in separated families, children feeling abandoned and unsupported, family parenting structure deficits, as well as loss of male role models and vulnerable communities. This workshop will explore, discuss and recommend how government agencies, nonprofits, schools, community stakeholders, fathers, parents, and families can leverage the influence of fathers in the homeless system and strengthen their communities. The presenters will highlight some of the initiatives being done in Philadelphia such as Ways in which communities can promote homeless resources to fathers; understanding the need of a paradigm shift to involve fathers in policies and service delivery design; and discussing how to make the shelter experience more inclusive for men to stabilize them and their families throughout the journey.

Mr. Marc Warren and Mr. Carter Patterson
Trenton, New Jersey

Title: The Secrets That Make Us Sick

Description: Unattended traumatic experiences creates a cancer diagnosis that impacts fathers and families leaving generations scared and broken. Healing past hurts or emotional wounds is a long and often painful process. This workshop will address those hurts, those emotional wounds, that result from events in our lives such as rejection, abandonment, abuse, neglect, violence, insecurity, being embarrassed, ashamed, terrorized, scared, manipulated or otherwise controlled and gain the tools and strategies needed to become whole again.

Mr. Aaron Jordan, Jr.
Murfreesboro, Tennessee

Title: Revamp Relationship Workshop Series: How to Heal Before Moving On

Description: In life, we go through traumatic break-ups and experiences through relationships that cause us to have distorted thinking of self and our essence, so we begin to fall into what the presenter calls learned behaviors, which pushes us further away from the person that is specifically designed for use in life. In this workshop, participants will learn five (5) principles that aid in healing to rebuild mind and self-being after a break-up or before getting involved with someone else. This workshop will help participants get to the root of their core issues and observe the “why” factor in a situation.

Dr. John Van Epp
San Clemente, California

Home Run Dads: An Evidenced Based At-Home Certification Course

Learn how to teach and facilitate the evidenced-based Home Run Dads program, where dads learn and practice parenting skills that equip them to build and maintain strong relationships with their children. This program has been included in the Army Chief of Chaplain’s Strong Bonds Initiative since 2010, and has been taught throughout all branches of the military and nationally by fatherhood and community initiatives. Learn to engage fathers in activities like developing a game plan for parenting goals, understanding the unique qualities of each of their children as they fill out “stat sheets” for each child, constructing a family motto and making a family-team pennant, and learning how to discuss crucial topics with their children like friendships, dating and sexual boundaries. Attendees receive a 10% discount on the at-home Instructor Certification Course.

THURSDAY

Dr. Antonio Harrison

Pasadena, California

Title: *Batman versus Superman: The Super Hero Dad*

Description: Children see their fathers as Super Heroes. If we are to be a Super Hero, we must understand which Super Hero is best suited to help us raise balanced, compassionate, emotionally intelligent, reliable and secure children. This workshop will discuss what it means to be Batman vs. Superman and the effects it has on raising a healthy child. The workshop will engage fathers to produce practical, useful and creative approaches/activities to help promote a healthy relationship with their children. These activities will include creating two affirmations to be shared with your children consistently, on a daily basis; structuring of a particular project for your children to be shared decades later in life; and identifying your special Super Hero tools in order to understand the best utility of those tools with respect to raising children and personal growth as a father.

Dr. Tanya Coakley and Dr. Yarneccia Dyson

Greensboro, North Carolina

Title: *Impact of Fathers' Sexual Health Talks on their Sons*

Description: This workshop will cover practical ways for fathers to talk with their sons about sexual health and avoiding risky sexual behaviors that lead to sexually transmitted infections and HIV. Fathers will learn how to prepare for the conversation in advance; where to access information about STI and HIV; how to initiate the conversation; and what to say during the interview and how to say it so that their sons will feel comfortable asking questions about protection and sharing their current sexual behavior or intentions to engage in sexual activity. Fathers will have an opportunity to evaluate their knowledge about STI and HIV. They will also assess their confidence and comfort level to talk to their children about sex and risk protection.

Dr. Nicole Scott

Pine Hill, New Jersey

Title: *Best Practices for Building and Sustaining Father Engagement*

Description: This workshop will introduce new and innovative ways of increasing engagement of fathers in the home, schools, and classrooms. This workshop will be based on a synthesis of research-based strategies and practices proven to increase parental participation in schools and other settings. A checklist for improving the parental involvement of fathers will be provided to all attendees as a tool to use to review their current parent involvement practices and to identify areas in which they wish to increase their efforts. Learning Objectives include: Recognizing the need for and importance of locating and engaging fathers; recognizing the impact of personal values on interactions with fathers; describing established protocols for father engagement and the father engagement bench card; discussing the impact a father can have on a child's healthy development; and identifying various methods of father and paternal family engagement.

Mr. Eugene Schneeberg

Fairfax, Virginia

Title: *Engaging Fathers: Resources from the National Responsible Fatherhood Clearinghouse*

Description: Join us to discuss lessons learned from fatherhood work in community-based settings. Learn about tips and resources to better engage and serve fathers and find out more about the National Responsible Fatherhood Clearinghouse, including the fatherhood.gov website, social media platforms and products written to advance the fatherhood field. Our three training objectives include: 1) Strategies and tips that have worked to engage fathers in the group and individual learning experiences. 2) Ideas for implementing promising practices to develop programs for fathers in a variety of community settings and 3) Provide information and resources for services providers to use in their work with fathers

Ms. Chandra Brooks

San Jose, California

Title: Creating a Village for your Incarcerated Loved Ones

Description: It takes a village to raise a child and build a successful foundation for a young adult. Most families do not have a real solid plan when their loved one returns to society. This workshop will provide the tools, strategy, and resources to have a successful transition.

This workshop will focus on how to: 1) Establish short and long-term goals with your loved one. 2) Set up a support system before the release of an incarcerated loved one. 3) Build a secure network of leaders, mentors, and coaches. 4) How to build strong entrepreneurship and union connections and 5) How to develop a long strategic plan for success and self-sufficiency.

Ms. Tana Session

Pasadena, California

Title: From Foster Care to Fabulous - Propel to Success

Description: Known as the “Queen From Foster Care to Fabulous,” the presenter shares how she transitioned from a child born into the New York City foster care system to an award-winning entrepreneur. Her signature talk, “Stop Being the Best Kept Secret,” is designed to help attendees learn five proven tips to propel to their highest level of success: Own Your TRUTH, HEALING, WORTH, POWER, and DESTINY. Attendees will leave with a higher sense of self and actionable steps to move the needle of success in their personal and professional lives. “Stop Being the Best Kept Secret” is an interactive session. Attendees will participate in self-realization and self-actualization exercises. Through personal discovery work, attendees will learn what has been genuinely blocking them from success and how to live out loud and stop playing small in their lives. Attendees will leave motivated, inspired and enthusiastic about what is next in their lives.

Dr. Jeffrey Woods and Ms. Senta Greene

Valencia, California

Title: Activate the 5 Pillar Performance for Living and Leading

Description: As father absence continues as a crisis in America, impacting 19.7 million children and more than 1 in 4 live without a father in the home, it is imperative children and families are given tools to address father absenteeism and provide strategies for navigating life’s challenges that lead to optimizing children’s futures. This session offers an intimate look at evidence-based research that depicts the problems of father absenteeism and changes the narrative of negativity to a message of hope and impact by examining our roles as parents, leaders and service providers. During this interactive presentation, the presenters will introduce a five-element model designed to assist parents and children in optimizing positive life outcomes through healthy relationships. Service providers will learn ways to effectively develop, deliver and support families through Integrity, Humility, Compassion, Courage, and Discipline.

Mr. Jamar Williams

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Title: Living on Purpose: Repurposing Lives after Prison

Description: In this workshop, attendees will look at prison re-entry through the perspective of one who successfully re-entered society and now helps others to do the same. The workshop will take a glimpse at the ineffective methods surrounding the history of pre/post-release and learn some of the practices that were taught in the classroom that were effective in reaching the population. Lastly, the workshop will focus on the coveted topic of communication which eludes many fathers exiting incarceration. To be better fathers to our children, transparency, and vulnerability is a necessity. Join me as we discover ways to get the attention of fathers, inspire them to change and challenge them to face the reality of their present.

Ms. Jennifer Auman

Lincoln, Nebraska

Title: Self-Care and Resilience; Strategies to Rebuild your Bounce!

Description: At the end of this workshop session participants will be able to understand the difference between compassion fatigue, vicarious trauma, and burnout; identify signs and symptoms of compassion fatigue; and learn how protective factors, as described in Building Your Bounce, Simple Strategies for a Resilient You, by Mary Mackrain and Nefertiti Bruce Poyner, will work for grown-ups too in building and recognizing resiliency. Utilizing the theory and many activities in the book this presentation takes on the complex emotional state of compassion fatigue in early childhood home visitors, teachers, and caregivers.

The differences in compassion fatigue, vicarious trauma and burnout are examined, signs and symptoms are identified and active participation in activities to build resilience through the protective factors of relationships, internal beliefs, initiative, and self-control are exemplified.

Ms. Linda Rouseau

Scottsdale, Arizona

Title: I Am Ready To Open My Eyes

Description: Have you ever asked yourself, why am I not seeing the same or similar successes in my life as others who seemingly have put forth a lot less effort than me? What am I missing? This workshop is designed to reveal to the participants the needs of their spirit, soul, and body being nurtured and healthy. There is not only a need but a benefit for balance. This workshop will break down how to recognize different personal needs and the health that is attained in the soul as a result. The eye-opening solutions will be revealed and within each participant's grasp.

Ms. Grace Scott Crockett

Tempe, Arizona

Title: Family Awareness Crisis Ed Intervention & Training (FACE IT)

Description: Our vision is to make families aware of the critical need for intervention and training to break the cycle of abuse. Change at this level requires active participation from every sector and individual within our community. Being educated can have a positive impact on businesses and their most valuable asset (employees). Nearly 8 million days of paid work per year are lost due to domestic violence in our country. This interactive workshop will give you an in-depth experience into what we all have known and understand, but have been afraid to face. FACE IT educates individuals on how to recognize, respond and refer loved ones affected by domestic violence and helps employers to improve their responses to domestic violence in the workplace.

R. Anna Hayward, Ph.D., MSW, with Romarie McCue

Stony Brook, New York

Title: Engaging and serving fathers transitioning from the criminal justice system

Fathers transitioning from the criminal justice system have a variety of psychosocial needs including reconnecting or reconnecting with their minor children. In this presentation, we describe the outcome of a qualitative study of men in a community-based fatherhood program who transitioned from jail during or before their involvement in the program. Fathers share how their criminal justice involvement has impacted their parenting and how fatherhood programs can provide supportive services to affirm their parenting efforts while incarcerated.

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Dr. Jesse Sanders
Columbus, Ohio

Title: The Redefining Empowered Family Unit Detour Theory

Description: Life, on occasion, has taken us for a ride or two that we did not prepare for mentally during the times we presumed we had a grasp on it, such as in our finances, relationships, businesses, ministries, etc. We have all undoubtedly approached a detoured construction zone in our life. When we think of detours, we undeniably become aggravated and think of how we are being inconvenienced. The presenter will offer a different way of viewing a detoured route. Bypasses are proposed to be a deviation from a direct or usual course! There are many families in transition(s). This is only destroyed when one acknowledges there is a cycle that is not positive or beneficial in the producing and growth process. When one has effectively confronted transition(s), then the process of redefining begins.

Mr. Guillermo Hernandez and Ms. Maria Hernandez
Downey, California

Title: Honoring Traditions, The Land, Community, and Stories

Description: This workshop is designed to provide information and activities which will help participants consider better culturally appropriate methods for new immigrant families. At the same time, it alerts participants to a possible outcome of working in the trauma field; trauma-informed principles and practice, and trauma-specific programs. The nuclear family system is slowly distancing us from our roots. As a mute spectator, we witness how relationships are shifting from 'care and share' to 'give and take.' People forget those honest family relationships are an integral part of the human system. Reconnection with your family roots is life beyond niches, and a ladder to a positive state of mind stabilized emotions and thoughts.

Mr. Cedric Nelms
Carson, California

Title: Fathering a Generation without Direction: The Three Cycles of Life

Description: Presenter will focus on the current situations that our world is presenting to our young people of today. We will look at the "why" of this generation living in the midst of violence, poverty, racism, and prejudice, to name a few. There are five things that our young people are lacking, but there are cycles that this fatherless generation is dealing with that we will identify. Once we recognize these cycles, we will discuss how to get through to our young people. Our young people are searching and looking for direction. They are in need of something that is greater but needs the wisdom of the fathers in this society to speak life to them and for them.

Mr. Walter Simpkins and Mr. DC Dunkel
Schenectady, New York

Title: Building & Re-Branding Your Fathers Program From Relevance to Excellence

Description: This workshop will teach you how to build a grassroots organization that is run by fathers from your community, as well as how to grow it from a support group to a full-scale operation assisting fathers while focusing on problems fathers face nationwide. A significant part of building a lasting organization is keeping it relevant by helping it grow and staying up to date. Often, there is a need for re-branding and innovation to meet the needs of the changing dynamics and demographics of an ever-evolving community. This session will teach you the fundamentals that address the challenge of growing from just being relevant to excellent.

Dr. Carletta Perry-Artis
San Antonio, Texas

***Title: Change Your Life Coaching Masterclass:
Man Your Post! (Certification Program)***

Description: This session is for fathers who want to learn how to be the coach and mentor to others utilizing their life and parenting experiences to help others. This program can help men and women learn how to take advantage of my life coaching business start-up assistance, psychological skill training, along with my trauma-informed approach to provide healing to various communities, families, men, women, girls and young boys. For a long time, men have been asked to man their post! The presenter will provide the tools necessary to lead, mentor and coach others to their best. This Certification Program prepares men and women for entrepreneurial success to become a life coach.

Mr. Adnoris "Bo" Torres
Grand Rapids, Michigan

***Title: Padres Fuertes Initiative: A Holistic Approach to
Engaging Latino Fathers***

Description: This workshop is a literature review involving in-depth analysis of 21 sources also conducted by Michigan State University to identify evidence-supported practices that promote the engagement of Latino fathers with services for their young children. This workshop will present the impact of support on Latino fathers in Kent County. Building on the work of Ignacio D. Acevedo-Polakovich, Ph.D. and Hannah Spring, BA of Michigan State University, Polakovich's research draws upon mostly primary sources including focus groups, interviews, and community reports. There was significant overlap with study focus groups, providing great insight into the barriers to accessing services, features of ideal programs and recommendations for program development, recruitment and engagement. The Padres Fuertes Initiative has developed educational events, outreach opportunities and partnerships that use social determinants of health to address the needs of the fathers engaged in the program.

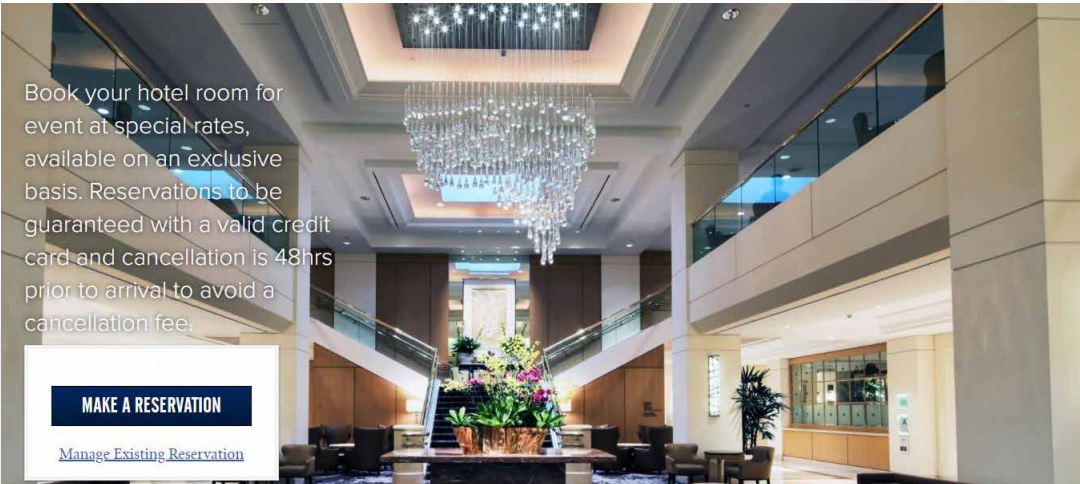
Mr. Ian Houston

Carrollton, Georgia

Title: Successfully Establishing and Executing a System-Driven Mission

Description: Most of the missions of community organizations and social service programs that serve Black/African-American populations target individual barriers and seek to assist those individuals with overcoming those specific barriers. However, the social experiences of African-American families throughout U.S. history are not merely personal - they are systemic. This workshop will teach mentors, program leaders, academics and vested community members how to successfully develop and execute programming that impacts both individual participants and the communities being served. This is especially important for organizations and programs that help black communities. Historically, the barriers to employment, mass incarceration, poor education, etc. have been system-wide, thus affecting African-Americans as an entire population compared to other racial/ethnic populations.

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