

CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE: A MULTI-DISCIPLINARY APPROACH

June 3-4, 1985

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Program Content and Format

Statistical reports maintained by the Michigan Department of Social Services show an increase in the number of substantiated child sexual abuse cases. Whether this is the result of an increase in reporting or an increase in occurrence the consequence is that department staff as well as community agencies and professionals must be prepared to work with these children and their families. The goal of this conference is to assist professionals in implementing a coordinated community intervention and treatment approach. In taking a multi-disciplinary approach to the problem of child sexual abuse we hope to attain this goal.

Faculty in this program are from the fields of medicine, social work, psychiatry, psychology, nursing, law and law enforcement. Their presentations will be made both through plenary sessions and workshops.

Program Schedule

Monday, June 3, 1985

7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

Registration

Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m.

Introduction—Agnes M. Mansour, Director
Michigan Department of Social Services

Welcome—James J. Blanchard
Governor, State of Michigan

9:15 a.m.

"American Medical Association Diagnostic and Treatment Guidelines for Child Sexual Abuse." The presentation will focus on the preparation, content and intended use for the AMA guidelines. Douglas Sargent, M.D., J.D., Chairman of the AMA Advisory Panel on Child Abuse and Neglect.

9:35 a.m.

"The Impact of Sexual Abuse on Children." Jon R. Conte, Ph.D., Assistant Professor at the School of Social Service Administration at the University of Chicago. The author of over twenty-five publications, Dr. Conte is a frequent lecturer at national and international meetings. He has appeared on local and national television programs, including Good Morning America, Donahue and the PBS special *What Your Child Should Know About Sexual Abuse*. Dr. Conte is the Principal Investigator of a National Institute of Mental Health research on the impact of sexual abuse of children which is being conducted by the University of Chicago and the Sexual Assault Center at Harborview Medical Center in Seattle.

12:00 Noon

Lunch and Guest Speaker

"Community Decision Points, Roles and Responsibilities of Professionals Dealing with Child Sexual Abuse," Kathleen Coulburn Faller, MSW, Ph.D., University of Michigan Interdisciplinary Project on Child Abuse and Neglect.

1:45 p.m.

A.* "Alternative Interventions in Sexual Abuse Cases." The presentors will discuss how to decide when a family and a perpetrator are treatable, when it is appropriate to separate the family, when to use the court and which court to use; when to terminate parental rights. In addition, legal alternatives such as diversion, probation, delayed sentence and work release will be described. Kathleen Coulburn Faller, MSW, Ph.D., and Donald N. Duquette, J.D., University of Michigan Interdisciplinary Project on Child Abuse and Neglect.

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"Parents United: A Group Approach." This presentation will discuss how the Parents United groups function along with personal presentations by group members. Roger Pickering, MSW, Lynn Butterfield, M.A., Luke Stephan, M. Div., Lutheran Child and Family Services.

- B.* Medical Seminar for Allied Health Professionals—"Michigan State Medical Society Survey on Physicians Attitudes, Experiences and Practices Regarding Child Sexual Abuse." Douglas Sargent, M.D., J.D., Chairman of the AMA Advisory Panel on Child Abuse and Neglect, member of the MSMS Committee on Child Abuse.

"Review of Mt. Carmel Sexual Abuse Data." Barbara Meyer-Lucas, M.D., Director of the Child Abuse Prevention Program, Mt. Carmel Mercy Hospital.

*Conference participants may elect to attend session A or B.

4:30 p.m.

Adjournment

6:00 p.m.

Cocktails (Cash Bar) and Banquet

Banquet Speaker: Robert Keeshan, known as Captain Kangaroo and Host of "CBS Storybreak." Mr. Keeshan will speak on "Our Children."

Program Schedule

Tuesday, June 4, 1985

7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

Registration

Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m.

Introduction—Donald N. Duquette

Guest Speaker: Representative Mary Brown
"Legislative Trends in Child Sexual Abuse"

9:30 a.m.

Morning Workshops—Select 1 and 2 alternates

1. *Initial Medical Assessment*—A multi-disciplinary hospital approach to the initial identification and management of sexually abused children. The workshop will include physical and behavioral indicators, as well as medical, nursing and social work guidelines. Clyde Owings, M.D., Ph.D., Allison Heeren, MSW, DaLynn Clayton, R.N., Child Protection Team, University of Michigan Medical Center.

2. *Interviewing and Assessing the Child*—Techniques for interviewing

the child, both the younger and older child. How to tell whether the child's statement is true or false, use of anatomically explicit dolls and other interview techniques will be discussed. Videotape case examples will be used. Kathleen Coulburn Faller, MSW, Ph.D., University of Michigan Interdisciplinary Project on Child Abuse and Neglect.

3. *Treatment Techniques 1*—Family treatment, child therapy, treatment of the victim and siblings will be presented. It is recommended that registrants for this workshop also register for Treatment Techniques 2 as that workshop will be a continuation of this session. Gloria Gillespie, M.A., and Robin Smietanka, M.A., Assault Recovery Associates.
4. *Preparing a Videotape Statement of a Child Witness; A Complete Protocol*—The workshop will discuss the equipment and facilities that are necessary, the interview with the child, court rules governing audio and visual electronic recording, use of videotape depositions in warrant application and in juvenile exams as well as criminal trials. Honorable John W. Unger, Antrim County Probate Court and Donald N. Duquette, J.D., University of Michigan Interdisciplinary Project on Child Abuse and Neglect.
5. *Child Sexual Abuse Counseling Services; A Review of Grand Rapids' Program*—The presentation will focus on treatment strategies for individuals and families following the Giarretto model. There will also be a discussion on how the Giarretto model was adapted to the needs of the community. Patricia Haist, M.A., YWCA Counseling Center, Child Sexual Abuse Program.
6. *Survivors of Incest*—Short term treatment for adult survivors of incest will be reviewed along with a discussion of treatment issues, techniques and strategies. Judith P. Adler, MSW, Ambulatory Care Social Worker, University of Michigan Medical Center.
7. *Law Enforcement's Perspective*—The changing role of law enforcement will be discussed as it pertains to the amended Child Protection Law, rising community expectations and more stringent court requirements. James Humphrey, Commander, Detroit Police Department, Community Services Division.

12:00 Noon

Lunch and Guest Speaker

"A Family's View of Child Sexual Abuse." The disclosure of child sexual abuse has an impact on extended family members as well as the immediate family. Bill Beyers, star of the CBS show, "Capitol," discusses his family's experience.

1:45 p.m.

Afternoon Workshops—Select 1 and 2 alternates

8. *Forensic Medical Assessment*—The presentation will focus on the appropriate medical examination given the age of the child, the nature of the allegations of sexual abuse and the time frames regarding the alleged incident. There will also be a discussion of the revised sexual assault kit developed for incidents involving children. Susan L. Scheurer, M.D., Assistant Professor, Department of Pediatrics and Human Development, Consultant to the Michigan Department of Public Health.

9. *Interviewing and Assessing the Alleged Offender and Non-Abusive Parent*—Techniques for assessing and interviewing alleged offenders and non-abusive parents will be presented. Content areas for each interview will also be discussed. Kathleen Coulburn Faller, MSW, Ph.D., University of Michigan Interdisciplinary Project on Child Abuse and Neglect.
10. *Treatment Techniques 2*—This will be a continuation of the morning session, focusing on individual treatment strategies for mother and father, treatment strategies for adult survivors of child sexual abuse with a discussion of issues facing therapists working in the field. Gloria Gillespie, M.A., and Robin Smietanka, M.A., Assault Recovery Associates.
11. *Legal Issues at Trial*—Evidentiary issues, court room practice and recent court rulings will be discussed relative to incidents of child sexual abuse. There will be a general discussion of trial issues related to child abuse and neglect as well. Honorable Donald S. Owens, Ingham County Probate Court.
12. *Child Pornography; Law Enforcement's Role in Investigation*—A review of current and pending legislation regarding child pornography; investigation techniques and the importance of working with private industry will be presented. Ron Mattioli, Detective Sergeant, Michigan State Police.
13. *Adolescent Offenders*—A review of the scope of the problem of adolescent offenders as sexual abusers, developmental aspects of adolescents, history of offenders, a discussion of why these offenders are ignored and a framework for treatment will be presented. Paula Journe, Ph.D., Children's Center.
14. *Prevention Programs*—An overview of prevention programs will be discussed. "Take Care With Yourself" and "Babylonian Encounter" will be highlighted. Organizing and coordinating prevention services in communities will be discussed. Laurie White, M.A., Take Care With Yourself and Kim Barnas, Child Advocacy Association.

4:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Conference Registration Form

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Monday _____ Tuesday _____

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_____ Banquet \$16.50

_____ DSS Staff

Monday _____ Tuesday _____

(Must register in advance. Fee paid by MDSS per county assignments)

*includes luncheon(s)

If you are attending the conference on Monday, June 3, 1985, which afternoon session will you attend?

_____ A.

_____ B.

Please select 3 workshops for each session on Tuesday, June 4, 1985 (1=most preferred)

A.M.

- _____ 1. Initial Medical Assessment
- _____ 2. Interviewing and Assessing the Child
- _____ 3. Treatment Techniques 1
- _____ 4. Preparing A Videotape Statement of A Child Witness
- _____ 5. Child Sexual Abuse Counseling Services
- _____ 6. Survivors of Incest
- _____ 7. Law Enforcement's Perspective

P.M.

- _____ 8. Forensic Medical Assessment
- _____ 9. Interviewing and Assessing the Alleged Offender and Non-Abusive Parent
- _____ 10. Treatment Techniques 2
- _____ 11. Legal Issues at Trial
- _____ 12. Child Pornography: Law Enforcement's Role in Investigation
- _____ 13. Adolescent Offenders
- _____ 14. Prevention Programs

Please check whether:

_____ Social Worker

_____ Psychiatrist

_____ Hospital Social Worker

_____ Nurse

_____ Mental Health Social Worker

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_____ DSS Social Worker

_____ Juvenile Court Referee

_____ Physician

_____ Lawyer

_____ Law Enforcement

_____ Other _____

_____ Psychologist

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