



February 8 and February 9, 2012

32nd Annual Conference

**The Ohio Association of Child and
Youth Care Professionals, Inc.**

**Sawmill Creek Lodge
Huron, Ohio**

Our 32nd Annual Conference

The Board of Directors and the Conference Committee of the Ohio Association of Child and Youth Care Professionals, Inc., invite you to attend our 32nd Annual Conference. This is our 35th year as an active association serving child and youth care professionals throughout Ohio. We hope to make this occasion educational, entertaining and meaningful to everyone who joins us.

- x A Hospitality Room hosted by the Board of Directors will be open on Tuesday evening from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. We invite all those who are attending the Conference and who are at the Lodge on Tuesday evening to join us in getting acquainted and greeting old friends.
- x The Annual Meeting of the Ohio Association of Child and Youth Care Professionals will be held on Wednesday, February 8, at 4:45 p.m. Please attend the meeting and be actively involved in your Association.
- x The Timothy E. Kuster Memorial Award for Excellence in Child Care will be presented at the Conference. Nomination forms are available in the Front Line, at the website www.helpingohiokids.org or by calling Karen at 419-693-1520 or Steve at 419-798-9382.
- x Two scholarships for the Conference have again been provided by Martha and Jack Holden. Information is available in the Front Line and by calling Karen at 419-693-1520 or Steve at 419-798-9382.
- x There will be prize giveaways following both luncheons. A few prizes will be "for members only." These giveaways will be conducted by Board Member Eric Collins. To join the Association, complete a membership form in the Front Line, at the website www.helpingohiokids.org or at the back of this brochure.
- x This year's conference provides a workshop that meets the requirements for Ethics of the Social Worker / Counselor / Marriage Therapist Board, a session on bullying awareness and prevention, and numerous practical workshops for child and youth care professionals.
- x On Wednesday evening, there will be activities to enjoy that include a DJ in the main lounge of the Lodge, pool, euchre, bridge and bingo. The Lodge swimming pool is available as well.

Conference Information

The 32nd Annual Conference of the Ohio Association of Child and Youth Care Professionals, Inc. will be held at the:

**Sawmill Creek Lodge
P.O. Box 358
Huron, Ohio 44839
419-433-3800**

on Wednesday, February 8, 2012 and Thursday, February 9, 2012.

Arrangements for lodging will be made by the Conference Committee upon receipt of your registration form. Tickets and workshop folder must be picked up at the registration desk on the day of the Conference. Meal tickets will be enclosed.

Workshop assignments will be made on a first come, first served basis. Please choose your workshops prior to coming to Sawmill; last minute changes will be limited. Register early, not only to get your choice of workshops, but to allow us time to book rooms, order meals and prepare materials. Agencies should mail or fax registration forms as soon as possible and mail the payment as soon as it is ready. Certificates of attendance will be available to all Conference participants.

Continuing Education Credits:

We have applied for provider numbers for both Counselor and Social Work credit from the Licensure Board. In order to receive credit, your signature must appear on the Attendance Sheet circulated in each workshop. If you are a licensed social worker or counselor and need CEU's, please check the box on your registration form to speed the process. Requests made at the Conference will not be processed on site.

Registration Fee and Information

Two-Day Registration: February 8 and February 9, 2012

Sharing a room with one other person \$215.00
Single room \$255.00

Two-Day Registration includes all workshop fees, lodging on Wednesday night, coffee and rolls on Wednesday and Thursday mornings, lunch on Wednesday and Thursday, and dinner on Wednesday evening.

One-Day Registration: February 8 OR February 9, 2012

\$85.00

One-Day Registration includes all workshop fees, coffee and rolls in the morning, and lunch.

If you wish to stay at the Lodge on Monday, Tuesday or Thursday nights: you must enclose \$90 per night per room, not per person.

OACYCP will not assign roommates. Persons not listing a roommate will be assigned a single room at the \$255 rate.

Persons registering at the Conference should be prepared to pay fees with cash or an agency issued check.

Please make checks payable to OACYCP.

Questions about the Conference can be directed to Karen Blackmon at LHS Family and Youth Services by calling 419-693-1520 or to Steve Plottner by calling 419-798-9382.

Workshops

1. Never Be Lied to By Your Kids Again!

Do your kids lie to you? Want to know how to tell when they are? Then this workshop is for you. In this workshop you will learn:
1) Why kids lie; 2) Two kinds of lies and how to catch them; and
3) Clues that are “dead giveaways” that they’re lying.

Presenter: Ed Petrish
Professional Trainer, Coach and Consultant
Dynamic Achievement Institute
Direct Support Manager
Our Lady of the Wayside
Cleveland, Ohio

2. Sex in the City, and Beyond

Issues of sexual acting out with youth everywhere continues to be a concern. Addressing sexuality remains a concern, too, especially when those youth are in care. We will look at what has been learned over the past 25 years about “Best Practices” in addressing / educating / avoiding the issue of sexuality in youth. We will review the highlights and shortcomings of current models /resources available on the subject, and close with practical ways to institute these models into our programs.

Presenter: George Purgert, MSSA, LISW
Core Curriculum Master Trainer
2008 Kuster Award Recipient
Executive Director
Safely Home, Inc.
Bedford, Ohio

Workshops

3. Bullying Prevention and Awareness

This workshop will teach staff that work directly with children or parents how to teach their children to deal with “bullies.” Participants will gain empathy and understanding as to what their own children or the children they are working with are experiencing when they are bullied by their peers. Trainees will learn what and how to present this bullying problem to school personnel.

Presenter: Sr. Madeleine Rybicki, CSFN, MS
Director of Training
Holy Family Institute
Cleveland, Ohio

4. Youth Work and Success in School

This workshop will explore the ways that the skills of professional youth work and the curriculum in schools can come together for student success. We will also explore new innovative work on resilience drawn from a variety of sources including youth development, brain studies, education and strength-based approaches to meeting the learning challenges for our youth. Participants will receive a copy of the recent study on youth development and education conducted by youth work students preparing for certification at the University of Pittsburgh.

Presenter: Andrew Schneider-Munoz, Ed.D., CYC-P
Associate Professor
Coordinator, Concentration in Child & Youth Work
University of Pittsburgh School of Education

Workshops

5. Moving the Wall with Your Head: From Trauma Victim to Trauma Survivor

The youth that we see in out-of-home care today are victims of trauma. Trauma in all of its forms – abuse, neglect, violence, dysfunction, and loss – produce the by-products of mental illness, behavioral difficulties, educational concerns, and family disintegration. The goal of professionals working with trauma victims is to provide interventions and avenues that allow the youth and family to not be defined by the trauma but to become a successful survivor. This workshop will provide the participant with a basic understanding of trauma, its impact on youth, and therapeutic interventions.

Presenters: Chip Bonsutto, Ed.D., LSW, CYC-P
Director of Operations
Ohio Mentor Inc.
Valley View, Ohio

Harry L. Blackmon, MS, LPC
Executive Director
LHS Family and Youth Services
Toledo, Ohio

Workshops

6. The Tricks Haven't Changed...Just The Faces

Seems that most agencies have someone who can be heard saying "...the kids are getting worse every year." We will look at the statistics on this issue, and then address the real reasons behind the behaviors we see. This will include a review of diagnostic, environmental and relationship issues and impacts on our youth. Finally, we will concentrate on ways to engage kids to change their behaviors. Some ideas will be brand new; some will be updates of skills learned in the basics of Child Care.

Presenter: George Purgert, MSSA, LISW
Curriculum Master Trainer
2008 Kuster Award Recipient
Executive Director
Safely Home, Inc.
Bedford, Ohio

7. Creative Compromise! Conflict Management

Participants will learn how to avoid the behaviors that contribute to conflict, and how to prevent arguments and power struggles using cooperative communication. They will also learn how to maintain control without anger, threats, or stress.

Presenter: Ed Petrish
Professional Trainer, Coach and Consultant
Dynamic Achievement Institute
Direct Support Manager
Our Lady of the Wayside
Cleveland, Ohio

Workshops

8. It's time to "Keep It Simple" Behavioral Interventions

Are you amongst many others who get lost with all the terminology of ISP, BSP, CPI, TCI, PAR, IR, MUI or is it an UI ? Meeting emotional and physical needs of children and youth in care isn't always the easiest thing to do. Today, I invite you to come explore some proven effective behavioral interventions that are reality based for the here and now of today's high risk youth. Participants will leave with a better understanding of how thinking, feelings and behaviors effect a care givers responses. Are you the thermometer or the thermostat?

Presenter: Joel Haberland, CYC-P
Core Master Trainer
2004 Kuster Award Winner
LSCI Master Trainer
2011 CPI Hall of Fame-Merit
CPI-Master Trainer

Workshops

9. The Struggles of Middle Management Today

In today's fast pace social service world, there is an never ending list of documents to be completed as well as the need to provide good, quality services to clients and family. As a supervisor, it become our responsibility to ensure that all of these occur on a weekly, monthly and annual basis. Our programs are reviewed, revised, and evaluated by such standards. In addition, the progress or lack of growth by our clients is ever under the microscope. We will look at ways to measure and improve productivity, while at the same time promoting best practices in the services that our staff deliver. As management staff, we serve as the buffer between the front line staff in the field and the agency executives. The task is challenging, yet rewarding.

Presenter: Thomas Chronister, MA, PCC-S, LICDC
Director of Youth Services
Program Manager
Ohio Mentor Inc.
Canton, Ohio

10. Ethics as Positive Practice

Professional ethics are powerful statements of our practice values, developed by thoughtful and concerned colleagues. We will explore the functions of professional ethics and more specifically the processes of "doing ethics" and "ethics as positive practice". The goal is to enhance our integration of ethical principles into practice. Participants are encouraged to reflect ahead on ethical concerns from their practice experience.

Presenter: Martha Mattingly, Ph.D. CYC-P
Professor Emeritus
University of Pittsburgh

Workshops

11. National Child and Youth Care Certification Testing

OACYCP is offering conference participants the opportunity to complete testing for the national full professional child and youth care credential. Attainment of this credential demonstrates that a practitioner has met the highest competency standards in the profession as established by the child and youth care professional community. The credential documents a practitioner's experience, training and competence. It offers a credential recognized across practice settings and regional areas. Practitioners passing the 75-item multiple-choice, scenario-based exam are eligible to submit an application for certification. The application process includes submission of an application, references, supervisor assessments, and an electronic portfolio. Additional certification information can be found at www.cyccb.org. Please note that there is an additional \$75.00 testing fee for this workshop in addition to the conference registration fee. Or, an applicant may register for this workshop only for a \$75.00 testing fee.

12. Anatomy of a Teen

This workshop will address the nature and central issues related to adolescent development, describe normal development, and take a look at the effects of abuse and neglect on the development of the adolescent child. The workshop will also give practical suggestions for assisting the adolescent child as they transition from childhood into young adults.

Presenter: Biljana Grujicic
Core Curriculum Master Trainer
Parma, Ohio

About Our Keynote

**“Celebrating Our Achievements, Creating Our Future”
by Dr. Martha Mattingly**

Child and Youth Care in North America has made significant progress toward being an organized and effective profession working with and for children, youth and families. It is important for us to recognize and value these achievements which are our platform for new initiatives. We will reflect, wonder and imagine how we can move forward together to create the future of Child and Youth Care Work.

About Our Thursday Luncheon Presentation

**“Professional Growth and Development”
by Dr. Dale Curry**

Child and youth work practitioners promote the development of children and youth within a variety of life spaces. Practitioners must also focus on their own development within the context of ever-widening work spaces. Explore how to think developmentally about yourself to enhance your own professional growth and self-awareness.

Conference Schedule

Wednesday, February 8, 2012 A.M.

8:30 a.m.-9:00 a.m. Registration, Coffee, Rolls

9:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Workshops

1. Never Be Lied To Again
2. Sex in the City, and Beyond
3. Bullying Prevention and Awareness
4. Youth Work and Success in School
5. From Trauma Victim to Trauma Survivor

12:15 p.m.-1:30 p.m. Luncheon

Keynote Presentation: Dr. Martha Mattingly

Prize drawings and giveaways

Conference Schedule

Wednesday, February 8, 2012 P.M.

1:30 p.m.-4:45 p.m. Workshops

6. The Tricks Haven't Changed
7. Creative Compromise!
Conflict Management
8. Behavioral Interventions
9. Middle Management
10. Ethics
11. Certification Testing

4:45 p.m.

Annual Meeting of Association

6:00 p.m.

Catered Buffet
Prize drawings and giveaways

Evening

DJ & Karaoke in the Main Lounge
Pool Tournament on the Upper Level
Bingo Fun on the Upper Level
Euchre Tournament on the Lower Level

Conference Schedule

Thursday, February 9, 2012

8:30 a.m.-9:00 a.m. Registration, Coffee, Rolls

9:00 p.m.-12:15 p.m. Workshops

2. Sex in the City, and Beyond
3. Bullying Prevention and Awareness
7. Creative Compromise
Conflict Management
9. Middle Management
12. Anatomy of a Teen

12:15 p.m.-1:30 p.m. Luncheon

Speaker: Dr. Dale Curry

Presentation of Awards

Raffle and giveaways

1:30 p.m.- 4:45 p.m. Workshops

1. Never Be Lied To Again
5. From Trauma Victim to Trauma Survivor
6. The Tricks Haven't Changed
8. Behavioral Interventions

32nd Annual Conference Registration Form

Name _____

Agency _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Please check registration desired:

_____ Full Conference; sharing a room: meals: breaks \$215*

_____ Full Conference; single room; meals; breaks \$255

_____ One-Day Wednesday only; lunch and break \$ 85

_____ One-Day Thursday only; lunch and break \$ 85

_____ Monday night room Add \$ 90

_____ Tuesday night room Add \$ 90

***I would like to share a room**

with: _____

_____ **I am licensed and I request Social Worker or Counselor
CEU's**

Please list your choice of workshops below, in order of preference:

Wednesday a.m. Wednesday p.m. Thursday a.m. Thursday p.m.

1. _____

2. _____

**Send this form, along with a check payable to OACYCP to:
Ohio Association of Child and Youth Care Professionals
Attention: Karen Blackmon
2411 Seaman Street
Toledo, Ohio 43605**

