

# Ending Child Sexual Abuse

web conference series



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## Including Efforts to End Child Sexual Abuse within the Sexual Violence Prevention Movement

Session descriptions, recording, and materials can be found at <http://preventconnect.org/2012/04/web-conference-ending-child-sexual-abuse-1/>

Chat  
May 3, 2012

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There will be print out of the slides - there are at <http://preventconnect.org/2012/04/web-conference-ending-child-sexual-abuse-1/>

So great to have a full house today!

<http://preventconnect.org/2012/04/web-conference-ending-child-sexual-abuse-1/>

<http://www.nieman.harvard.edu/reportsitem.aspx?id=101384>

Ropeik, David. Understanding Factors of Risk Perception. Nieman Reports: Nieman Foundation for Journalism at Harvard. Winter 2002.

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What field or perspectives do you from?

advocacy

education

Sexuality, Working with Sex Offenders and broad based mobilization

education

advocacy

prevention educator and rape crisis advocate

survivor

child focused education

education

children's advocacy within a div/sa shelter

advocacy

advocacy prevention through education

children's advocate in dual shelter

prevention, education  
social justice  
Primary prevention - education for adults, community based  
educating children AND parents/ community... educators  
education and awareness  
advocacy and education  
raising awareness  
Our agency refers SA to our sister agency  
Community-based, diversity-acknowledged, public health prevention-oriented, restorative and transformative.  
VIPP/DV/SA Victim Advocacy  
Prevention, I am starting a DV/SA Prevention Program in Ketchikan.  
awareness  
survivor  
Domestic Abuse and Sexual Assault/Advocate/primary prevention  
We monitor visits and keep the children safe while they visit.  
prevention education, advocacy  
education, responsible parent involvement  
public policy approaches and perpetration prevention  
advocacy, especially in working with parents of survivors  
Supervised visitation and Monitored exchange program  
Teaching young teen mothers to listen to "gut feeling"....Listening to inner voice, honoring child's behaviors  
asking as assessment of part of FP and STD Clinics  
as well as in the school system  
training, education, research, outreach  
advocacy and victim services  
education, prevention, advocacy to the public in our service area  
Advocacy  
Advocacy and Prevention  
Female victims of trauma in the Juvenile Justice System  
Working with youth with sexual behavior problems and youth who sexually offend  
School-based programs and public education  
trainings, prevention and awareness for all disciplines around the state  
Magda Embden-Rape Crisis  
outreach advocate  
DV/SA Advocate & Foster Care  
Advocacy  
Advocate and mental health background  
primary prevention and advocacy  
I use empowerment. I give children tools to empower them to know what to do in uncomfortable situations using  
the evidenced based safety rule NO GO TELL  
primary prevention - help for the medical community-SARTs  
Prevention Do programs in school and Mandated reporter trainings  
education!!!! educating people on the signs of abuse, questions to ask. A lot of people are scared to ask questions  
because they don't want to offend people  
feminism  
our work focuses on strengthening families to prevent abuse - now we are moving on to community based  
strengthening - all adults are responsible for children  
Training educators and developing perpetrator prevention programming in schools  
primary prevention  
social justice  
social service/social change, education and advocacy  
survivor stories of African American experience  
Advocacy  
prevention and education  
Journalist looking to tell the stories of prevention.  
Media analysis of CSA in the news

Sexual Assault Advocate

Go Gina!!

YAY FOR GINA!

<http://barcc.org/information/educators/ece/download/>

@besafeboston

will the recorded version of this be available for viewing/listening later?

What disciplines have you created alliances with to prevent child sexual abuse?

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family resource centers, local domestic violence and SA centers, other community collaboratives  
early childhood

Head start- Good Touch, Bad touch Puppet Shows

those working with sex offenders

aids network, family planning

healthy sexuality education

women in distress, kids in distress

youth centers, presentations in schools, in home parenting

Childrens Advocacy Center, Law Enforcement and school systems

head start

local DV agencies, schools, youth programs

Early childhood development centers, DV, Jails, Prisons, schools

education system, head start

headstart, the schools and prevention coalition

Enough Abuse Campaign Sites

Gloucester Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Partnership

Greater Lowell Partnership Against Sexual Assault

Newton/Waltham Community Partnership to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse

North Quabbin Community Coalition – Sexual Abuse Prevention Project

Private Member Agencies

Academy of Pediatrics – Massachusetts Chapter

Boston Area Rape Crisis Center (BARCC)

Jane Doe, Inc., MA Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence

Jeffrey Curley Foundation

Massachusetts Adolescent Sex Offender Coalition

Massachusetts Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers

Massachusetts Child Assault Prevention Program (CAPP)

Massachusetts Children's Alliance

Massachusetts Coalition for Sexual Offender Management

Massachusetts Medical Society

Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children

National Association of Social Workers – Massachusetts Chapter

Parents Helping Parents

The Home for Little Wanderers

Voice of the Faithful – Protecting Our Children Working Group

Public Member Agencies

Governor's Council to Address Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence

Massachusetts Children's Trust Fund

Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care

Massachusetts Department of Mental Health

Massachusetts Department of Public Health

Massachusetts Department of Children and Families

Massachusetts Department of Transitional Assistance

Massachusetts Sex Offender Registry Board

Massachusetts Office for Victim Assistance

schools, sheltered work facilities

parents/guardians/caregivers, early childhood, teen outreach providers, healthcare providers, parent educators

Social Services, education, law enforcement.  
headstart & faith base  
mandate reporter training, collaboration with medical providers to inform curriculum for medical providers  
working with Head Start and other local schools especially speaking to the parents  
school systems and after school programs, DSS/CPS  
pediatritians, early childhood education students  
The education system  
Local DV agencies, Local Native organizations, police, courts, public health, Girl Scouts, schools  
faith based/public schooling  
schools/ runaway teen shelter/ juvenile home/ great start head start/ law enforcement  
health departments and law enforcement has been most of where we are working to continue strengthening our  
partnerships  
business community  
thank you  
Sex Offender Registry staff, Health Departments, Department of Children's Services, Mental Health, attorneys,  
A.D.A.'s, judges, jails, probation officers, hospital and clinic staff  
Foster care, school system, community organizations, non profits, juvenile justice, DFCS  
work collaboratively  
with the courts, probation and the juvenile detention center to provide services for our female clientele  
ditto Cynthia...  
working with the courts is such a crucial step...  
County office of Ed, school districts, Head Start, Cal Works, Boys&Girls club, Point Break, Reconnect  
crucial\*  
racism too  
Many oppressions, poverty, ableism...  
Seems like chemical abuse and physical abuse are two halves of the same cycle.  
Intergenerational trauma and grief as well  
Institute of Medicine. (2001) No time to lose: Getting more from HIV prevention. Washington, DC: National  
Academics Press.  
Thank you for talking about male survivors Donna!  
Learn more about the the 2009 Summit at <http://calcasa.org/prevention/prevention-rocks-minnesota-summit/>  
[www.demandthechangeforchildren.wordpress.com](http://www.demandthechangeforchildren.wordpress.com)  
I love this graphic!  
Such a brilliant idea!  
I love the symbolism of having a conversatio at the "Mall of America." Never thought I would say but wish I were  
at the mall!  
In what ways did you drive people to the website?  
How do you handle the public misinformation that might get posted on the social media etc...?  
Great questions - we will get to them soon  
great qutoe by Gloria Steinem  
quote\*  
What strategies are most likely to make significant progress toward ending child sexual abuse?  
early childhood education  
public awareness, education  
Shift from intense individual skills for children to community-level policies and conversations between adults  
any and all education pathways, radio, news, early childhood, through email, through web video, through live  
seminars, online seminars.  
end child pornography  
give people tools/words/courage to step forward about what they see  
community-specific  
serious judicial consequences or human castration!  
education in early stage, the media,  
Education and public awareness.  
early childood and parent education about perpetration  
Break down the social norms of deviant sexual pornography, and sexual violence  
Education through the media-Direct services with families and children

Home visiting programs for high risk pregnant women/ women with infants required school based curriculum legislation. For instance Erin's Law continued primary prevention

In our rural communities, people admitting that this does happen here address hypersexualization of girls

Better links to resources for parents/adults around children and youth with sexual behavior problems so there are options for them beyond ignoring the behavior

education in pediatric clinics

Taking it to the early childhood educators, and young children. Teach them through interactive activities..like a play they can watch

empowering parents and strengthening healthy families

partnering with the media, re-define imagery involving violence toward women and children, talking about the issue, and keep talking about it.

Donna you stole my answer. 😊

will all of the chat info as well as the visual presentation be available for future review/use?

Require schools to include education for children, staff, faculty great minds!

#### EARLY EDUCATION

Good Touch, Bad Touch should be MANDATORY & taught to all children in the schools. The children need to be empowered. Educators need to be educated. Parents need to be educated.

addressing intergenerational and historical trauma and grief

A desire for open conversation and a desire for education about protecting children. breaking down the "it can't happen to me" to how can I protect all children.

Education at all levels, clinicians, victims, potential victims, judges, teachers, and anyone who has close contact with children

all and any approach is meaningful as well as including anyone and everyone (individuals, community leaders, communities and institutions) need to be involved

tailoring education to specific cultural groups as well

creating safe places for children to disclose abuse

I second early education, and early ed directly to parents around identifying risks to their children around sexual abuse; holding offenders more accountable

While this isn't primary prevention, we must demand OFFENDER ACCOUNTABILITY! I continue to be horrified by the number of cases that are closed as unfounded, or perpetrators who are found not guilty, and how the public (providers included) decide then, that they are, in fact, not guilty. The rates of prosecution are sickening.

need for political figure to take a stand and promote the dialogue and keep the conversation going.

Healthy sexuality & relationship training in K-12

Sandy, here is a link for the slides <http://preventconnect.org/2012/04/web-conference-ending-child-sexual-abuse-1/>

Primary prevention and intervention starting in early education through middle and HS and continuing in community and church involvement and awareness activities.

policies like no 1-adult-1 child in schools, daycares, etc.

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empowering parents to drop in unexpectedly on any adult with their children

Florida child advocates have pushed for legislation that addresses domestic minor sex trafficking. Do you see this issue as critical focus for child sexual abuse prevention and intervention?

Thank you Leona and David!!!! Much appreciated... hard to keep up with it ALL!! 😊 and listen too!!

hello and yes the offender accountability piece is critical for prevention and survivor/family/community healing

[www.nsvrc.org](http://www.nsvrc.org)

when parents are not concerned with who they allow to supervise their children, who will/or can step in as move towards prevention??

as we\*

LOVE LOVE LOVE !!! NSVRC!!! for all the resources available!

Except, too often, a parent or relative is the perpetrator, so the parents/guardians believe that are making choices involving safety. We have to help parents give children the language to communicate with someone is hurting them,

the safety for their children to talk about those issues (hopefully never to have to disclose), and tools they, God forbid, could use to respond should their children disclose and/or to engage in open, age-appropriate communication  
[www.nsvrc.org/projects/preventing-child-sexual-abuse-online-resource-collection](http://www.nsvrc.org/projects/preventing-child-sexual-abuse-online-resource-collection)

Online Collection [www.nsvrc.org/projects/preventing-child-sexual-abuse-online-resource-collection](http://www.nsvrc.org/projects/preventing-child-sexual-abuse-online-resource-collection)

National Resource Directory [www.nsvrc.org/publications/nsvrc-publications/national-resource-directory-handbook-preventing-child-sexual-abuse](http://www.nsvrc.org/publications/nsvrc-publications/national-resource-directory-handbook-preventing-child-sexual-abuse)

informed reporters should consider what that responsibility truly means

True, Katie!

Literature Review <http://www.nsvrc.org/publications/child-sexual-abuse-prevention-and-risk-reduction-literature-review-parents-and-guardians>

We are a multi agency Court program working with adjudicated juvenile females, not only as perpetrator but as victim and provide female responsive programming dealing with violence and trauma. Sadly, most don't get services until they are in the juvenile justice system.

Information Packet <http://www.nsvrc.org/publications/child-sexual-abuse-prevention-information-packet>

anyone have experience with the Talking About Touching program?

we also need to focus some attention on those families who are not perpetrating and why are they NOT perpetrating and then build those protective factors throughout our community

YAY, KATIE!

SAAM [www.nsvrc.org/saam](http://www.nsvrc.org/saam) and Rural Public Service Announcement Campaign <http://www.nsvrc.org/rural-psa>

I've reviewed the good touch bad touch curriculum with parents and children but have never used the talking about touching program

supporting parents in giving their children control over their bodies is huge for me. If parents guilt or shame their children for not wanting to give hugs and kisses to family/friends/etc., how are they supposed to learn that they are supposed to have control of their bodies?

We really appreciated the It's time to talk about it campaign!

I much prefer the Care for Kids program to and Good Touch/Bad Touch focused programming if you're doing work with children.

Online Collection [www.nsvrc.org/projects/engaging-bystanders](http://www.nsvrc.org/projects/engaging-bystanders) and Online Learning Tool

<http://www.nsvrc.org/elearning/3546> and National Goals

<http://www.preventtogether.org/Resources/Documents/NationalPlan2012FINAL.pdf> (or just [www.preventtogether.org](http://www.preventtogether.org) if preferred)

Please go to [www.youtube.com/turningpointnetwork](http://www.youtube.com/turningpointnetwork) to see a video created by teens focused on bystander action.

what about the green dot initiative? anyone familiar with that model?

I've yet to hear about it Sherri

Green Dot seems to be spreading across Alaska. We are looking in to incorporating that here in Ketchikan.

<http://www.livethegreendot.com/>

What propels us forward?

They've invested all of their RPE money into it in Kentucky...

we're looking at it for POW too. Are you going to the training in KY in July?

What are some of the barriers?

Add in your thoughts about what propels you and what are your barriers

Love bystander engagement and supporting anything that helps to shifts community norms to create healthy relationships

a main barrier is lack of knowledge and ignorance

one of our barriers is some turf issues between rape crisis centers and child abuse prevention folks struggling for funding

funding and having enough primary prevention staff

The biggest barrier is denial that there is a problem in our island community

Propel: Hearing inspiring survivor stories - and wondering how they might have been able to bring other talents to bear had they not had to spend personal resources on surviving!

Check out our healthy sexuality guide for more information

[http://www.nsvrc.org/sites/default/files/SAAM\\_2012\\_Healthy-sexuality-a-guide-for-advocates-counselors-and-prevention-educators.pdf](http://www.nsvrc.org/sites/default/files/SAAM_2012_Healthy-sexuality-a-guide-for-advocates-counselors-and-prevention-educators.pdf)

barrier is that we are starting from the ground up here

We serve a large rural area and our biggest issue is "everyone knows everyone" so you don't say anything even if you know it is wrong. Also, people in our areas do not report incidents

How can we support your new efforts Sherri?

Community barriers are generational perpetration, rite of passage mentality

I know pediatricians who work with young teens to talk about abuse. I wonder if engaging older teens as patients, and potential allies, bystanders who might help stop perpetration, rather than as potential offenders, might help health care providers have the conversations.

we have had hints that our legislature has some "new" money for us. we are trying to decide what to pitch/how big of an ask to make, knowing that it may be a one time shot

Mary, has there ever been an idea to use the "everyone knows everyone" as a way to promote the "it takes a village" mentality

How can we use the rural reality of everyone knowing everyone to "everyone doing something" to prevent child sexual abuse?

the mentality of sexual exploration versus sexual abuse especially in cases between siblings

Mary, i think in terms of sexual violence that is a real dilemma for closer to home strategies as katie was also bringing up- for me that is why primary prevention is so important- it is such a mess in the aftermath to put it mildly

Thanks @DemandtheChange from @PreventConnect (speaking twitter)

Leona, that is what I have always thought, that because you do know these people wouldn't you WANT to say something?

but, our problem is because they know, it doesn't get reported so we don't know where and who needs the help the most

What is ONE action you can suggest for others to prevent child sexual abuse?

Mary, I think that's when as Gina said, primary prevention becomes crucial

CCR with schools

talk to your legislators and position yourself as resource of information to them as they consider public policy related to sexual violence and abuse.

Melissa Gopnik from BARCC talked about becoming "askable" to friends, family, community

educate yourself about healthy sexuality and get comfortable talking about it

Prevention at schools K-12

Agreed Leona.

I'd like to have it spelled out how talking to and educating children is part of "primary prevention." I think it is important, and I do it, but I see it as risk-reduction, rather than targeting offenders. Prevention might be targeting cultural images sexualizing children.

we should follow each other's social media "walls" and share information as to share info quickly and easily

Sherri, I think healthy sexuality education is very important across the life span

Teach your children the proper names for their body parts, and allow them to choose when or if they would like to show affection, touch or be touched.

[www.facebook.com/enoughabuse](http://www.facebook.com/enoughabuse) ... share yours and we should all cross like ...

Follow us @NSVRC on twitter

perhaps a flyer/brochure about this issue/prevention to hand to expectant mothers at Planned Parenthood expectant during their pre natal care

Educate on HEALTHY SEXUALITY...pornography is a barrier

Prevention education starting in preschool

<http://www.elsevierfoundation.org/innovative-libraries/how-to-apply/>

early childhood :& K-12 education programs to empower children into adulthood (also empowers families!)

An exciting area is looking at what communities can do and community based organizations in particular.

media literacy that identifies hypersexualization of girls and women. Internet safety.

our education of the media is critical!

I think the one thing is to reach out to parents. It is important that the children get educated about this as well, but it's the parents that most children learn from

Education of all parties involved with children.

[www.madelineshouse.org](http://www.madelineshouse.org) and we are on Facebook

Pre-professional training (educators, medical professionals) on sexual misconduct (addressing boundaries with clients/students/etc)

[www.metrac.org](http://www.metrac.org). We are on facebook and twitter @metracorg

CHeck out NSVRC frameworks work as well [www.nsvrc.org](http://www.nsvrc.org)

Very much looking forward to speaking with you all next month!

Education across the board. Enough staff in schools and community to provide the awareness and education that is needed. Love the idea of including schools in CCR.

social awareness, one person at a time...I think it is important that we make this a topic area around our peers

Thank you Ms and PreventConnect looking forward to next one!

across the board actually\*

thank you!

Thanks to all speakers for the value information... Great presentation Sally!!! I agree with all you said...

thanks to all the speakers!!

we are off to a great start!

Thank you!

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Your chats is what really made this such a rich discussion

Thank you for great input!

THanks everyone HOPE is the word on my mind

someone mentioned earlier bringing awareness to male survivors... I have a great contact for a presenter that put s face ot this

is there a certificate of completion of this training program??

you can email if youd like more info kmccaffery@centerffs.org

feel free to contact me at slaskey@nsvrc.org

Primary Prevention using NO GO TELL check out [www.mybodybelongstome.org](http://www.mybodybelongstome.org) or [www.primarypreventionworks.org](http://www.primarypreventionworks.org)

Would appreciate any thoughts on most effective messaging for general audience, i.e., promoting healthy sexuality versus preventing child sexual abuse. Please feel free to contact me to share story ideas about community-based prevention in your area. I'm working on a number of stories about the growing prevention movement, and would love to hear your news and experiences. catherinebuni@gmail.com