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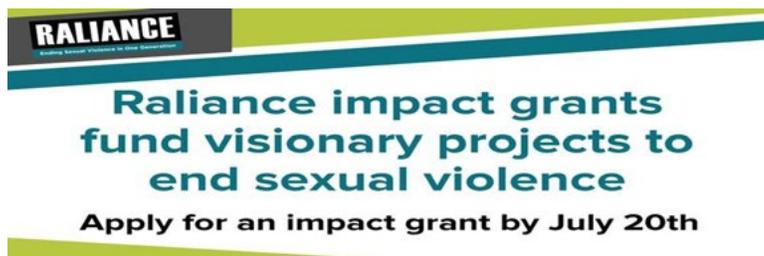
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Get trained in Healthy Relationships Project!

Adapted summary: Prevent Child Abuse Vermont (PCAVT) has announced an opportunity August 7 & 8, 2017 to become trained in their comprehensive sexual abuse prevention programs. The two-day Healthy Relationships Project training will be held in their Montpelier office and will equip attendees with the knowledge and skills to bring all aspects of the Care for Kids (for children in Pre-school - grade 2), We Care Elementary (for children in grades 3-6), and SAFE-T (for children in grades 7 and 8) programs - including adult training, parent engagement, and in-classroom instruction—to their communities. The cost is \$500 for the full two days of training. Curriculums, complete with supplemental handouts, books, dolls and other materials, are available for purchase. The Care for Kids curriculum kit is \$250, and We Care Elementary and SAFE-T are each \$208. We also have a three-curriculum bundle price of \$550. Please contact Beth Hoffman at 1-800-975-7147 or bhoffman@pcavt.org, for more information or to sign up for this training. To learn more about our other child abuse prevention programs, e-mail pcavt@pcavt.org.



Raliance announces impact grant award letters of interest solicitation.

Adapted summary: Raliance asks - do you have a visionary project to end sexual violence? Raliance will be awarding \$600,000 to the field in grants up to \$50,000.

Intent to Submit forms are due July 20, 2017.

Raliance impact grantees are helping to change the culture in one generation. Together we are aligning sexual violence services, prevention, messaging, and policy goals. We also are contributing to the existing body of evidence, promising practices, and replicable programs related to sexual violence. In our last two grant cycles, we've driven close to \$1.8M into the prevention field. Our grantees are working on bold, innovative projects from across our three funding categories:

Category 1: Services and advocacy to improve the response to victims of sexual violence.

Category 2: Strategies to reduce the likelihood of perpetration of sexual violence.

Category 3: Prevention strategies to strengthen community capacity to create safe environments.

All LOIs must be received by **5pmET on July 20, 2017**. For more information, visit www.raliance.org.

Funded projects will begin April 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019. [Learn more and submit](#) today.

The purpose of this eNews is to provide members of the National Coalition to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse & Exploitation monthly updates on trends, issues, studies, and work being done in the field of child sexual exploitation prevention. The material highlighted in the eNews is for information purposes only and does not constitute an endorsement. If you believe you are receiving this email in error or would like to unsubscribe from this service, please email: PreventTogether@gmail.com.

Mark your calendar for our annual all-member meeting!

Adapted summary: The National Coalition to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation will hold the **annual all-member meeting in Seattle, WA on September 12, 2017**. The Committee for Children will be hosting the meeting at their offices. An optional dinner get-together is planned on the evening of September 11th. Details about hotels and other opportunities are coming soon! Many thanks to Julie Patrick, Adrienne Hoffman-Lewis and Tiffany Sawyer for their work in selecting a site and to Joan Duffell and Jennifer Lincoln of Committee of Children for their generosity and work making all the arrangements.



**SAVE THE DATE: OCTOBER 17-18, 2017
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA**

HOSTED BY:



Adapted summary: Featured keynote speakers announced for the 2017 National Youth Protection Symposium include Kevin Mulcahy, Executive Assistant U.S. Attorney and child sexual abuse survivor and James Mercy, Ph.D., Director of the Division of Violence Prevention at The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

More information coming soon about topics, resources and networking opportunities.

Save the Date! ATSA 36th Annual Research and Treatment Conference

October 25 - 28, 2017

Kansas City, Missouri

[Sheraton Kansas City Hotel at Crown Center](#)



ATSA response statement.

Adapted summary: ATSA has developed and is distributing a response to the U.S. House of Representatives passage of HR1761, the Protecting Against Child Exploitation Act of 2017. You can find the statement at <http://bit.ly/2siz8AC>.

ATSA conference selfie giveaway

Adapted summary: The ATSA Prevention Committee wants to see how you prevent sexual abuse! Take a selfie showing how you do prevention and incorporate something ATSA related. Let ATSA know about your activity and use the hashtag **#atsaprevention** to enter to win a conference registration for 2017!

The ATSA Board recently voted to change the ATSA Journal's name.

Adapted summary: The journal name has changed to *Sexual Abuse*, dropping the secondary title. The ATSA Board of Directors recently voted unanimously to change the title, in order to better reflect the evolving mission of the journal. In particular, the change reflects that the journal's aims involve high-quality scientific research and a scope that focuses on, but is broader than, treatment. The journal is intended to be an outlet for scholarly work on the characteristics of perpetrators or those at risk of perpetration, and with the etiology, life course, assessment and prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse. Treatment providers have been and will remain a core part of the journal's intended audience, but ATSA also wants to include policy-makers, judges and lawyers, correctional staff, and other professionals who all have something to contribute to the understanding and response to the problems of sexual exploitation and abuse.

APSAC offers Child Forensic Interview Clinics.

Adapted summary: As publishers of the national standards on Child Forensic Interviews and pioneers of the structured narrative interview model, APSAC offers the opportunity to learn from field experts in an immersive 40-hour clinic.

Who Should Attend?

If you are a professional in the fields of child advocacy, law enforcement, child protective services, social services, medicine, law, and mental health, or your job includes forensic interviewing of suspected victims of child maltreatment, APSAC Child Forensic Interview Clinics will be a valuable resource for you.

When and Where:

Seattle, WA - July 31-August 4

Norfolk, VA - September 11-15

Registration and more information [here](#).

**partial scholarships available for law enforcement*

CDC releases [Preventing Intimate Partner Violence Across the Lifespan: A Technical Package of Programs, Policies, and Practices.](#)

Adapted summary: The CDC has released Preventing Intimate Partner Violence Across the Lifespan: A Technical Package of Programs, Policies, and Practices to help states and communities prioritize efforts to prevent intimate partner violence. The technical package is intended as a resource to guide prevention decision-making to help communities and states stop intimate partner violence before it starts, support survivors, and lessen the short and long-term harms of intimate partner violence.



New eLearning course available for preventing child sexual abuse in schools from the Enough Abuse Campaign.

Adapted summary: Many states have passed laws mandating schools to educate their staffs about child sexual abuse and how to prevent it. More are expected to follow this trend as schools face increased liability and penalties for not responding to and reporting suspected or disclosed cases. Teachers surveyed

say they lack confidence in their ability to identify sexual abuse and to respond appropriately to suspicions.

“Enough! Preventing Child Sexual Abuse in My School” was designed specifically for school personnel to educate them about a problem the U.S. Department of Education reports is affecting nearly 10% of children and teens between kindergarten and grade 12. This interactive and engaging one-hour course integrates the latest prevention research with cutting-edge findings on effective online learning. The resource will help school staff develop the skills and confidence they need to identify and stop boundary-violating behaviors that, if left unchallenged, could escalate into sexual misconduct and reportable sexual offenses. [Read more](#) about how your school can reduce its liability as it improves its reputation among students, parents, and your community.

Save-the-Date!
National Conference on Innovative Strategies to Prevent Educator Sexual Misconduct
October 20, 2017 at District Hall Innovation Center, Boston

Adapted summary: Join with national and state education leaders and child sexual abuse prevention advocates to share best practices and learn latest strategies to prevent sexual abuse in public and private schools. Topics to include: the latest research on the prevalence of educator sexual misconduct in U.S. schools; implementing comprehensive and achievable sexual abuse safe child standards for your school; model practices for screening prospective employees to avoid those who may pose a sexual risk to children; developing codes of conduct to prevent boundary-violating behaviors before they can escalate to reportable abuse; ESSA's prohibition against "passing the trash" and on confidentiality agreements aimed at suppressing investigations; lessons schools facing sexual abuse scandals are learning regarding the need for transparency; reducing vulnerabilities for sexual victimization among children and teens with disabilities; model legislative efforts aimed at comprehensive prevention education within schools; state-of-the-field training and resources available to assist schools in preventing sexual abuse from ever occurring.

Co-convened by [MassKids](#) and the [National Center for Victims of Crime](#)

Contact info@masskids for details and sponsorship opportunities.



Save the Date: Darkness to Light's Ignite 2017 [National Facilitator Conference](#) October 10 & 11, 2017! Connecting successful initiatives. Bringing the best ideas back to communities.

Adapted summary: IGNITE 2017 is Darkness to Light's Inaugural Facilitator Conference. IGNITE will bring together Darkness to Light Authorized Facilitators, child sexual abuse professionals and experts, researchers, and individuals from a wide variety of disciplines who share a commitment to the prevention of child sexual abuse. The conference will engage attendees on a national level to enhance their knowledge of child sexual abuse prevention as well as provide advanced training, connect successful community initiatives together, and help individuals bring the best ideas back to their communities.

The conference will be held at the Boy Scouts of America Atlanta Area Council located at 1800 Circle 75 Parkway SE in Atlanta, GA on October 10th and 11th, 2017.

Don't Miss Early Bird Registration! [REGISTER TODAY!](#)

The Landscape of Community Prevention Webinar.

Adapted summary: On June 13, 2017 the National Coalition to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation hosted a webinar that showcased several of the most successful community-based child sexual abuse prevention initiatives in the U.S. Jetta Bernier of MassKids and Enough Abuse and Tiffany Sawyer of the Georgia Center for Child Advocacy described the initiatives that they sponsor - including philosophy, scope, substance, outcomes, cost, and funding sources. The webinar was a fascinating look into prevention efforts taking place in the U.S. today.

If you missed it, don't worry! The webinar was recorded and is available on the National Coalition [website](#) in the members-only section. Many thanks to our member presenters, Jetta Bernier and Tiffany Sawyer and to Adrienne Hoffman-Lewis and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children for their technical services and support.

Gray matter anomalies in pedophiles with and without a history of child sexual offending.

Schiffer, B., Amelung, T., Pohl, A., Kaergel, C., Tenbergen, G., Gerwinn, H.,...Walter, H. (2017). *Translational Psychiatry*, 7, e1129; doi:10.1038/tp.2017.96

Adapted summary: Pedophilia is a psychiatric disorder that is interrelated with but distinct from child sexual offending (CSO). Neural alterations reportedly contribute to both pedophilia and CSO, but until now, no study has distinguished the brain structural anomalies associated with pedophilia from those specifically associated with CSO in pedophilic men. The data in this [study](#) may provide the first evidence that CSO in pedophilia rather than pedophilia alone is associated with GM anomalies and thus shed new light on the results of previous studies on this topic. These results indicate the need for new neurobehavioral theories on pedophilia and CSO and may be potentially useful for treatment or prevention approaches that aim to reduce the risk of (re)offending in pedophilia.

Committee for Children's Policy News You Can Use: [June 2017](#).

Adapted summary: June is LGBTQ Pride month. Within the Policy News, Committee for Children highlighted GLSEN's [From Teasing to Torment: School Climate Revisited](#), a 2015 survey of secondary school students and teachers in U.S. middle schools and high schools. The report shows that bias-based bullying and harassment remain a significant problem linked to school climate, disciplinary actions, extracurricular activities, and teacher perception, preparation, and practices.

July Social Media Engagement Calendar:

- July 6 - 8: [National Coalition for Sexual Health annual conference](#)
- July 19: [PreventConnect Web Conference: Organizing for Economic Opportunity: Movements and Strategies to Improve Economic Opportunities for Sexual and Domestic Violence Prevention](#)
- July 25: [PreventConnect Web Conference: #PowerInPrevention Ending Child Sexual Abuse: New Look at Addressing Children with Problematic Sexual Behavior](#)

Submit your events or awareness campaigns for inclusion into next month's Social Media Engagement Calendar to drive awareness of your organization!

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