New Jersey Association of Domestic Violence Professionals
12th Annual Conference

More than 120 participants enjoyed our 12th Annual NJADVP/NJCBW conference on June 12th with positive evaluation comments about the keynote “Footprints and Footsteps” by Pat Stanislaski, and the fourteen workshops held during morning and afternoon sessions. Abbigail Houk, Client Relationship Manager, at APRISS, INC., joined us for a lunchtime presentation on the VINE notification system’s newest mobile application. Artist Vimala Gade with New Jersey VSA, a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the creative power of people with disabilities, displayed her paintings for participants to enjoy. Rutgers school of social work partnered with us to provide social work credits for the conference. Our thanks to Lisa Smith and the Office for Violence Prevention and Victim Assistance at Rutgers, for sponsoring the conference once again.

Dream Catchers

On July 23rd at 10:00 AM, NJCBW’s Human Trafficking Task Force is inviting all member programs to join us for meet and greet with the new statewide Dream Catchers human trafficking program staff, Director Dawne Lomangino – DiMauro and the three regional case managers. Please join us at NJCBW to hear about the Dream Catchers initiative and to learn what new human trafficking services are now being provided throughout the state.

Shelter Our Sisters

Jane Shivas and SOS Executive Director Elaine Meyerson at the Ribbon Cutting for the new SOS offices on June 9th.

Deaf Advocacy Meeting

Rose Williams, NJCBW Social Justice Administrator, coordinated a second meeting in June that will be key to the developing Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault programming for residents of New Jersey who are Deaf and hard of hearing. The Vermont Coalition Against Sexual Assault and Deaf Vermonters are providing technical assistance to NJCBW on the model that Vermont is currently using.

Deaf Advocacy Meeting participants (L to R): Annmarie Buraczeki, Jane Shivas, Michelle Cline, Keri Darling, Chanti Waterhouse, Rose Williams and Kris Silvestry.

Safe and Together Training

On June 24th and 25th, NJCBW co-sponsored a two-day Safe and Together training in New Brunswick for DCP&P staff on Mapping Perpetrator Patterns onto Case Practice and Mapping Survivors Protective Capacity. Safe and Together is a perpetrator pattern, child centered, survivor strength-based approach to the intersection of domestic violence and child maltreatment, developed by David Mandel and Associates LLC. For more information please visit www.endingviolence.com.

Kristen Selleck and Jane Shivas at the Safe and Together training for DV and DCP&P staff on June 24th and 25th.
**JULY MEETINGS**

- **DV Fatality/Near-Fatality Review Board**  
  Tuesday, 7/15 • 10:00am – 4:00pm

- **Executive Directors/Membership**  
  Thursday, 7/17 • 10:30am – 12:30pm

- **Board of Trustees**  
  Thursday, 7/17 • 1:00pm – 3:00pm

- **Shelter Coordinators**  
  Friday, 7/18 • 10:00am – 1:00pm

- **Human Trafficking Task Force**  
  Wednesday, 7/23 • 10:00am – 3:30pm

- **Anti-Racism Change Team**  
  Monday, 7/28 • 10:00am – 1:00pm

- **Deaf Advocacy Meeting**  
  Wednesday, 7/30 • 10:00am – 1:00pm

- **LGBT Task Force**  
  No July meeting scheduled

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**INSTITUTE TRAININGS**  
**Summer 2014**

Please be advised that we are unable to process online payments for training registrations at this time. You may [click here](#) for the Registration Form and instructions on submitting payment. We apologize for any inconvenience. Thank you!

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**July 24, 2014 • 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM**

**Life after Trauma: Helping Our Clients to Heal**

Robbin Loonan, MA, DVS, LPC

This workshop is designed for professionals seeking to better understand PTSD and the effects of psychological trauma on our clients, as well as how to help them to heal. We will explore the best practices in trauma treatment, focusing on creative interventions such as art and play therapy, journaling, relaxation, and guided imagery. Teaching methods include dyadic and discussion, video clips, and experiential activities.

**5 DVS Credits: Intervention**

$15 Program Staff · $50 Non-Program Staff

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**August 6, 2014 • 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM**

**History & Social Policies behind Child Custody Laws**

Leslie Malkin, B.A., J.D.

The idea of one parent getting custody over another is a thoroughly modern concept. Throughout history, fathers always had possession of their children and mothers had NO rights. It’s only been in the last 100 years that society even considered a mother having lawful custody of her children and addressed the “best interests of the child.” What are the origins of “fathers’ rights”, why did mothers begin to get custody, and where do custody laws stand today? What do federal laws say regarding custody? How do domestic violence, mental health, disabilities, substance abuse, and other social issues factor into custody decisions?

This training will take a whirlwind tour through ancient law on possession and protection of children, delve in the Middles Ages and early colonial history, and end up in current America.

**5 DVS Credits: Gender Issues and Empowerment**

$15 Program Staff · $50 Non-Program Staff

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**August 13, 2014 • 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM**

**Hidden Hurt: Male Survivors of DV & Child Abuse**

Robbin Loonan, MA, DVS, LPC

Male survivors face some unique challenges including feeling excluded from valuable support services and the survivor community at large. The research indicates men are less likely to identify abuse, to report abuse, and to reach out for help than their female counterparts. This workshop will provide a greater understanding of male victims and survivors and the unique challenges they face. We will explore assessment and treatment practices as well as how to provide effective outreach to this community.

**5 DVS Credits: Diversity**

$15 Program Staff · $50 Non-Program Staff

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