2019 Partnering for a Future Without Violence Conference

DoubleTree by Hilton, Manchester Downtown

September 4-5, 2019

Sponsored by:

New Hampshire Attorney General’s Office of Victim/Witness Assistance
New Hampshire Attorney General’s Task Force on Child Abuse and Neglect
Conference Location

The conference is being held at the DoubleTree by Hilton, Manchester Downtown. It is located at 700 Elm Street, Manchester, NH 03101. Directions can be accessed here: https://doubletree3.hilton.com/en/hotels/new-hampshire/doubletree-by-hilton-manchester-downtown-MHTMNDT/maps-directions/index.html

Parking

In addition to on street and other public parking lots around the venue, there is a parking garage attached to the hotel that will offer a conference rate of $6 for the day. In order to receive this discounted rate, you will need to have your parking ticket validated each day at the conference registration desk. If you fail to get your ticket validated the parking fee will be $14 a day.

Overnight Accommodations

The DoubleTree by Hilton offers a variety of rooms and suites that can accommodate from 1-4 people. Conference attendees can make reservations by calling 603-625-1000 and asking for the “Attorney General’s Conference Rate”. The room rate is $110 for Single or Double Occupancy, $120 for Triple Occupancy and $130 for Quadruple Occupancy (non-smoking) room, plus 9% New Hampshire meals and room tax. Payments made with a government issued credit card or check will be exempt from the 9% meals and room tax. In order to secure reservations, a credit card must be provided. Reservations must be made by August 20, 2019. After this date, reservations will be accepted on a space and rate available basis only.
Registration

Registration is first come, first serve and limited to 500 attendees. If the conference reaches capacity, a wait list will be created.

The priority of this conference is to provide training to those people employed by or who volunteer with government agencies, service providers, educational institutions or nonprofits, in the fields of law enforcement, prosecution, social work, medicine and advocacy and who work directly with victims of crimes. In the event the conference reaches capacity, the management of the conference reserves the right to refuse or rescind registration of any individual who does not meet these criteria in order to accommodate professionals from the above listed categories.

Registration Fee
The registration fee is $85.00 and includes for both days: coffee during morning registration, lunch, and an afternoon break. Note: No federal funding was used to purchase any food or beverage provided during this conference. Payment is required prior to conference in order to confirm your attendance. You will receive an email confirming your submission upon completion of the registration form. However, attendance is not confirmed until your registration fee is received.

There are no scholarships available for this conference.

Cancellations
All food, beverage and conference materials are prepared based on the number of confirmed registrations. Therefore, if you need to cancel your registration after August 15, you will not receive a refund unless we are able to fill your spot with someone else. You may elect to transfer your registration by sending someone from your organization in your place, but that person must attend the workshops you registered for. In order to transfer a registration to someone else, please email ovwa@doj.nh.gov with the name of the person who can no longer attend, along with the name and email address of the person taking their spot.

If you are unable to transfer your registration to someone else from your organization, the Attorney General’s Office will try to fill it with someone from the wait list (if there is one).

Payment
Cash and check are the only forms of payment allowed at this time. We are unable to accept credit card payments. Make checks payable to “Treasurer, State of New Hampshire” and mail to:

Attorney General’s Office
Office of Victim/Witness Assistance
33 Capitol Street
Concord, NH 03301
RE: Conference Payment
Registration Process

In order to register for conference, you must have a profile in the State of NH Online Forms system. (If you registered for the 2018 conference, you have a profile).

Instructions:

1. Click the registration link below to gain access to the system (State of NH Online Forms).

2. **IF YOU HAVE PREVIOUSLY CREATED AN ACCOUNT** in this system with a user name and password, click “Begin Form Entry”, sign in, click “OK” and begin form entry. (See step 4)
   - **Note:** If it has been a while since you signed in, you will need to re-set your password.

3. **IF YOU HAVE NOT SET UP AN ACCOUNT YET**, follow these instructions to set up your account first:
   - Click “Begin Form Entry”, then click “Register”.
   - Fill in the fields to create user name and password. **Note:** SAVE your password in a safe place.
   - You will automatically receive an email letting you know your account has been set up.
   - Click the link in that email to verify your request.
   - A message saying your account has been verified will open.
   - Go back to the registration brochure, click on the original link and begin the form entry for conference registration. **Be sure to hit “OK” and not “register” when you sign in.**

4. Fill in each of the fields within the registration form.
   - Professional Categories – Federal grant funding used to support this conference requires that we report the number of attendees by profession. Choose the category that best describes your profession. **Read all the options and descriptions listed CAREFULLY before you choose, as some are very similar.**
   - Splitting registration – If you are splitting registration with another person, fill in the workshops you are attending, and enter 0 for the workshops the other person will be attending. There is a field to enter the name of the person you are splitting registration with. **Each person is responsible for registering himself or herself.**

5. Upon submission of your registration form, you will receive an email from NH Online Forms immediately stating, “Your 2019 Partnering for a Future Without Violence Conference Registration form has been received”.

6. After submitting your form, click the “Pay By Mail” button, download your payment voucher, and then “print” to print your invoice for payment.
   - **Upon receipt of payment, you will receive an email notifying you that your registration is complete and confirmation to attend the conference.**

Registration Link: [https://onlineforms.nh.gov/?FormTag=2019conference](https://onlineforms.nh.gov/?FormTag=2019conference)

**IMPORTANT REMINDER:** The Attorney General’s Office will not consider your registration complete until payment is received. Registration and payment deadline is August 15th or when the capacity of 500 attendees is met.
Schedule: Wednesday, 9/4/19 (morning)

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| 9:00am – 9:15am | Welcome and Opening Remarks
Lynda Ruel         |
| 9:15am – 9:30am | Sandra Matheson Award Presentation
Lynda Ruel         |
| 9:30am – 10:15am| Keynote Address: MythBusters: Human Trafficking Edition,
Rebekah Charleston and Dr. Christopher Wilson
This short talk will introduce participants to the realities of human trafficking and the importance of understanding how the trauma of being trafficked affects the brain. |
| 10:15am – 10:30am| Break                                                                      |

Session 1 Seminars

10:30am – 12:00pm

Seminar 1: The Myths and Realities of ID Change: Survivor Privacy Protection in Our Data Driven Digital Age, Valenda Applegarth

Seminar 2: Jury Selection in Adult Victim Sexual Assault Cases, Jennifer Becker

Seminar 3: Sex Offenders: What Judges, Lawyers, and Child Advocates Should Know, Cory Jewell Jensen

Seminar 4: Ways to Avoid Having Your Child Pornography Case Dismissed: Best Practices for Investigations and Warrants, Georgiana Konesky and Nicole Thorspecken *Open to sworn law enforcement and prosecutors only

Seminar 5: When Coercion Feels Like Choice: Part 1, Rebekah Charleston and Dr. Christopher Wilson

Seminar 6: Vicarious Trauma and Building Resiliency, Michele Mullen

12:00pm – 1:00pm

Lunch

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**Seminar 8**: Raped or “Seduced”: How Language Helps Shape Our Response to Sexual Assault, *Jennifer Becker*  
**Seminar 9**: Selection, Engagement and Seduction of Children and Adults by Child Molesters, *Cory Jewell Jensen*  
**Seminar 10**: Expanding the Adverse Childhood Experiences Model – Social Conditions and Historical Traumas, *Linda Douglas*  
**Seminar 11**: When Coercion Feels Like Choice: Part 2, *Rebekah Charleston and Dr. Christopher Wilson*  
**Seminar 12**: Intersection of Stalking and Sexual and Domestic Violence, *Jennifer Landhuis and Mark Kurkowski*  |
| 2:30pm – 2:45pm | **Break**                                                                                                                                 |
| **Session 3 Seminars** |                                                                                                                                               |
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**Seminar 14**: New Hampshire’s Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit, *Janet Carroll*  
**Seminar 15**: What Sex Offenders Can Teach Us about Interviewing, *Cory Jewell Jensen* *Open to sworn law enforcement and prosecutors only*  
**Seminar 16**: Prosecution and Advocacy: One Hand Washes the Other, *Jason Moore and Karinne Brobst*  
**Seminar 17**: Have you Ever Experienced That Sinking Feeling When Media Start Asking Questions About Your Case?, *Joseph Cherniske, Catherine Shackford and Kate Spiner*  
**Seminar 18**: Enhancing Victim Safety in a Digital World, *Jennifer Landhuis and Mark Kurkowski*  |
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Session 6 Seminars

1:15pm – 2:45pm

Seminar 31: Case Study: Stalking and Cyber-Stalking, Daniel Hodges and Robert Powers

Seminar 32: Investigating PREA Incidents Within a Correctional Facility, Marc Marchand

Seminar 33: Trauma...Yet Hopeful, Kelly Smith

Seminar 34: When Predators Take Flight: Everything You’ve Ever Wanted to Know About Sexual Abuse Can be Learned Aboard a Commercial Aircraft, Scott Hampton

Seminar 35: The Role of the Prosecutor, Geoffrey Ward

**This seminar will run 2 hours, ending at 3:15pm**

Seminar 36: Understanding and Applying Privacy Laws to Appropriately Enhance Collaboration, Jeff Nolan

2:45pm – 4:30pm

Resource/Networking Fair

NEW this year...

Our Resource/Networking Fair!

After the workshops have concluded on Thursday, come to the Armory for an opportunity to learn about statewide resources that can enhance your work. Grab a tasty treat and take the time to network with other conference attendees!

Exhibitors include:

- CASA New Hampshire
- NH Victims’ Compensation Program
- Granite State Children’s Alliance
- Confidentiality Program
- ACERT
- Prevention Innovations Research Center
- uSafeUS
- Strafford County Family Justice Center
- New Hampshire Coalition Against Domestic & Sexual Violence
- New Hampshire Bar Association
- APPRIS SAFETY
- VINE
- New Hampshire Human Trafficking Collaborative Task Force
As we have for the past several years, presenters have been asked to identify suggested target audience and level of training for each of the seminars. Unless a seminar is indicated as “Open to Sworn Law Enforcement Only” or “Open to Sworn Law Enforcement and Prosecutors Only”, seminars are open to all disciplines.

**WEDNESDAY AM WORKSHOPS**

**Session 1 (10:30am – 12:00pm)**

**#1 The Myths and Realities of ID Change: Survivor Privacy Protection in Our Data Driven Digital Age – Valenda Applegarth**

Many survivors of domestic and sexual violence are encouraged to change their identities in an effort to avoid their location and other information from being released into the public domain, thus making it available to a perpetrator. This presentation will demonstrate the points where survivors face challenges in obtaining an identity change and keeping it confidential and the points where the old and new identities may be connected. Additionally, we will cover alternatives to ID change and what steps all survivors should take to protect future privacy will be covered.

**Target Audience: Advocates, Attorneys, CACs, Child Protection, Education, Judicial, Law Enforcement, Medical, Mental Health**

**Level: Basic**

*CEUs: Mental Health

**#2 Jury Selection in Adult Victim Sexual Assault Cases – Jennifer Becker**

Research has shown that jurors in sexual assault cases assess the evidence presented through the lens of commonly held misconceptions and myths about rape, rape victims and rapists. Jurors, as members of our communities, embrace stereotypes about “real rape”, including expectations about gender roles and “appropriate” behavior by victims before, during, and after a reported sexual assault. This presentation explores the research on how juries decide sexual assault cases, public opinion data about sexual assault, and considerations for conducting effective voir dire to ensure a fair jury, protect juror privacy, and minimize jurors’ stress and trauma.

**Target Audience: Judicial, Prosecutors**

**Level: Intermediate**

*CEUs: Mental Health

**#3 Sex Offenders: What Judges, Lawyers, Investigators and Child/Victim Advocates Should Know – Cory Jewell Jensen**

Sex crime investigators, criminal justice professionals, probation officers, child welfare workers and child advocates should be familiar with the various theories about the etiology of pedophilia and development of pro-offending attitudes, plus the more typical patterns of sexual offending committed by both juvenile and adult sex offenders. This presentation will highlight (via videotaped interviews with various sex offenders) some of the more common pathways to developing deviant sexual interests and criminal sexual behavior patterns. In addition, the presenter will review various studies that examined the number of detected vs. undetected offenses occurring in our communities, the true rate of false allegations and the average degree of “cross-over” or “crime switching” behavior sex offenders engage in that go undetected. The misconceptions about “re-offense” and “recidivism” rates and the expected outcomes for sex offender treatment will also be reviewed.

**Target Audience: Advocates, Attorneys, CACs, Child Protection, Corrections, Judicial, Law Enforcement, Medical, Mental Health, Prosecutors**

**Level: Intermediate**

*CEUs: Mental Health

**#4 Ways to Avoid Having Your Child Pornography Case Dismissed: Best Practices for Investigations and Warrants – Georgiana Konesky, JD and Nicole Thorspecken, JD**

This workshop will provide an overview of state and federal child pornography laws, a discussion of common issues in child pornography investigations, tips for drafting child pornography-related search warrants, and a review of new developments in the law and cases of interest.

**Target Audience: Law Enforcement and Prosecutors ONLY**
**#5 When Coercion Feels Like Choice: Part 1 – Rebekah Charleston and Dr. Christopher Wilson**

This session will use Rebekah’s life story as a lens from which to examine the impact of trafficking on the brain of survivors. Dr. Wilson will cover the impact of attachment circuitry, the development of habitual behavior, and the sensitization of the defense circuitry, with practical examples from Rebekah.

**Target Audience:** Advocates, CACs, Child Protection, Judicial, Law Enforcement, Mental Health, Prosecutors  
*Level:* Intermediate  
*CEUs:* Mental Health

**#6 Vicarious Trauma and Building Resiliency – Michele Mullen**

This workshop addresses the emotional, mental, and physical toll that is often imposed on those in helping professions. Professionals will evaluate their resilience and learn strategies to combat compassion fatigue and burnout.

**Target Audience:** Advocates, Attorneys, CACs, Child Protection, Corrections, Education, Judicial, Law Enforcement, Medical, Mental Health, Prosecutors  
*Level:* Basic/Intermediate  
*CEUs:* Mental Health

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**#7 Interstate Custody Issues: What Service Providers Must Know When a Survivor Plans to Move out of State with Minor Children – Valenda Applegarth**

Survivors of domestic violence often flee with minor children. Crossing state lines with a minor child can have serious consequences and threaten the survivor’s and child’s future safety. A few basic questions posed by a service provider can aid a survivor in making informed decisions about leaving the state with children.

**Target Audience:** Advocates, Attorneys, CACs, Child Protection, Education, Law Enforcement, Medical, Mental Health, Prosecutors  
*Level:* Basic/Intermediate  
*CEUs:* Mental Health

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**#8 Raped or “Seduced”? How Language Helps Shape Our Response to Sexual Violence – Jennifer Becker**

The language we use to discuss sexual violence helps shape our response to it. Legal language is particularly influential in defining how we talk about sexual violence and in creating or reinforcing societal attitudes on the issue. This presentation explores the research on the language we use to describe sexual violence, why that language is important, and how the use of accurate language by judges, attorneys, law enforcement, SANEs, and advocates has a far-reaching impact on societal understanding of and responses to sexual violence.

**Target Audience:** Advocates, CACs, Child Protection, Corrections, Education, Judicial, Law Enforcement, Medical, Mental Health, Prosecutors  
*Level:* Basic  
*CEUs:* Mental Health

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**#9 Selection, Engagement and Seduction of Children and Adults by Child Molesters – Cory Jewell Jensen**

Participants will examine (via film clips of interviews with various types of sex offenders) some of the specific strategies offenders report using to target, seduce and exploit children and adults. Information was collected from approximately 1,600 sex offenders who were involved in long-term, court mandated sex offender treatment. Topics include offender descriptions of “grooming” tactics (how and why they: targeted certain children, families and youth serving agencies, seduced child victims and adult caretakers, and inhibited disclosure, detection and reporting). A variety of video clips, research studies and anecdotal interview data from numerous sex offenders will be utilized to illustrate each stage of grooming behavior.

**Target Audience:** Advocates, Attorneys, CACs, Child Protection, Corrections, Education, Judicial, Law Enforcement, Medical, Mental Health, Prosecutors  
*Level:* Intermediate  
*CEUs:* Mental Health

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**#10 Expanding the Adverse Childhood Experiences Model – Social Conditions and Historical Traumas – Linda Douglas**

The original Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) study addressed interpersonal trauma that can occur within the child’s home in the first eighteen years of life. This workshop will take a look at the expanded ACE model that takes into consideration intergenerational trauma,
social conditions, and historical trauma and the impact that these can have on resiliency and the health of society.

**Target Audience:** Advocates, Attorneys, CACs, Corrections, Education, Judicial, Law Enforcement, Medical, Mental Health, Prosecutors  
**Level:** Intermediate/Advanced  
*CEUs: Mental Health

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### #11 When Coercion Feels Like Choice: Part 2 – Rebekah Charleston and Dr. Christopher Wilson

This session will follow up on Part 1 by examining how victims of trafficking can be led to believe they are making choices when, in reality, they are being coerced into behavior, as well as the challenges of survival if a victim is able to escape their trafficker. Concepts covered will include the impact of trauma on the prefrontal cortex, both practical and brain based answers to the question “why didn’t you just leave,” and the long-term impact of trauma on the brain, again using real life examples.

**Target Audience:** Advocates, CACs, Child Protection, Judicial, Law Enforcement, Mental Health, Prosecutors  
**Level:** Intermediate  
*CEUs: Mental Health

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### #12 Intersection of Stalking and Sexual and Domestic Violence – Jennifer Landhuis, MS and Mark Kurkowski

Stalking is a prevalent, dangerous and often misunderstood crime. This session explores the dynamics of stalking, focusing on the highly contextual nature of the crime by discussing common tactics used by perpetrators, stalking’s co-occurrence with domestic and sexual violence as well as strategies to effectively identify and respond to stalking.

**Target Audience:** Advocates, Attorneys, CACs, Child Protection, Judicial, Law Enforcement, Mental Health, Prosecutors  
**Level:** Basic/Intermediate  
*CEUs: Mental Health

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### #13 Primary Physical Aggressor – Chief Todd Faulkner

This workshop will provide the necessary information on how to make informed decisions on determining the primary physical aggressor. We all know that victims of domestic violence often do not tell us the entire story or the historical abuse they have received. This workshop will provide information on how to look for what they are not telling you and to look for the physical evidence that can help you put the puzzle together.

**Target Audience:** Advocates, CACs, Child Protection, Judicial, Law Enforcement, Medical, Mental Health, Prosecutors  
**Level:** Basic  
*CEUs: Mental Health

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### Session 3 (2:45pm – 4:15pm)

### #14 New Hampshire’s Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit – Janet Carroll, RN, CEN, SANE-A, SANE-P

Have you ever wondered about the sexual assault “kit”? What it is? What is in it? What a person might experience during the medical forensic evaluation at the hospital? If so, this presentation is for you. The presenter hopes to “debunk” your misconceptions while explaining the process, contents of the “kit” and proper evidence collection. This will be a thorough review of the medical forensic examination with evidence collection, hands-on time with a kit, review of long and short term health consequences associated with sexual assault, services that are offered during/after a person experiences sexual assault and much more. Remember to bring questions that you have otherwise been afraid to ask!

**Target Audience:** Advocates, Attorneys, CACs, Child Protection, Corrections, Education, Judicial, Law Enforcement, Medical, Mental Health, Prosecutors  
**Level:** Basic  
*CEUs: Mental Health

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### #15 What Sex Offenders Can Teach Us About Interviewing – Cory Jewell Jensen

This presentation examines the relationship between confession rates and sex offender characteristics (ie., offender age, relationship to victim, personality type, offense history and prior experience with the criminal justice system). In addition, several studies that examined the effectiveness of various interviewer styles (investigator demeanor and approach) will be reviewed. Lastly, the presenter will provide anecdotal comments (from 121 admitting adult male sex offenders) related to the thoughts and concerns they had while they were initially being interviewed by detectives. Comments focus on the reason they declined to be interviewed, lied about their sexual offending, or confessed. Video clips will also be used to illustrate some of the specific
skills used by police to enable offenders to confess along with recommendations for specific interview comments/questions from 26 veterans.

**Target Audience:** Law Enforcement and Prosecutors ONLY  
**Level:** Intermediate

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**#16 Prosecution and Advocacy: One Hand Washes the Other – Jason Moore, Esq. and Karinne Brobst, Esq.**
A discussion of the importance of the working relationship between prosecutors and advocates and the advocate’s role as both support for victims of violent crimes and an intermediary between the victim and the justice system. This presentation is based off submissions from multiple experienced advocates who responded to the question “What do you know now that you wish you knew when you first started?”

**Target Audience:** Advocates  
**Level:** Basic

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**#17 Have You Ever Experienced That Sinking Feeling When Media Start Asking Questions About Your Case? – Joseph Cherniske, JD, Catherine Shackford, BS, and Kate Spiner**
This panel discussion will surround media involvement in cases of domestic violence, sexual assault and the various forms of child abuse. Discussions will include how to draft a trauma informed press release and prepare for a live interview that provides the information that media outlets are seeking while remaining focused on protecting the rights and safety of victims and their families. This seminar will also address how much is too much by helping investigators and prosecutors understand how information contained in warrant affidavits, complaints, and indictments can either protect victim identities or further traumatize them when released to the media and broader community. Many professionals do not enjoy contact with media outlets, but with proper tools and techniques at hand, the process may be less stressful.

**Target Audience:** Advocates, Attorneys, Corrections, Law Enforcement, Prosecutors  
**Level:** Basic/Intermediate  
*CEUs: Mental Health

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**#19 There’s An App for That: Cell Phone Technologies Used to Stalk – Jennifer Landhuis, MS and Mark Kurkowski**
Stalkers are creative criminals who use – and misuse – a variety of technologies to locate, surveil and monitor their victims. This session will address common cell phone technologies utilized by stalkers, discuss evidence preservation concerns as well as identify effective strategies to increase offender accountability and victim safety.

**Target Audience:** Advocates, Attorneys, Corrections, Education, Judicial, Law Enforcement, Mental Health, Prosecutors  
**Level:** Basic/Intermediate  
*CEUs: Mental Health

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**#20 Sexual Victimization in Corrections – Sarah Struven**
Topics will cover types of victimization, the dynamics of victims in a custodial setting, offenders at high risk, managing trauma response in a custodial setting, and the need for community support systems and the vital role they play in the response to a sexual assault inside a correctional facility.

**Target Audience:** Advocates, Attorneys, CACs, Child Protection, Education, Law Enforcement, Medical, Mental Health, Prosecutors  
**Level:** Basic/Intermediate  
*CEUs: Mental Health

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#21 The Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Boys and Adolescent Males – Steven Procopio, ACSW, LICSW
This presentation will address the issues related to the commercial sexual exploitation of males that include risk factors, adverse childhood experiences, and behavioral indicators that engage males into the “Life”.

Target Audience: Advocates, Attorneys, CACs, Child Protection, Corrections, Education, Judicial, Law Enforcement, Medical, Mental Health, Prosecutors
Level: Basic/Intermediate/Advanced
*CEUs: Mental Health

#22 The Art of Interrogation: A 360 Degree Perspective (Part 1) – Detective Scott Sayers and Detective Eddie Ibarra
The Art of Interrogation: A 360 Perspective is a joint project between the Dallas Police Department and the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center. This presentation uses actual interrogation footage of convicted murderers, which provides a unique look at the interrogation and helps instruct the audience on techniques used, and what works, during interrogation and investigation. It also includes video interviews of the murderers from prison, in which they discuss what techniques they felt caused them to confess.

Target Audience: Law Enforcement and Prosecutors ONLY
Level: Basic

#23 Speaking the Language of Alzheimer’s: Successful Communication for Working With This Population – Melissa Grenier, LCSW, CDP
This workshop will provide participants with an understanding of the impact of brain changes on a person’s communication skills. Information acquired will help prepare attendees for changes they may need to make in their approach when communicating with, or interviewing, persons with memory loss. This workshop will also review practical tips for addressing typical dynamics that can occur within an interview setting.

Target Audience: Advocates, Attorneys, Corrections, Education, Judicial, Law Enforcement, Medical, Mental Health, Prosecutors
Level: Basic/Intermediate
*CEUs: Mental Health

#24 Self-Care is a Social Justice Issue – Linda Douglas
Have you ever felt that you were too busy to take care of yourself? Do you often feel that there are so many issues in the world demanding your attention that you cannot possible take time to read a book, go for a walk, or take time off from reading the news of the day? We will look at how self-care is actually a way to take care of others and be more attentive to those issues that require our dedication. This workshop will speak to why self-care is not only an ethical imperative, but it can actually help others.

Target Audience: Advocates, Attorneys, CACs, Child Protection, Corrections, Education, Judicial, Law Enforcement, Medical, Mental Health, Prosecutors
Level: Basic
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#25 Hidden in Plain Sight: Big Data and Survivor Privacy – Valennda Applegarth, JD
Survivors who relocate for personal safety are most concerned about location and other personal privacy. Perpetrators threaten the ability to perform “background checks” to track down survivors who flee. This workshop will demonstrate how popular internet people search engines gather personal information and other sources of privacy breaches. Most importantly, we will demonstrate how to prevent dissemination of personal information post-relocation and how to remove information from the WWW.

Target Audience: Advocates, Attorneys, CACs, Child Protection, Education, Law Enforcement, Medical, Mental Health, Prosecutors
Level: Basic/Intermediate
*CEUs: Mental Health

#26 Expanding Access for Victims to Victim Services in the Digital Age – Jarrod Carhahan
Service providers should embrace the digital age, making their services more accessible to victims. Learn how Enhanced VINE connects victims to service providers using web, mobile, and interactive voice technology through a national network. As a result of attending this session, participants will be able to outline VINE’s enhanced features, such as the interactive voice response and the development of its proprietary service provider directory. Attendees will also be able to demonstrate how to search for offenders, register for custody status notifications, and utilize Enhanced VINE’s “Guide Me” feature, an
interactive tool that leads victims to the appropriate national and local service providers.

**Target Audience:** Advocates, Child Protection, Corrections, Law Enforcement, Prosecutors  
**Level:** Basic

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#27 Big Boys Don’t Cry – Steven Procopio, ACSW, LICSW  
This presentation will discuss and inform participants on the childhood sexual abuse of males and its life-long psycho/social implications.

**Target Audience:** Advocates, Attorneys, CACs, Child Protection, Corrections, Education, Judicial, Law Enforcement, Medical, Mental Health, Prosecutors  
**Level:** Basic/Intermediate/Advanced  
*CEUs: Mental Health

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#28 The Art of Interrogation: A 360 Degree Perspective (Part 2) – Detective Scott Sayers and Detective Eddie Ibarra  
This presentation is a continuation of seminar #22.

**Target Audience:** Law Enforcement and Prosecutors ONLY  
**Level:** Basic

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#29 Facebook 101 for Law Enforcement – Emily Vacher, JD, MPS, MS  
In this workshop, the presenter will discuss how Facebook works with industry partners and law enforcement to combat crimes against children. Discussed during this presentation will be Facebook “basics”, the latest safety and privacy controls available to prevent and reduce risks for users of the site, safety initiatives designed to combat child exploitation, and a detailed review of Facebook’s on-line records request system for law enforcement use.

**Target Audience:** Law Enforcement and Prosecutors ONLY  
**Level:** Basic

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#30 Effectively Addressing Campus Sexual Assault in Light of New Title IX Regulations – Jeff Nolan, JD  
This workshop will briefly summarize the ways in which the U.S. Department of Education’s campus sexual harassment and sexual assault-related priorities have shifted over the last decade, as reflected in withdrawn guidance, interim guidance, and dramatically different new Title IX regulations. It will emphasize the decisions that colleges and universities will have to make in adapting to the Department’s current priorities, and it will discuss how educational institutions, law enforcement, and other community partners can work together effectively to promote appropriate responses to sexual harassment and assault in the new regulatory environment.

**Target Audience:** Advocates, Attorneys, Education, Judicial, Law Enforcement, Mental Health, Prosecutors  
**Level:** Intermediate  
*CEUs: Mental Health

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**THURSDAY PM WORKSHOPS**

**Session 6 (1:15pm – 2:45pm)**

#31 Case Study: Stalking and Cyber-Stalking – Detective Daniel Hodges and Sergeant Robert Powers  
This workshop is a case study based on a Nashua Police Department stalking investigation and arrest occurring in 2011-2012, but continuing for the victim to the present day and beyond. This incident involved both physical, in-person stalking as well as cyber stalking. The case study will detail the incident beginning with the relationship between the victim and suspect through the conclusion of court proceedings. The case study will also detail the fact that conclusion of the court proceedings does not always mean closure for the victim. The victim of the incident will assist the presenters to take attendees through the traditional and technical areas of the investigation process from the points of view of investigators and the victim.

**Target Audience:** Advocates, Judicial, Law Enforcement, Prosecutors  
**Level:** Basic

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#32 Investigating PREA Incidents Within a Correctional Facility – Marc Marchand  
In this workshop we will discuss the unique challenges of investigating Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) related incidents. We will talk about how allegations are brought to light, managing victims and perpetrators, medical requirements, evidence preservation, advocacy role, interviewing struggles, and facility culture. These topics will be subjects of open conversation. A correctional facility and its occupants present its own unique challenges when investigating any criminal
activity let alone sexual assaults. This workshop will give you an investigator’s perspective on working in a confinement setting while managing some of the federal standards.

**Target Audience:** Advocates, Corrections, Law Enforcement  
**Level:** Intermediate

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### #33 Trauma... Yet Hopeful – Kelly Smith

This workshop will present a framework for looking at trauma, the impact upon a child/youth and hope for healing. Children and adolescents do not have the emotional language and/or permission to really process trauma that they have experienced. Instead, what we see is unhealthy yet coping behaviors to deal with all that they have experienced. This workshop will present a framework that is more helpful then blame and shame in working with young people who have experienced trauma.

**Target Audience:** Advocates, CACs, Child Protection, Education, Medical, Mental Health  
**Level:** Basic/Intermediate  
*CEUs: Mental Health

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### #34 When Predators Take Flight: Everything You’ve Ever Wanted to Know About Sexual Abuse Can be Learned Aboard a Commercial Aircraft – Scott Hampton, PsyD

Due to the risks of air travel (e.g., pilot error, mechanical failures, extreme weather, or terrorist attacks, etc.) the top priority of the airline industry is passenger safety. It is ironic, then, that while airline disasters are extremely rare, the sexual safety of its passengers is far from assured and rarely even considered. Instead, the nature of commercial air travel continues to create a paradise for potential perpetrators and a nightmare for potential victims. The purpose of this workshop is to take a (literally) birds-eye view of sexual assault by examining actual cases that occurred at 30,000 feet. This will lead us into a discussion of a wide range of topics including: offender tactics, barriers to reporting, victim blame, drug-facilitated assaults, the role of first responders and other members of a sexual assault response team, bystander intervention, jurisdictional ambiguities, cross-cultural variations, the intersection with human trafficking, investigative components, and prevention strategies. After attending this workshop, neither your experience of the “Friendly Skies” nor your understanding of sexual assault, might be quite the same as they were before.

**Target Audience:** Advocates, Attorneys, CACs, Child Protection, Corrections, Education, Judicial, Law Enforcement, Medical, Mental Health, Prosecutors  
**Level:** Intermediate  
*CEUs: Mental Health

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### #35 The Role of the Prosecutor – Geoffrey Ward, JD

A prosecutor “is the representative not of an ordinary party to a controversy, but of a sovereignty whose obligation to govern impartially is as compelling as its obligation to govern at all; and whose interest, therefore, in a criminal prosecution is not that it shall win a case, but that justice shall be done. As such, he is in a peculiar and very definite sense the servant of the law, the twofold aim of which is that guilt shall not escape or innocence suffer” Berger v. U.S. 295, U.S. 78, 88 (1935). This workshop will explore the unique role of the prosecutor in our system of justice, the ethical rules that guide prosecutors in their pursuit of justice, as well as the case law governing proper (and improper) argument by prosecutors.

**Target Audience:** Advocates, Attorneys, Judicial, Law Enforcement, Prosecutors  
**Level:** Basic/Intermediate  
*This seminar will run for 2 hours

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### #36 Understanding and Applying Privacy Laws to Appropriately Enhance Collaboration – Jeff Nolan, JD

This workshop will summarize the range of education, medical records privacy, advocate privacy and counselor-patient privilege laws that are often implicated when educational institutions, law enforcement, advocates and counselors work to address issues related to sexual assault, intimate partner violence and stalking, and suggest strategies for enhancing collaboration and appropriate information sharing within the bounds of those laws.

**Target Audience:** Advocates, Attorneys, Education, Judicial, Law Enforcement, Medical, Mental Health, Prosecutors  
**Level:** Intermediate  
*CEUs: Mental Health

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About our Keynotes

Rebekah Charleston, MA
Rebekah Charleston’s story is one that is unfortunately too common. At the age of 17, after running away from home, she found herself trapped in the world of human trafficking, as a victim. After ten years and no way to escape from multiple traffickers on her own, the federal authorities ultimately provided her a path to freedom and safety. Given a new lease on life, she has not shied away from her experiences; instead, she has used it as a source of inspiration and a way to educate others on the prevalent world of human trafficking in America. Through her work as a consultant with the National Justice Training Center and Executive Director of Valiant Hearts, Rebekah has dedicated her life to preventing others from having to experience what she did. In the years that have passed, Rebekah has won numerous awards for her work, including 2016’s Survivor Leader Award, has been featured by numerous news outlets such as Deadline Crimes and TEDx, received a master’s degree in criminal justice and has given birth to her loving son. Rebekah Charleston has a story to tell — a story of desperation, a story of hope, a story of triumph and a story of survival.

Christopher Wilson, PsyD
Dr. Chris Wilson is a licensed psychologist and internationally recognized speaker and trainer from Portland, Oregon. In January 2019, he started the organization Being Trauma Informed with a mission statement of making the science of trauma accessible. For the past sixteen years, he has worked with victims and perpetrators of crime, including for seven years with the Oregon Department of Corrections. He currently trains nationally and internationally on a variety of issues including the neurobiology of trauma in sexual assault/trafficking/domestic violence, vicarious trauma, and trauma informed interviewing, and testifies as an expert in both civil and criminal trials. He is also a guest faculty member at the US Army’s Military Police School, teaching criminal investigation agents on the neurobiology of trauma and victim experience.
About our Presenters

VALENDA APPLEGARTH, JD is a Senior Attorney at the Greater Boston Legal Services in Boston, Massachusetts and founder of the nation’s first Relocation Counseling Project. This model project, created in 1999, transformed victim services surrounding victim relocation and was a 2006 recipient of The Mary Byron Foundation “Celebrating Solutions Award” for innovative programming. In 2008, the original project was expanded to the current Relocation Counseling and Identity Protection Initiative, an Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) funded national technical assistance and training project in partnership with the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV). Ms. Applegarth has represented victims of sexual and domestic violence, stalking, and other gender-based violence for more than 25 years. She has trained others extensively on victim relocation, privacy, identity change, child custody jurisdiction and other related legal issues throughout the United States for the past 16 years.

JENNIFER BECKER is the Deputy Legal Director at Legal Momentum (LM) and Senior Attorney within LM’s National Judicial Education Program. Ms. Becker formerly served for seven years as a sex crimes and child abuse prosecutor for the Bronx County District Attorney’s Office in Bronx, New York. During that time, Ms. Becker investigated and prosecuted hundreds of sexual assaults. Previously, Ms. Becker oversaw gender equity compliance for the New York City Department of Education as Title IX Coordinator. Ms. Becker conducts trainings nationwide for judges, prosecutors, attorneys, and other SART members on issues related to the adjudication of sexual violence cases. Ms. Becker recently developed a national curriculum to assist victim advocates helping sexual assault victims who are navigating the criminal justice system or considering it, and identifying issues in which sexual assault victims would benefit from pro bono legal counsel.

KARINNE BROBST, ESQ received two BA’s in Psychology and Justice Studies from the University of New Hampshire, and a JD from the University of New Hampshire School of Law. After graduating she went to work for the Hillsborough County Attorney’s office as a Special Assistant County Attorney and then an Assistant County Attorney until 2015, when she accepted her current position as the prosecutor for the Milford Police Department.

JARROD CARNAHAN has been working with Appriss Safety since 2014, now serving as the Client Relationship Manager for the State of New Hampshire. Jarrod is New Hampshire’s partner working to expand the use and knowledge of the VINE Program and its resources for victims of crime across the State. Jarrod has a background in managing software programs and holds a BA degree from the University of Kentucky.

JANET CARROLL, RN, CEN, SANE-A, SANE-P has been a nurse for 20 years working as an Emergency Department Registered Nurse. She is currently the Director of the New Hampshire SANE Program at the New Hampshire Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence and the Clinical Coordinator of the Forensic Nursing Program at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center (DHMC). She holds National Board Certifications as a Certified Emergency Nurse (CEN), Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Adolescent/Adult (SANE-A) and Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner/Pediatric (SANE-P). As Clinical Coordinator of the Forensic Nursing Program at DHMC and Instructor for the New Hampshire SANE program since 2008, she has worked with a variety of medical systems to improve their response to survivors of sexual violence.

JOSEPH CHERNISKE, JD is an Assistant County Attorney with the Merrimack County Attorney’s Office. He has been employed with the Merrimack County Attorney’s Office since 2010 and is currently assigned to prosecute various felony level offenses, including crimes of sexual assault and domestic violence. He is a 2004 graduate of the University of Connecticut with a BA in psychology and criminal justice and a 2010 graduate of the University of New Hampshire Law School, earning a JD.

LINDA DOUGLAS, MED is the Trauma Informed Services Specialist for the New Hampshire Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence working to enhance the capacity of programs of the Coalition, and local communities, to address the complex needs of victims with responses to trauma. She has been providing training statewide and nationally for the past ten years.

CHIEF TODD FAULKNER has been a law enforcement officer for well over 20 years and is currently the Chief of Police for the Hillsdale Police Department. Chief Faulkner is a current member of the New Hampshire Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force assigned as a computer forensics examiner/investigator. He is a special deputy with the Cheshire County Sheriff’s Department and a US Customs and Immigration Title 19
Federal Task Force Officer. Chief Faulkner is recognized in state and federal court as a computer and mobile device forensic expert as well as an expert in the investigations of child physical and sexual abuse. He holds numerous computer forensic certifications and is a certified computer and mobile device forensic instructor. Chief Faulkner has forensically processed hundreds of devices, both in the lab setting, as well as “on-scene” and has trained hundreds of students, both nationally and internationally.

MELISSA GRENIER, LCSW graduated with her Bachelors of Social Work degree from Western New England College in Springfield, Massachusetts, and later obtained her Masters of Social Work degree from Springfield College. Ms. Grenier has worked in the areas of elder guardianship, home care, geriatric psychiatric care, and long-term care. She has worked for the Alzheimer's Association, Massachusetts/New Hampshire Chapter, for nearly eight years, and is currently the Regional Manager for the State of New Hampshire. Her role includes overseeing the operations of the Bedford, New Hampshire regional office, and providing the Alzheimer's Association's wide range of programs, services and trainings to those diagnosed with memory impairment, their loved ones and caregivers, and the public, across New Hampshire.

SCOTT HAMPTON, PSY.D has been working with batterers, sex offenders, victims, and children exposed to violence for 30 years. Currently, he is the Executive Director of Ending the Violence, a Dover, New Hampshire based organization that provides educational classes to perpetrators of domestic and sexual violence. He is also the Project Coordinator for Strafford County’s new Supervised Visitation and Exchange Center. His educational background includes a doctorate in clinical psychology with a specialty in family therapy and an added focus on substance abuse and other addictions issues. Dr. Hampton writes and speaks frequently on issues related to interpersonal violence. He is a past President of the National Supervised Visitation Network, and serves on the Domestic Violence Fatality Review Committee.

DETECTIVE DANIEL HODGES has been a member of the Nashua, New Hampshire Police Department since 2005. From 2012 – 2014 Detective Hodges was assigned to the Nashua Police Department’s Domestic Violence Unit as an investigator. During this time, he investigated numerous felony level domestic violence related offences. Currently, he is assigned to the department’s Computer Forensics Unit where he conducts forensic examinations of digital evidence. Detective Hodges is also assigned as a computer examiner for the New Hampshire Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force where he assists federal, state and local agencies in child exploitation investigations.

DETECTIVE EDUARDO IBARRA has been an officer with the Dallas Police Department for 28 years. The first ten years were spent in Patrol, then three years in Family Violence, and five years in Homicide. The past ten years have been spent in the Special Investigations Unit with focus on officer-involved shootings, death in custody, and officer assaulted and/or killed in the line of duty cases. Detective Ibarra is an instructor on Interview and Interrogation, a Licensed Polygraph Examiner and a guest instructor with the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers.

CORY JEWEL JENSEN, MS is currently the senior consultant/trainer for CBI Consulting. Ms. Jensen recently retired from a 35-year career of providing evaluation and treatment services to adult sex offenders and their families in Portland, Oregon. In addition to her clinical work, Ms. Jensen has provided training and/or consultation services to: The National Center for the Prosecution of Child Abuse, The National Child Advocacy Center, The National Children’s Alliance, The United States Navy, The National Crime Victims Association, The National Boy Scouts Foundation, The Mark McGwire Foundation for Children, United States Marshall’s Office, NYPD Special Victims Unit and a number of other law enforcement, child advocacy and faith based organizations. Ms. Jensen served as Executive Director for the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers (ATSA), chaired two of ATSA’s International Research and Treatment Conferences and served as President of Oregon’s Chapter of ATSA. She also chaired the Offender Management Committee attached to the Oregon Attorney General’s Sexual Assault Task Force, was an instructor for Portland State University’s Child Welfare Training Institute for nearly 20 years and has provided training for countless multi-disciplinary teams throughout the United States and Scandinavia. She has published a number of articles related to sex offender treatment, risk management and child abuse prevention, testified as an expert witness in local and federal courts and been a featured guest on radio talk shows and the Oprah Winfrey Show.

GEORGIANA KONESKY, JD joined the U.S. Attorney’s Office in January of 2015, and has primarily prosecuted drug trafficking and child exploitation offenses in the
Criminal Division. Attorney Konesky is a Project Safe Childhood Coordinator and Human Trafficking point of contact. She is also a “CHIP,” the computer hacking and intellectual property contact for the office. She enjoys coordinating the USAO summer internship program, serving on the attorney hiring committee, and representing the office on the New Hampshire Human Trafficking Collaborative Task Force. Attorney Konesky obtained her B.A. in psychology from Harvard College in 2007 and her J.D. from the University Of Virginia School of Law in 2012. After law school, Georgie joined the Boston office of Latham & Watkins LLP where she worked in the civil litigation group. From 2013-2014, she clerked for United States District Judge Roger W. Titus in the District of Maryland.

**DETECTIVE MARK KURKOWSKI** is a 25-year veteran of the St Louis Metropolitan Police Department (MO) and has twenty-one years of experience of investigating interpersonal violence and gender based crimes. He specifically focused on investigating incidents of domestic violence, staking, violations of orders of protections, sexual assault, and other sex crimes, while being assigned to the Domestic Abuse Response Team, the Grants to Encourage Arrests Program, and the St. Louis Regional Domestic Violence Prevention Team. As a consultant with the Stalking Resource Center, of the National Center for Victims of Crime and the Stalking Prevention, Awareness, and Resource Center of Aequitas, he has developed and facilitated trainings across the country to various police departments, advocacy groups, prosecutors, and judges. He is also a Department of Justice, Office for Victims of Crime Training and Technical Assistance Center Consultant. He is an adjunct trainer with the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center and created a Cyberstalking curriculum for them in 2010. Mr. Kurkowski served nine years on the Board of Director’s at a local shelter for abused women and their children.

**JENNIFER LANDHUIS, MS** is the Director of the Stalking Prevention, Awareness, and Resource Center (SPARC), an AEquitas initiative. Ms. Landhuis’ 22 years of experience as an advocate and educator contributes to her approach in directing the SPARC initiative. She is responsible for developing and disseminating resources, curricula, and training on stalking as well as enhancing communities’ coordinated responses to stalking.

**MARC MARCHAND** has 25 years’ experience in the corrections field to include working as a Corrections Officer, Corporal, Sergeant, Shift Supervisor, Training Coordinator, Investigator, and the Chief of Investigations Bureau for New Hampshire State Prison. During his career with New Hampshire State Prison, Mr. Marchand has been involved with investigations regarding inmate on inmate assaults, staff on inmate assaults, and law enforcement assaults on inmates. After retiring in 2017, Mr. Marchand is now employed as a sworn Merrimack County Sheriff’s Department Deputy assigned to the Merrimack County Department of Corrections as their investigator for all criminal matters. He has been investigating Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) related incidents for the last 12 years and has been through three separate PREA audits in two different agencies.

**JASON MOORE, JD** received two BA’s in English and History from Norwich University in 2011, and a JD from University of New Hampshire School of Law in 2014. After a (very) brief stint in the private sector, he accepted a position as an Assistant County Attorney for Coös County where he served until the beginning of 2018 when he accepted his current position as the prosecutor for the Town of Merrimack.

**MICHELE MULLEN, LCSW, MSW** is a Training Specialist with Northeast Regional Children’s Advocacy Center (NRCAC). Ms. Mullen provides training and technical assistance to developing and established Child Advocacy Centers (CACs) and multidisciplinary teams in Maine, Massachusetts and Rhode Island. She joined NRCAC in September 2014 after 17 years with the Norfolk District Attorney’s Office/children’s advocacy center in Massachusetts. Ms. Mullen began as a Victim Advocate before moving to the CAC Director role and was dedicated to the development of a fully accredited child advocacy center in 2010. She conducts regional training on Victim Advocacy, Vicarious Trauma/Building Resiliency in Child Abuse Organizations, Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children, and multidisciplinary team development.

**JEFFREY J NOLAN, JD** is the Chair of the Education Practice Group at Dinse, P.C. in Vermont. Attorney Nolan advises clients throughout the United States regarding situations that implicate Title IX, the Clery Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, FERPA, and other laws that apply in the higher education context. On a system-wide basis, he conducts compliance assessments, and helps clients develop policies, practices and training programs to minimize risk and enhance compliance with those laws. He also conducts independent investigations of sensitive campus and workplace issues, such as reports of alleged sexual misconduct, intimate partner violence or stalking, and
alleged sexual harassment and other workplace misconduct. In 2014, he worked with a team to develop a curriculum for the National Center for Campus Public Safety's trauma-informed sexual assault investigation and adjudication training program. In 2017, Attorney Nolan co-developed a Trauma-Informed Sexual Assault Investigation and Adjudication curriculum for the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services, and co-presented at many locations throughout Virginia in 2017 and 2018, and will continue to do so in 2019.

SERGEANT ROBERT POWERS has been a member of the Nashua Police Department since 2002. From 2010-2014 Sergeant Powers was assigned to the Nashua Police Department’s Youth Services Division as an investigator. During this time he investigated cases of all types involving juveniles including: homicide, physical and sexual abuse, neglect, and online exploitation. Sergeant Powers also worked as a computer forensic examiner during this time and developed the department’s Computer Forensics Unit. He is currently assigned to the department’s Criminal Investigation Division where he supervises the Computer Forensic Unit, Fraud Unit and Evidence Unit. He also works with the New Hampshire Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force supervising and investigating incidents involving children and technology.

STEVEN L PROCOPIO, ACSW, LICSW is a graduate of the University of Connecticut School of Social Work. Mr. Procopio is a trainer and consultant for males with complex trauma; his expertise is in the area of childhood sexual abuse, sexual assault and commercial sexual exploitation. He brings extensive experience in public health, with a focus on HIV/AIDS, homelessness and youth services. His experiences in youth services included work as an adolescent therapist, director of a youth shelter for runaway/homeless youth and a family reunification facilitator. His present professional work is with boys, adolescent males and men with a trauma history, with a focus on childhood sexual abuse and commercial sexual exploitation. He is the founder of the first freestanding program to serve commercially sexually exploited boys, adolescent males and trans youth in the United States. He is a trainer/consultant for the National Human Trafficking Training and Technical Assistance Center. Mr. Procopio has taught and presented on the issues of male victimization on local and national levels, consulting with various groups on the effects male childhood sexual abuse and commercial sexual exploitation. He works with nonprofits on program development and serves on the victims’ services sub-committee on the Massachusetts Attorney General’s Task Force on Human Trafficking.

DETECTIVE SCOTT SAYERS has been an officer with the Dallas Police Department for 24 years, the last 13 of which has been in the Homicide Unit. His experience includes ten years of patrol duty, Field Trainer Senior Corporal, Undercover Narcotics Street Squad Unit, Robbery Unit, and the Homicide Unit. Detective Sayers is an Instructor on Interview and Interrogation, and an Instructor for the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers in Advanced Interview Interrogation: A 360 View.

TROOPER CATHERINE SHACKFORD is a seven-year veteran of the New Hampshire State Police. Prior to her law enforcement career, Trooper Shackford spent seven years in the social work field, the last four working as a caseworker for the Division for Children, Youth and Families. After spending four and a half years working in a uniform capacity with both Troop D and Troop E, she was assigned to the State Police Major Crime Unit in 2016, focusing on adult sexual assault investigations. As a part of the Sexual Assault Justice Initiative grant that New Hampshire received from the US Department of Justice, she has been providing investigative technical assistance to law enforcement agencies in New Hampshire’s six most rural counties on these cases. Trooper Shackford also sits on the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANE) Advisory Board.

KELLY SMITH, LICSW has worked with both foster and adoptive families for 30 years. She has a private practice specializing in attachment, trauma and loss. Ms. Smith is committed to also advocating for foster and adoptive children at the macro level so that systems are engaged in the best practice for these children and families. With a passion for international travel, she has worked extensively in orphanages worldwide. She has also traveled with adoptive families on homeland tours as well as with parents traveling internationally to pick up their children. Personally, Ms. Smith has fostered two adolescents who have successfully transitioned into adulthood and she and her spouse are guardians to two adults with significant special needs.

KATE SPINER currently serves as the first Director of Communications for the New Hampshire Attorney General’s Office. Ms. Spiner’s role centers on providing greater transparency and continuity of information issued to news media and the public. She also serves to build awareness on important work being done to address
issues facing the State of New Hampshire and the Department of Justice. Previously, Ms. Spiner worked as the Director of Communications for the State Senate where she provided media relations and messaging support on legislation. In addition, she worked as an account executive at Montagne Communications serving various client needs including media relations and strategic communications. Ms. Spiner was the Communications Specialist for the New Hampshire Institute of Politics & Political Library at Saint Anselm College where she worked to promote and facilitate speaker events as well as nationally televised presidential candidate debates. Additionally, she spent two years as an associate producer in Creative Services at WMUR-TV 9 in Manchester, New Hampshire. Ms. Spiner received her bachelor’s degree in English and Communications from Saint Anselm College in 2010.

SARAH STRUVEN has been with the Merrimack County Department of Corrections for 20 years, ten of which have been as the agency’s Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Coordinator. She has been the PREA instructor for the New Hampshire Association of Counties since the class was added to the curriculum in 2010. She also worked for the National Institute of Corrections as an instructor, providing technical assistance. Ms. Struven received a degree in the field of Psychology from Colby-Sawyer College, is a certified Correctional Officer and Part-Time Police Officer. Prior to joining the field of corrections, she worked in the juvenile justice system as a caseworker with adjudicated youth, and volunteered as a crisis line worker and advocate for the Merrimack County Rape and Domestic Violence Crisis Center. Ms. Struven is a current member of the Merrimack County Sexual Assault Resource Team (SART) and a volunteer Rape, Aggression, Defense (RAD) Instructor. In 2014, she received the award of Corrections Employee of the Year for the New Hampshire Association of Counties and in 2017 the Robert C. Prescott award for dedication and service as an instructor for the Association of Counties. She has over 20 years of combined experience in matters pertaining to sexual assault, and victimization.

NICOLE “NIKKI” THORSPECKEN, JD became an Assistant County Attorney in the Hillsborough County Attorney’s Office in September 2012. While there, she formed a cybercrime working group including the police departments in the southern district and ICAC. After four years of prosecuting all felony level crimes and a majority of the child sexual abuse image cases, she joined the NH Attorney General’s Office prosecuting drug cases. Attorney Thorspecken returned in 2017 to head the Hillsborough County Attorney’s Office’s newly formed cybercrime unit, and now prosecutes cybercrime cases in Nashua and Manchester. She also mentors new attorneys and represents the office at ICAC meetings. She obtained her B.A. in history from St. Anselm College in 2009 and her J.D. from UNH School of Law in 2012.

EMILY VACHER, JD, MPS, MS joined Facebook in 2011 and is currently the Director of the Trust and Safety team. She is responsible for managing law enforcement relations, including including requests and outgoing case referrals, as well as law enforcement and security policy matters. Ms. Vacher developed and manages Facebook’s AMBER/Missing Child Alert program. Prior to joining Facebook, Ms. Vacher was a Special Agent with the FBI for more than a decade, leading a broad range of federal investigations. Specializing in Crimes Against Children matters, she served on the Innocent Images National Response Team, the Child Abduction Rapid Deployment Team, and served as a supervisor in the Undercover and Sensitive Operations Unit. Ms. Vacher was an FBI legal advisor, a National Center for the Analysis of Violent Crime coordinator, and a member of the FBI’s Operational Medicine Program. She is currently a member of the executive board at the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children. Prior to the FBI, she was an attorney in private practice in New York.

GEOFFREY WARD, JD is a Senior Assistant Attorney General and Chief of the Criminal Justice Bureau at the New Hampshire Attorney General’s Office. He earned his BA from Colby College in 1998 and his JD in 2007 from the UNH School of Law (formerly Franklin Pierce Law Center). Attorney Ward was formerly an Assistant Rockingham County Attorney from 2007 to 2012. He joined the Attorney General’s Office in 2012 where he has focused on the prosecution of homicides and public integrity matters. He became Chief of the Criminal Justice Bureau in 2018 after having served as Chief of the Public Integrity and Special Investigations Unit.
The 2019 Sandra Matheson Award

FOR EXEMPLARY COMMITMENT TO VICTIMS OF CRIME

The Attorney General’s Office is soliciting nominations for the sixth annual Sandra Matheson Award to recognize an individual or agency that embodies commitment, collaboration and leadership to improve the rights and services for victims of crime in New Hampshire.

For 26 years, as the director of the Office of Victim Witness Assistance, Sandi exemplified what it meant to be a true leader and visionary in the field of victim services. Through her pioneering work to develop laws, policies, protocols and collaborations, she made it possible for crime victims to exercise their rights and to access important services. She improved the systems’ response to crime victims and ensured that victims are treated with the dignity and respect they deserve.

The recipient of this award will be selected on the following criteria:

- Building strong, effective collaborative relationships with community partners;
- Improving the rights and services to crime victims and survivors; and
- Demonstrating leadership in the field of victim services.

Nominee: ___________________________ Affiliation: ___________________________

Nominated by: ___________________________ Affiliation: ___________________________

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Please forward a maximum one-page description of why the nominee deserves the award to ovwa@doj.nh.gov by August 9, 2019.

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Handouts

The Attorney General’s Office will not be providing session handouts at the conference. Handouts will be available on our website (http://doj.nh.gov/criminal/victim-assistance/events.htm) after August 24th.

Handouts will be available on the above website until September 20th.

Continuing Education

Attorneys

Effective July 1, 2014, the NHMCLE does not approve or accredit CLE activities for the NH Minimum CLE requirement. New Hampshire attendees must self-determine whether a program is eligible for credit, and self-report their attendance.

Law Enforcement

This training program may be applied against the 8-hour annual in-service training requirement of the New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Council for law enforcement officers, consistent with the requirements for documentation as outlined in Pol 403.01.

Mental Health

This program has been approved for 9.5 Category A Continuing Education credits by the National Association of Social Workers, NH Chapter. CEU #3592.

Sign in sheets will be available in each seminar that was approved. Certificates for the following seminars will be emailed to attendees after the conference: #1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 18, 19, 20, 21, 24, 25, 27, 30, 33, 34 and 36.

Nurses

Nursing Contact Hours for SANEs will NOT be available this year. However, certificates of Attendance with hours of attendance will be issued after the conference and may be used toward the NH SANE bi-annual nursing education requirements. Sign in sheets will be available in each approved seminar. The following seminars will provide SANEs with a certificate of attendance: #6, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 17, 18, 20, 21, 23, 24, 27, 30, 35 and 36.

As a reminder, not all presenters provide handouts for their presentations.

If the Attorney General’s Office does not receive materials from the presenters in advance of the conference, they will not be available on the website.
Save the Date

Mark your calendars. More information will be coming soon!

Legislative Review Day

October 22, 2019

Police Standards and Training Council in Concord, NH

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