Girls Matter!
A webinar series addressing adolescent girls' behavioral health

Sanctuary and Supports for Girls in Crisis

Growing numbers of teen girls are experiencing sexual victimization, involvement in juvenile justice, and homelessness. Interpersonal violence is a dominant and recurring theme in their lives. This webinar will provide an overview of the elements needed for creating trauma-informed, gender-responsive services to build the environment girls need in order to flourish, and the core values needed for effective programming. After completing this webinar, participants will have a clear understanding of the foundational principles for transforming organizational culture and for enhancing services, which are grounded in theory, research, and clinical expertise. This session aims to bring a message of hope and urgency for supporting girls in crisis.

Participants will be able to describe:
• Girls at risk
• Interpersonal violence and complex trauma in girls’ lives
• Effective interventions and programming for young women
• Principles for establishing safe and nurturing program environments

TUESDAY, JUNE 10, 2014 • 3:00–4:30 PM ET (2:00 CT, 1:00 MT, 12:00 PT)

Featured Speakers

Stephanie Covington, Ph.D., LCSW — Center For Gender and Justice
Dr. Covington is a pioneer in the field of girl’s and women’s issues, addiction, and recovery. She Co-Directs the Institute for Relational Development and the Center for Gender and Justice. Dr. Covington has developed an innovative, gender-responsive, and trauma-informed approach to the treatment needs of women and girls that results in effective services in public, private, and institutional settings. She also authored several books, articles, research studies, and curricula including Voices: A Program of Self-Discovery and Empowerment for Girls and Beyond Trauma: A Healing Journey for Women.

Jeannette Pai-Esponosa, Ed.D. — The National Crittenton Foundation
Ms. Pai-Esponosa is President of the National Crittenton Foundation. She has over 35 years’ experience in advocacy, education, intercultural communication, public policy, strategic communication, program development, and direct service delivery. She is Chair, National Foster Care Coalition; Co-Director, National Girls Institute, Department of Justice Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention; and Member, Board of Directors, Human Rights Project for Girls.

Kimberly Sokoloff Selvaggi — Taylorlane Consulting, Living in Safe Alternatives, Inc.
Kimberly Sokoloff Selvaggi is Executive Director for Living in Safe Alternatives and President of TaylorLane Consulting. She co-authored Trauma Informed Effective Reinforcement System (TIER) for Girls, a comprehensive, gender-responsive program model for residential programs and facilities; La Mariposa, a personal empowerment program for girls; and SPEAK Up! Youth-Led Advocacy Program for Girls.

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