



Tuesday, April 25, 2023

8:30 – 8:45 a.m. **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

Deana Joy, BA, Executive Director, CACNC

8:45 – 10:15 a.m. **Keynote Address**

We Are Better Together: Three Things Your MDT Must Do to Thrive Today!

Irish Burch, BASC, President and CEO of Dallas CAC

The past couple of years have challenged our teams and communities beyond anything we have ever experienced. This keynote is designed to share three factors that all MDT members can do to ensure we continue to stand united in our cause of protecting children.

PARTICIPANTS: All Attendees

10:15 – 10:30 a.m. **Break**

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **Plenary**

Five Generations, One Table: Creating Effective MDT's Engagement & Collaboration When Responding to Human Trafficking

Tanisha Knighton, Ph.D, Sole Proprietor of Knighton Consulting Group, LLC

This session will explore building a comprehensive multidisciplinary team in order to create a safe space to meet the various needs of an individual experiencing trafficking and their family members. The session will help participants understand the differences in perspectives and explore ways to unite those varying approaches.

PARTICIPANTS: All Attendees

12:00 – 1:30 p.m. **Lunch Break** (Box lunch is provided by conference)

1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

Medical Child Abuse

Molly C. Berkoff, MD, MPH, Professor, Department of Pediatrics, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Director, North Carolina Child Medical Evaluation Program, Department of Pediatrics, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

This session will provide an overview of medical child abuse (MCA), an overview of risk factors, diagnosis, prognosis, and clinical management. The session will also focus on recognition of, and referral for, MCA in a CAC setting.

PARTICIPANTS: Medical Providers

3:00 – 3:15 p.m. **Break**

3:15 – 4:45 p.m.

Psychological Maltreatment

Dana Hagele, MD, MPH, Clinical Director, Children's Advocacy Centers of North Carolina

This session will provide an overview of psychological maltreatment, with a focus on identification, diagnosis, and treatment planning in a CAC setting.

PARTICIPANTS: Medical Providers

Wednesday, April 26, 2023

8:30 – 10:00 a.m.

Physical Abuse for the Medical Professional

Antoinette L. Laskey, MD, MPH, MBA, FAAP Professor of Pediatrics, Division Chief/ Medical Director, Center for Safe and Healthy Families, University of Utah

This session will discuss the basics of physical abuse, including cutaneous injuries, sentinel injuries, and fractures; explore relevant history to obtain from caregivers, mechanisms of injury; other diagnoses to consider and possible accidental explanations; review mimics and how best to evaluate those and how to effectively communicate and collaborate with our MDT partners.

PARTICIPANTS: Medical Providers

10:00 – 10:15 a.m.

Break

10:15 – 11:45 a.m.

Abusive Head Trauma for the Medical Professional

Antoinette L. Laskey, MD, MPH, MBA, FAAP Professor of Pediatrics, Division Chief/ Medical Director, Center for Safe and Healthy Families, University of Utah

In this session, we will discuss how and when to evaluate for abusive head trauma, how to interpret tests and studies, the latest scientific evidence related to mechanism of injury and timing of injuries as well as recognizing how bias can influence the recognition and diagnosis of cases. We will cover how to effectively communicate and collaborate with our MDT partners.

PARTICIPANTS: Medical Providers

11:45 – 1:30 p.m.

Lunch Break (Box lunch is provided by conference)

1:30 – 3:00p.m.

(E3-MDT) Intellectual and/or Developmental Disabilities: A Primer on Assessment, Services and Advocacy

Jean B. Mankowski, Ph.D, Clinical Assistant Professor, Director of Training N-LEND, Carolina Institute of Developmental Disabilities (CIDD), University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Individuals with complex developmental differences are in all of our communities and are very often underserved. This session will review the most prevalent intellectual and/or developmental disabilities (I/DD) and how to recognize characteristics in children and adolescents. We will discuss when and where to refer individuals for evaluation and what type of referral will best needs meet their needs. Information will be provided about IEPs and 504 plans within the school and when to place a child on the Registry of Unmet Needs for the Innovations Waiver.

PARTICIPANTS: All Disciplines

3:00 – 3:15 p.m.

Break

3:15 – 4:45 p.m.

(F3-MDT) Intersection of Trauma and Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities and Approach to Assessment and Treatment

Jean B. Mankowski, Ph.D, Clinical Assistant Professor, Director of Training N-LEND, Carolina Institute of Developmental Disabilities (CIDD), University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Statistics show individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities (I/DD) at much higher risk of abuse, neglect, violence, and trauma than typically developing children and adolescents. During this session participants will develop a better understanding of types of trauma and how trauma manifests in I/DD. We will review the complex nuances of trauma assessment in individuals with I/DDs including the screening process and when to refer for a professional evaluation. We will consider evidence-based practices to address trauma response and behavioral health needs in individuals with I/DDs from early childhood through adolescence.

PARTICIPANTS: All Disciplines

Thursday, April 27, 2023

8:30 – 10:00 a.m.

(G3-MDT) How Multidisciplinary Teams Can Systematically Approach Problematic Sexual Behavior (PSB)

Geoff Sidoli, MSW, LCSW, Executive Director, Mountain CAC

Multidisciplinary Teams (MDT) have long been utilized to form strategies for the sexual abuse of children by adults, but studies show that between 25%- 40% of alleged child sexual abuse cases referred to CACs are initiated by a child. MDTs often find themselves in a unique position to determine and guide services for youth with problematic sexual behavior. However, they are often inadequately prepared to determine their heterogeneous developmental and contextual needs. The focus of this training will be to examine how MDTs can provide the systemic needs of this population and how they can form best practices for youth with problematic sexual behavior by developing policies and procedures that are empirically supported and informed.

INTERMEDIATE. All Disciplines

10:00 – 10:15 a.m.

Break

10:15 – 11:45 a.m.

Closing Plenary

The Future of Work: Why Happiness at Work Matters Now More Than Ever

Brooklyn Dicent, M.ED, Chief Happiness Officer, The Happiness Consulting Company

During this highly interactive and fun session, Brooklyn will share science-based insights on how to be happier at work. You will learn the tools to live happier and how it's the primary driver for resilience, mental health, and thriving during this extended pandemic state. Discover the best way to experience more fun throughout your day to increase productivity and creativity.

PARTICIPANTS: All Attendees