

**THE OHIO ASSOCIATION OF CHILD  
AND YOUTH CARE PROFESSIONALS, INC.**



**2009 OACYCP  
SPRING CONFERENCE**

**Wednesday, May 13, 2009  
8:45 AM - 4:15 PM**

Bergamo Center  
4400 Shakertown Road  
Dayton, Ohio 45430-1075

**CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AND LUNCHEON BUFFET**  
Included with Conference Registration

For more information, go to the OACYCP website at:  
[www.helpingohiokids.org](http://www.helpingohiokids.org)

## **TRAINING SCHEDULE**

**8:00 a.m. - 8:45 a.m. - Registration/Continental Breakfast**

**8:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - Workshops**

- A) Alternatives to Point and Level Systems in Residential Care**
- B) Effectively Addressing Runaway Behaviors**
- C) Teaching Parenting to the Youth We “Parent”**
- D) You Can't Always Get What You Want.....Or Can You?**
- E) National Child and Youth Care Certification Testing (CYCCB)**

**12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Buffet Luncheon/Speaker/Door Prizes**

**1:00 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. - Workshops**

- E) National Child and Youth Care Certification Testing (CYCCB)**
- F) Why the Developmental Assets Make Sense**
- G) Culture and Diversity**
- H) How Do I Work With the Child Who Acted Out Sexually?**
- I) Helping Children to Manage Change**

### **WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS**

**A) Alternatives to Point and Level Systems in Residential Care - Desiree Morrison, LPCC-S; Geauga Youth Center Director - Ravenwood Mental Health Center and Brad Welch, LSW; Family First Council Coordinator - Geauga County** - This workshop will outline the pros and cons of point and level systems in the residential milieu. Cultural implications will be included. Research that supports alternative systems will be discussed. Participants will learn the benefits of replacing behavioral based level systems with individualized and activity based programming. Focus will be on implementing programming that encourages transferability to real life. If your team wants to focus less on the clipboard and more on what makes sense, this workshop is for you.

**B) Effectively Addressing Runaway Behaviors – Sr. Madeleine Rybicki, CSFN, MS; Director of Training - Holy Family Institute, Pittsburgh, PA** – Participants will explore the complex factors involved in runaway behaviors with youth. Specific patterns of behaviors will be identified and analyzed. The workshop will offer effective communication techniques for altering runaway behaviors. Specific interventions and strategies for addressing runaway issues in residential care settings and foster homes will also be examined.

**C) Teaching Parenting to the Youth We “Parent” – Tena Mitchell; Prevention Specialist Team Leader – Daybreak, Inc.** - This workshop will instruct participants in parenting activities when working with clients. Utilizing the Nurturing Parent curriculum, the workshop will discuss strategies for implementing parenting classes and integrating these activities in daily routines and living situations. You will leave with ideas and activities to assist your clients in their parenting skills. The workshop specifically targets teen parents with children 0-5 years of age.

**D) You Can't Always Get What You Want....Or Can You? - George Purgert, MSSA, LISW; Core Curriculum Master Trainer, 2008 Recipient of the Timothy E. Kuster Memorial Award for Excellence in Child Care, Executive Director, Safely Home, Inc.** - You come to the conference looking for solutions. You get lots of great information, BUT...that "one issue" isn't addressed. It's the thing that you often face that really affects you and how you work with kids. This workshop will try to overcome that experience. Your workshop begins when you sign up for the session. Fill out your registration form, then e-mail an issue mentioned above to [skinnerd@daybreakdayton.org](mailto:skinnerd@daybreakdayton.org). The workshop will then be tailored to research and answer your questions.

**E) National Child and Youth Care Certification Testing (CYCCB) – Anthony Rodgers, MPA, LSW, CYC-P; Board Member and Treasurer – Child and Youth Care Certification Board (CYCCB) –** OACYCP is offering conference participants the opportunity to complete testing for the national full professional child and youth care credential. Attainment of this credential demonstrates that a practitioner has met the highest competency standards in the profession as established by the child and youth care professional community. The credential documents a practitioner's experience, training and competence. It offers a credential recognized across practice settings and regional areas. Beginning in 2012, a baccalaureate degree will also be required. Practitioners passing the 75-item multiple-choice, scenario-based exam are eligible to submit an application for certification. The application process includes submission of an application, references, supervisor assessments, and an electronic portfolio. **(Please note that there is an additional \$75.00 testing fee for this workshop in addition to the conference registration fee. Or, an applicant may register for this workshop only for a \$75.00 testing fee.)**

**F) Why the Developmental Assets Make Sense – Kathleen Hooks, BA, CYC-P; Director of Youth Services – Daybreak, Inc.** - Positive youth development needs to be intentional. Positive youth development needs to move away from problems to strengths. Positive youth development needs to move from blaming others to claiming responsibility. The Search Institute's 40 Developmental Assets® are common sense, concrete, positive experiences and qualities that help influence choices young people make and help them become caring, responsible adults. This workshop will give strength-based strategies on recognizing assets and gaining an understanding of each person's role in the "Asset-Building Framework".

**G) Culture and Diversity – Biljana Grujicic; Core Curriculum Master Trainer - Catholic Charities Service Corporation/Parmadale** – In child and youth care, workers must be aware of how their own biases, prejudices, values and beliefs act as "filters" in their assessments and dealings with both youth and their families, as well as with their co-workers. The goal of this workshop is to provide staff with an up close and personal look at values, belief systems and culture. Staff will be challenged to look at situations through different perspectives. So come, share, and experience culture in a whole new way.

**H) How Do I Work With the Child Who Acted Out Sexually? - George Purgert, MSSA, LISW; Core Curriculum Master Trainer, 2008 Recipient of the Timothy E. Kuster Memorial Award for Excellence in Child Care; Executive Director - Safely Home, Inc.** - Many of our kids come to us with assessments completed about their past sexual behaviors. This workshop will address what is covered in the assessments, how the information is gathered, and ways to utilize the information in our daily interaction with kids. Participants will leave with a glossary of terms about sexualized behavior in a positive, growth producing fashion. We will also review both the obstacles and solutions to teaching appropriate sexuality in a placement setting. Finally, we will look at possible impacts to the child care professional when routinely working on these issues with clients.

**I) Helping Children to Manage Change - Sr. Madeleine Rybicki, CSFN, MS; Director of Training - Holy Family Institute, Pittsburgh, PA** – This workshop will assist workers in building an awareness regarding the dynamics of change in dealing with children. The training offers the opportunity to recognize the effects of change; how you as an individual deal with change; and how change affects you. The workshop also lets participants see and experience how important it is to have a positive attitude, empathy and teamwork in helping children manage change.

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**REGISTRATION FORM - - OACYCP 2009 SPRING CONFERENCE**

<b>NAME:</b>	<b>AGENCY:</b>
<b>ADDRESS:</b>	<b>PHONE: (     )</b>

Registration for the OACYCP 2009 Spring Conference includes morning and afternoon workshops, continental breakfast, buffet luncheon and a certificate of attendance and training at a cost of \$70.00 per registrant. Please check to request the following:

Social Work CEU's

Counselor CEU's

Please indicate your choice of workshops by workshop letter below, in order of preference:

**AM Workshop (8:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.):**

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\_\_\_\_\_ (Second Choice)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Third Choice)

**PM Workshop (1:00 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.):**

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\_\_\_\_\_ (Second Choice)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Third Choice)

(OPTIONAL) \$75.00 testing fee included for National Child and Youth Care Certification Testing (Workshop E)

Send this form along with payment for full amount to: OACYCP, c/o Daybreak – Darlene Skinner, 605 South Patterson Boulevard, Dayton, Ohio, 45402. Contact Darlene Skinner, Conference Registrar, at (937) 395-4600 ext. 127 with any questions or to seek additional information.

**Registrations may also be faxed to (937) 395-4610.**