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E-UPDATE FROM CSSRC ~ You are receiving this email as a subscriber of the Colorado School Safety Resource Center's (CSSRC) listserv. E-Updates from the CSSRC will contain the most current information about the Center's activities and resources, as well as other school safety efforts throughout the state of Colorado and relevant national resources. **Please forward this to others on your email list that have an interest in supporting safe and positive schools in Colorado. They may register for this listserv on our website www.Colorado.gov/SchoolSafetyResourceCenter or www.Colorado.gov/CSSRC.**

THE DIRECTOR'S CORNER

On August 15, 2014 I had the pleasure of attending the fourth annual Bullying Summit hosted by the US Department of Education. It was very evident that bullying prevention is now best addressed through the greater goal of providing a positive school climate for all students.

Many of the issues the Center and our partners the Colorado Department of Education, the Colorado Education Initiative (formerly the Colorado Legacy Foundation), the Anti-Defamation League, One-Colorado, and Facing History and Ourselves have already addressed in our Positive School Climate: Bullying Prevention Institutes were the focus of this one-day summit. [Click here to access select speaker presentations and handouts.](#)

Moving to a multi-tiered behavioral support framework like Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS), that many of our Colorado schools are using with the support of CDE, is necessary. Research also tells us that if a school implements a quality social-emotional learning curriculum, they can expect better student behavior and an 11 point increase in test scores (Durlak, Weissberg, Dymnicki, Taylor & Schedllinger, 2010).

But the presentation that resonated most for me in DC was that of Michael Lu from the US Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration on where do we go from here. Mr. Lu observed that we need three things in order to effect social change where bullying is concerned: **knowledge, social strategy and political will**. I believe we now have the knowledge of what works, and our social-emotional strategies give us the skills to effect the necessary changes. But I am not sure if all schools have the will to make the changes. In this atmosphere of testing and evaluations, it would be easy to put the emphasis on a positive school climate on the back burner. But let us not forget that a school where every student feels safe and connected is a school where every student can perform to their full academic potential.

Wishing you all a safe and successful school year, Chris

❖ 2014 Colorado Safe Schools Summit

- **October 22-23, 2014 Embassy Suites, 4705 Clydesdale Parkway, Loveland, CO**
- This event will include keynote speakers and a three-track breakout schedule for school administrators and staff, school/community mental health professionals, and first responders. Breakout sessions so far will include: Safety & Media Communications, The Adolescent Brain, Creating Schools that are "No Place for

Hate”, Using Social Norming Campaigns, Human Trafficking, Overview of Suicide in Colorado and more. Click on the flyer below for more details.

- Registration for this training is required. You will need to create an account in CO.Train if you do not already have a registration account. The course ID in CO.Train is [1052344](#)
- There is no cost to participants but **you must be pre-registered**.
- To reserve rooms for this event, contact Embassy Suites in Loveland at 970-593-6200 and ask for the Colorado School Safety Resource Center room block, or go online at www.embassysuitesloveland.com and use group code **CSR**.
- Please remember that you must register yourself on co.train.org but please feel free to call the Colorado School Safety Resource Center, at (303)239-4435 with any other questions.
- [Colorado Safe Schools Summit flyer](#)

CURRENT EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ **NEW Youth Engaged for School Safety (YES²)**

- The CRRSC’s youth advisory council, YES², is pleased to announce the soft launch of its social media campaign on Twitter.
- The soft launch will be used to test messaging and begin to gather followers. Please follow us @YES2_Colorado and encourage your youth to do the same. The council will use this tool to reach out to other youth and spread awareness on a number of school safety topics.
- YES² will fully launch the Twitter account in October, in accordance with Colorado’s Safe Schools Month.

❖ **Institute of Higher Education (IHE) Networking Meeting , hosted by the Colorado School Safety Resource Center:**

- **September 4, 2014, 8:30am-10:30am, Colorado State Patrol Academy, Bldg 100, 15055 S. Golden Rd, Golden, CO**
- The Colorado School Safety Resource Center is proud to announce the second meeting of our IHE Networking group, for all of those whose mission is school safety at an Institution of Higher Education.
- Our first meeting was very well attended and many interesting subjects were discussed. If you weren't able to attend, we invite you to this second meeting.
- The decision has been made to focus our next meeting on Threat Assessments in Institutes of Higher Education. We will discuss everything from the creation of teams and processes to the actual investigation of threats by Threat Assessment Teams.
- Please bring any documents or procedures you and/or your Threat Assessment teams are currently using for discussion and comparison.
- Coffee and bagels will be provided.
- Please RSVP with Brad Stiles at brad.stiles@state.co.us, so we can get an accurate accounting of all interested attendees.

❖ **NEW World Suicide Prevention Day:**

- **September 10, 2014 - globally**
- Sponsored by the [International Association for Suicide Prevention \(IASP\)](#) in association with the [World Health Organization \(WHO\)](#).

- World Suicide Prevention Day is an opportunity for all sectors of the community to join IASP and the WHO to focus public attention on the unacceptable burden and costs of suicidal behaviors with diverse activities to promote understanding about suicide and highlight effective prevention activities.
- Activities can include holding conferences, educational seminars, placing information on your website, organizing memorial services and walks, and conducting training courses in suicide and depression awareness.
- [Click here for more information](#)

❖ **NEW** Colorado Remembers 9/11 – Emerging Threats to National Security:

- **September 11, 2014, 7:00pm, Ellie Caulkins Opera House at the Denver Performing Arts Complex**
- Presented by [The Denver Post](#) and [the CELL](#).
- This commemoration will include a remembrance ceremony to honor lives lost and a forum in which General David H. Petraeus (US Army Ret.) will address Emerging Threat to U.S. National Security.
- This event is hosted by Governor John Hickenlooper and Mayor Michael B. Hancock.
- Tickets are available to purchase \$10 for Loge and \$30 for Orchestra.
- [Click here to purchase tickets](#)

❖ **NEW** Colorado United Day of Service:

- **September 13, 2014**
- Presented by [Colorado United and SERVE Colorado](#).
- Governor John Hickenlooper and Lt. Governor Joe Garcia will join in the Colorado United Day of Service to commemorate the one year anniversary of last year's historic floods and highlight the intense need for continued recovery efforts in Colorado's flood, fire and other disaster damaged communities.
- Volunteers in Colorado can register online to work on projects. SERVE Colorado is working with local partners across the state to match volunteers with events in their own communities.
- The celebration will end with a planned concert, food and drink in Lyons, CO.
- Visit www.ColoradoUnited.com for more information.
- [Click here to find local opportunities and to register](#)

❖ **UPDATE** Colorado Safe Schools Month – October 2014:

- **Safe Schools Month National Calendar**
- SafeSchoolsMonth.org is the official national calendar of all Safe Schools Month activities. Launched by the Colorado School Safety Task Force working with Senator Ellen Roberts, the online calendar is freely accessible to the public and allows registered subscribers to post their upcoming school safety events planned for October and beyond. SafeSchoolsMonth.org covers conferences, trainings, book launches, the release of new resources and lesson plans, scheduled drills and exercises, print and broadcast features, new technology presentations, funding opportunities, and more.
- As we have announced earlier, Colorado is launching a national initiative to establish October as Safe Schools Month. On the last day of this year's session, the General Assembly unanimously passed and co-sponsored Senate Joint Resolution 14-031, designating October as "Safe Schools Month" in Colorado, with copies of the resolution going to the White House and several members of the U.S. Cabinet. SJR14-031 covers the full spectrum of what we all do to create safe learning environments, and invites everyone to join a month-long national conversation on school safety.

- **Continue to send us your ideas and plans for this October so we can highlight them in our next CSSRC E-Updates.** CDPS_School_Safety_Center@state.co.us.
- The resolution encourages "all educators, community partners, first responders, subject matter experts, members of the private sector, the media, and other stakeholders to coordinate their activities with the Colorado School Safety Resource Center and to help promote a culture of school safety and positive school climate." The Colorado School Safety Task Force, which drafted the resolution, will hold a Safe Schools Month launch event at the Colorado State Capitol on Thursday, September 25, 2014 from 1:00PM to 4:00PM in the Old Supreme Court Chamber. All are invited to this free event.
- For more information, please click on the links below.
- [Governor's Proclamation](#)
- [Senate Joint Resolution 14-031](#)
- [Concerning SJR 14-031 Colorado Safe Schools Month](#)
- Learn more [About Colorado Safe Schools Month](#)
- Use this [Sample News Release](#) to advertise your Safe Schools Month activities
- Involve your parents with the [Sample Parent Newsletter Article](#)
- Need ideas on how to participate? Use these [Suggestions for a School-Community Pledge](#)
- We would love to hear about what your school is doing! Send us your stories at CDPS_School_Safety_Center@state.co.us

❖ **NEW October is Family and School Partnership in Education Month:**

- Presented by the [State Advisory Council for Parent Involvement in Education \(SACPIE\)](#).
- Governor John Hickenlooper's has issued a proclamation declaring October as Family and School Partnership in Education Month.
- Families can be very important in creating safe schools and safe schools are very important in supporting strong academic achievement.
- Events and resources for 2014 will soon be available on the SACPIE website at www.cde.state.co.us/sacpie

❖ **NEW Incentives for Walk and Bike to School Day – October 8, 2014:**

- Presented by the [Colorado Department of Transportation \(CDOT\)](#) in partnership with [Colorado Action for Healthy Kids](#) and [LiveWell Colorado](#).
- This year, throughout a partnership with Colorado Action for Healthy Kids and LiveWell Colorado, CDOT will be randomly awarding three \$250 mini-grants to schools who have registered and reported their Walk to School Day/Month participation.
- International Walk to School Day is a global event that involves communities from more than 40 countries walking and biking to school on the same day. This annual event has become part of a movement for year-round safe routes to school and a celebration every October.
- Register for Walk and Bike to School Day at www.walkbiketoschool.org.

COLORADO SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER TRAININGS

❖ **Positive School Climate: Bullying Prevention Institute – Grand Junction, CO**

- **September 16, 2014, 8:00am-3:30pm, Two Rivers Convention Center, 159 Main St, Grand Junction, CO**
- Hosted by: Colorado School Safety Resource Center with support from the Gay & Lesbian Fund for Colorado.
- Our partners include the ADL, CDE, Colorado Education Initiative, Facing History & Ourselves & One Colorado.

- This event will explore various topics such as measuring school climate, best practices in bullying prevention, an overview of bullying prevention legislation and on-the-spot interventions and curriculum ideas.
- **Keynote Speaker: Dorothy L. Espelage, Ph.D.**, Professor of Child Development and Associate Chair in the Department of Educational Psychology at the University of Illinois. If you are unable to attend, [watch Dr. Espelage live on Livestream](#).
- Registration for this training is required. You will need to create an account in CO.Train if you do not already have a registration account. The course ID in CO.Train is [1045326](#).
- There is no cost to participants.
- Please remember that you must register yourself on co.train.org but please feel free to call the Colorado School Safety Resource Center, at (303)239-4435 with any other questions.
- [Positive School Climate: Bullying Prevention Institute Flyer](#)
- [Click here to review Agenda](#)

❖ **Traumatized Youth and How Schools Can Assist – Thornton, CO**

- **September 24, 2014, 8:00am-3:30pm, Adams 12 Conference Center, 1500 E. 128th Avenue, Thornton, CO**
- This event will explore various topics such as what is known about youth & trauma, creating trauma sensitive classrooms, teen dating violence, adult misconduct in schools, trafficking of students, secondary traumatic stress and school staff, and evidence-based interventions.
- Special Guest Speakers: Lenya Robinson, Director of Trauma Informed and Integrated Care, Colorado Office of Behavioral Health, and Lynn Garst, Associate Director of Community Services, Child & Family Services, Mental Health Center of Denver. If you are unable to attend, [watch Lenya Robinson live on Livestream](#).
- Registration for this training is required. You will need to create an account in CO.Train if you do not already have a registration account. The course ID in CO.Train is [1051817](#).
- There is no cost to participants but you must be pre-registered.
- Please remember that you must register yourself on co.train.org but please feel free to call the Colorado School Safety Resource Center, at (303)239-4435 with any other questions.
- [Traumatized Youth and How Schools Can Assist Flyer](#)
- [Click here to review Agenda](#)

CSSRC MOST RECENT ONLINE COURSE OFFERINGS

❖ **Front Office Staff: School Gatekeepers**

- Click here and scroll down for more information on [Front Office Staff: School Gatekeepers](#)

❖ **Proactive School Discipline**

- Click here and scroll down for more information on [Proactive School Discipline](#)

❖ **School Security Personnel: Observation Skills & Incident Reporting**

- Click here and scroll down for more information on [School Security Personnel: Observation Skills & Incident Reporting](#)

❖ **School Security Personnel: Professional Conduct & Ethics**

- Click here and scroll down for more information on [School Security Personnel: Professional Conduct & Ethics](#)

❖ **CSSRC Most Recent Livestream Keynotes Archived**

- [Click here to see Livestreams of all previous keynote addresses...](#)

WEBINARS and OTHER ONLINE LEARNING COURSES

❖ **NEW** Implementation in Action: Making a “Good Faith” Effort to Comply with the VAWA Amendment to Clery

- **September 3, 2014, 1:00pm-2:00pm MDT**
- Presented by the [National Center for Campus Public Safety](#) and [The Clery Center](#).
- This free webinar, sponsored by [Margolis Healy](#), highlights the experiences and voices of individuals within higher education. Listen in on a candid discussion about what peers in the field are doing to make a “good faith effort” to comply with the Violence Against Woman Act (VAWA) amendments to the Clery Act while navigating the larger campus safety landscape.
- [Click here to register](#)

❖ **NEW** Committee for Children Upcoming Webinars

- Presented by the [Committee for Children](#), creators of the award-winning *Second Step* Program.
- **September 9, 2014 11:00am PT - Second Step K-5: Social: Economic Skills for Elementary Students**
- **September 10, 2014 11:00am PT – Second Step Middle School: Setting a Course for Success**
- **September 11, 2014 11:00am PT – Child Protection Unit: Educating the School Community**
- **September 18, 2014 11:00am PT – Second Step Early Learning: Social Skills for School Readiness**
- **September 23, 2014 11:00am PT – Second Step Programs: Reduce Problem Behaviors, Boost Academic Success**
- **September 24, 2014 11:00am PT – Bullying Prevention Unit: A Schoolwide Approach**
- [Click to visit Committee for Children’s Webinar registration site](#)

❖ **NEW** Working with Students with a Brain Injury: A Best Practices Review

- **September 10, 2014 3:00PM ET**
- Presented by the [Brain Injury Association of America](#).
- This webinar will review evidence-based strategies from the field of Applied Behavior Analysis that are effective when working with a student with a brain injury.
- Participants will learn how these strategies can be implemented and individualized for students who often present with complicated profiles following a brain injury.
- The cost of this webinar is \$50.00.
- [Click here to register](#)

❖ **NEW** Threat Assessment Strategies for Schools and Higher Education

- **September 23, 2014, 2:00pm-3:30pm ET**
- Presented by the [Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention \(OJJDP\)](#) in collaboration with the [International Association of Chiefs of Police \(IACP\)](#).
- This webinar will provide an overview of threat assessment programs for both K-12 schools and higher education campus settings, discuss school/campus threat assessment strategies and programs, and provide resources to meet standards of practice in threat assessment.
- This is a free webinar.
- [Click here to register](#)

❖ **Responding to a Disaster: Skills for Psychological Recovery (SPR)**

- The [National Child Traumatic Stress Network](#) and the [National Center for PTSD](#) have developed an online course entitled [“Skills for Psychological Recovery” \(SPR\)](#). This is an evidence-informed skills-building intervention for survivors and responders who are exhibiting distress weeks to months after a disaster or

emergency. SPR is intended to help survivors identify their most pressing current concerns and teach them the skills so they can better address those needs.

- The skills used in SPR include enhancing problem-solving abilities, increasing positive activities, managing distressing reactions, promoting helpful thinking, and building healthy social connections. SPR can be conducted in one visit or ideally in multiple contacts in diverse settings.
- Access the [SPR Online Course](#)

❖ **Underage Drinking Enforcement Training Center (UDETTC)**

- Presented by the [Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention \(OJJDP\)](#).
- These online distance learning courses focus on best practices and strategies for enforcement of underage drinking laws and efforts to reduce underage drinking.
- Topics include reducing alcohol sales to minors through compliance check operations, effective environmental prevention strategies to address underage drinking, preventing and safely dispersing underage drinking parties, and more.
- There is no cost for these courses and participants will receive a certificate upon completion of each course.
- [More information and registration](#).
- Access the [Online University](#) for resources and trainings.

❖ **Social Media and School Violence**

- Released in 2014 by the [National White Collar Crime Center \(NW3C\)](#) with support from the [Bureau of Justice Assistance \(BJA\)](#)
- In this six-part video series offered by NW3C, law enforcement officers will gain invaluable, up-to-date information on social media trends and other material designed to help law enforcement who work with youth today. Indiana State Police Lt. Chuck Cohen, a veteran cyber crimes investigator and expert in social media, narrates each training module. In addition, law enforcement executives from across the United States share their insight into the problem of school violence and ways to confront it.
- [Access the Course information](#)

OTHER COLORADO TRAININGS and EVENTS

❖ **NEW Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) – Longmont, CO**

- **September 4 & 25, October 2 & 9, 6:00pm-9:00pm, Longmont Safety & Justice Center, Longmont, CO**
- Provided by the [Longmont Department of Public Safety](#) in partnership with the [North Central Region Citizen Corps Council](#).
- This training empowers community members by teaching them how to prepare for and survive hazards. Team members are trained to take care of themselves and to help others in their communities until first responders arrive.
- For more information and details on how to register, call the Longmont Office of Emergency Management at 303.651.8438 or [click here to visit their website](#).

❖ **Denver Community Emergency Response Training (Denver CERT)**

- **September 4, 2014, 6:00pm – 9:00pm, Denver Police District #1, 1311 W. 46th Ave, Denver, CO**
- **September 6 & 13, 2014, 8:00am – 5:30pm, Denver Police District #1, 1311 W. 46th Ave, Denver, CO**
- **October, 2014 (exact date and location to be announced) – Class exercise**
- Presented by [Denver Office of Emergency Management](#)
- This emergency/disaster preparedness and response training (FEMA course G317) will include how to plan for an emergency and teach basic skills such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and emergency/disaster medical operations.

- At the completion of this training, participants are encouraged to support emergency response agencies by taking a more active role in emergency preparedness projects in our community.
- For more information, visit <http://www.denvergov.org/oem>
- [Click here to register](#)

❖ **NEW Concussion Action Team Teleconference Meeting**

- **September 9, 2014, 2:00pm-3:00pm**
- Provided by the Concussion Action Team (CAT), [Colorado Department of Education](#).
- The purpose of CAT team meetings is to provide school districts with the opportunity to discuss challenges and to share information related to concussion management.
- These meetings are provided by CDE specifically for school professionals. They are not intended for or open to the medical community or families.
- This meeting will be available by [teleconference only](#).
- **Teleconference Information: Dial 1-877-820-7831; Enter Participant Passcode 692912#. Please be sure to mute your speakers and microphones.**

❖ **UPDATE safeTALK Workshops (Suicide Awareness Training)**

- **September 16, 2014, 1:00pm-4:00pm, Douglas County Sheriff's Office, 9250 Zoto Drive, Highlands Ranch**
- **October 29, 2014, 4:30pm-7:30pm, Cougar Run Elementary, 8780 Venneford Ranch, Highlands Ranch**
- Presented by the [Douglas Arapahoe Suicide Prevention Alliance](#)
- These three-hour trainings prepare anyone over the age of 15 to identify persons with thoughts of suicide and connect them to suicide first aid resources.
- All workshops are free and open to the public.
- [Registration and more information](#)

❖ **CO-NAME Conference for Educators (Colorado Chapter of the National Association for Multicultural Education)**

- **September 19, 2014, 8:00am 3:30pm, Auraria Campus, Denver**
- Presented by [CO-NAME](#)
- "Who is in your classroom? Knowing, affirming, and teaching culturally and linguistically diverse students" is the theme for the conference.
- [Registration](#) is required and is due by September 9, 2014.

❖ **NEW Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) Overview Training**

- **September 19, 2014, 9:00am-4:30pm, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs, CO**
- **September 23, 2014, 9:00am-4:30pm, Adams 12 Training Center, Thornton, CO**
- Offered by the [Colorado Department of Education Office of Learning Supports](#).
- This one-day workshop will provide an overview of the Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) framework with a focus on student success. Content will include awareness, skill-building activities, use of the problem solving process within a layered continuum, and the use of implementation science to scale-up efforts.
- Participants are encouraged to attend in teams or with thinking partners to benefit from the interactive learning activities.
- There is no cost for this training.
- [Click here for registration information](#)

❖ **MSU Denver Providers for Youth Partnership Resource Fair**

- **September 26, 2014, 9:00am-11:30am, Metropolitan State University, Tivoli Room, Denver, CO**
- Presented by [Metropolitan State University of Denver Department of Human Services](#).
- This resource fair will be available to anyone who serves youth.

- Resources will include mental health services, substance abuse, grief and loss, youth homelessness, transition age youth, school safety, human trafficking, tobacco cessation and many others.
 - RSVP to martind@msudenver.edu.
- ❖ **UPDATED American Red Cross Rocky Mountain Business Preparedness Academy**
- **September 30, 2014, 8:00am-5:00pm, The Cable Center, 2000 Buchtel Blvd, Denver, CO**
 - Presented by the [American Red Cross of Colorado & Wyoming](#).
 - The Red Cross will host the Rocky Mountain Business Preparedness Academy to help businesses, schools and organizations get prepared.
 - This all-day academy is open to business and community members throughout the Rocky Mountain region and will feature expert speakers on a wide range of preparedness topics.
 - Participants will gain advice and insights from experts and take concrete steps to strengthen businesses and organizations to handle emergencies and disasters.
 - The cost of this training is \$10 per person for Red Cross Ready Rating members and \$25 for non-members.
 - [Click here for registration and more information](#).
- ❖ **NEW Cultural Resources Awareness for Emergency Personnel Course**
- **October 9, 2014, 9:00am-5:00pm, South Metro Fire Rescue Authority, Centennial, CO.**
 - Presented by the [Colorado Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management](#).
 - This course will provide emergency managers and their first responders with an understanding of the vulnerabilities and complexities of cultural resources. It will also identify opportunities and challenges to effectively partner with the cultural heritage community to help them prevent, prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters.
 - This is no cost for this training.
 - Registration will be through CO.Train.org – **Course ID 1052816**. For assistance with CO.Train registration, contact Michael.bean@state.co.us.
 - [Click here to register](#).
- ❖ **31st Annual Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado Conference – Navigating the Future**
- **October 16-17, 2014, Colorado Convention Center, Denver, CO**
 - Presented by the [Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado](#).
 - This conference is geared towards survivors and their direct support services, such as family, therapists, and caregivers.
 - Key topics include Life After Traumatic Brain Injury, the NIH Brain Initiative, Concussion Management and many others presented by national brain injury experts.
 - The cost of this conference is \$175 for Survivor and Family and \$350 for Professionals.
 - [More information](#) and [registration](#).
- ❖ **NEW Colorado Department of Education – Interventions to Improve Executive Function Skills**
- **October 17, 2014, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus, Aurora, CO**
 - Presented by the [Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado](#).
 - This training, presented by Sarah Ward, MS CCC-SLP, will provide information, materials, and practice with strategies and interventions to address executive functioning deficits for students of all ages. Colorado Educators will be able to identify these deficits and address them appropriately.
 - This training is done in partnership with the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus – Assistive Technology Partners (ATP)
 - There is no cost for this training and a working lunch will be provided.

- Distance locations will be broadcast in Colorado Springs, Grand Junction, Haxtun, Lamar, Pueblo, and Steamboat Springs.
 - [Click here to register](#)
- ❖ **NEW Applied Suicide Intervention Skills (ASIST)**
- **November 13-14, 2014, 8:30-4:30pm, Douglas County Sheriff's Office, 9250 Zotos Drive, Highlands Ranch**
 - Hosted by the [Douglas Arapahoe Suicide Prevention Alliance](#)
 - ASIST is a two-day workshop designed to teach skills to confidently intervene with someone at risk of suicide. ASIST is a standardized suicide intervention program developed by LivingWorks Education, Inc.
 - Attendance is mandatory for both full days.
 - The cost of this workshop is \$50 for community members and \$25 for DASPA members.
 - Click here for [more information](#)
 - [Register here](#)
- ❖ **NEW Brain Injury Summit: A Meeting of the Minds**
- **January 11-14, 2015, Vail Cascade, 1300 Westhaven Drive, Vail, CO**
 - Hosted by the [Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado](#) and [Craig Hospital](#).
 - This three-day conference will include presentations from brain injury experts from a variety of disciplines.
 - The four main goals of the summit are to examine clinical best practices, interpret current research findings, describe the impact of traumatic brain injury, and enhance communication within the network of traumatic brain injury service providers.
 - [Click here to register](#) and for [more information](#)

NATIONAL TRAININGS and EVENTS

- ❖ **3rd Annual Conference on ADHD and Executive Function: Research and Current Treatment Strategies**
- **September 5, 2014, Sheraton Station Square, Pittsburgh, PA**
 - Presented by the [UPMC Western Psychiatric Institute & Clinic](#), the [University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine](#), and the [Community Care Behavioral Health Organization](#).
 - The aim of this conference is to provide participants with a greater understanding of the multitude of issues surrounding the diagnosis and treatment of ADHD across the lifespan.
 - Keynote speaker Thomas Brown, Ph.D. will present on his newly published findings on ADHD and Emotions.
 - Afternoon workshops will be specifically geared towards clinicians, families of children with ADHD, and adults living with ADHD.
 - [More information](#) and [registration](#) (search on "ADHD")
- ❖ **National Prevention Network (NPN) Prevention Research Conference**
- **September 15-18, 2014, Hartford, CT**
 - Presented by the [National Prevention Network \(NPN\)](#), a component group of the [National Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Directors \(NASADAD\)](#)
 - State prevention directors together with representatives in territories, jurisdictions and tribes, will join together for a conference program that will highlight "CONNECTing Healthy Communities through Prevention Research and Practice." The purpose of the conference is to highlight and introduce evidence-based programs, innovations, practices and principles supporting high quality prevention programming.
 - [More information and registration](#)

❖ **Botvin LifeSkills Training – Training of the Trainer Workshop**

- **September 17-18, 2014, 8:00am-5:00pm, San Ramon Unified School District, San Ramon, CA**
- Presented by [Botvin LifeSkills Training](#).
- This two-day advanced training workshop teaches you how to deliver and conduct LST workshops for your organization.
- Training of the Trainer Workshops are available to those who have completed an LST Workshop and have implemented the program for at least one full semester.
- The cost for this training is \$1,070 per person and includes TOT Training Materials.
- [Registration](#) is required.

❖ **National Forum on Character Education: Beyond Accountability Inspiring Greatness**

- **October 30-November 2, 2014, Washington D.C.**
- Presented by [Character Education Partnership \(CEP\)](#)
- Topics to be covered include: character education, school safety, climate and culture, bullying prevention academic integration, character education and the Common Core, leadership, family and community involvement.
- Costs: Members \$450, Non-members \$550, Students \$225
- [Registration and information](#)

CURRENT GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

❖ **NEW School Health Professional Grant Program (SHPG)**

- **September 3, 2014, 2:00pm-3:00pm – Application Training Webinar**
- **September 24, 2014 – Application deadline.**
- Provided by the [Colorado Department of Education Office of Health and Wellness](#).
- This grant program intends to increase the availability of school-based prevention, early intervention and health care services and programs to reduce the risk of marijuana and other substance use and abuse by secondary school students.
- Approximately \$2.5 million is available for the 2014-2015 school year. This may include both in-kind and cash matches.
- To view the free application training webinar, email CompetitiveGrants@cde.state.co.us and login information will be sent to you.
- [Click here for further details.](#)

❖ **NEW 2A Funding Available to Support Comprehensive Out-of-School Time Programs**

- **September 4, 2014 by 3:00pm – Required Letter of Intent to Apply due.**
- **September 18, 2014, by 3:00pm – Deadline for Submission**
- Provided by the [Denver Office of Children's Affairs](#).
- The Office of Children's Affairs is seeking grant proposals to provide support for Denver Comprehensive Out-of-School Time (OST) Programs.
- Research shows that OST activities contribute significantly to students' educational success, including marked improvements in academic achievement, student engagement, school attendance, and social and emotional development.
- Funds must be used to support direct program services for school-age (K-12) children and youth during non-school hours.
- [Click here for Request for Proposal and Submission guidelines.](#)

- ❖ **NEW HealthyTomorrows Partnership for Children Program (HRSA-15-034)**
 - **October 14, 2014 – Submission deadline**
 - Provided by the [U.S. Department of Health and Human Services](#).
 - The goal of this program is to promote access to health care for children, youth and their families nationwide, and employ preventive health strategies through innovative community driven programs.
 - This program supports HRSA's goals to improve access to quality health care and services, to build healthy communities, and to improve health equity.
 - [Click here for details and application package](#).
- ❖ **NEW Lowe's Toolbox for Education Grant Program**
 - **October 15, 2014 by 11:59pm EST – Submission deadline**
 - Provided by [Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation](#).
 - In an effort to help build better schools and communities, the Lowe's Toolbox for Education program has provided over \$35 million to more than 8,000 schools across the country.
 - Lowe's is dedicated to helping your parent-teacher group achieve even more for your school. Funds can be used to increase parent involvement, build stronger community spirit, create new school traditions, or for whatever goals you have for your school.
 - [Click here for more information](#)
 - [How to Apply](#)
- ❖ **Safe Routes to School Grant Updates**
 - Provided by the [Colorado Department of Transportation](#).
 - Applications for 2015 SRTS Non-Infrastructure grants will be available soon. [Check online for future announcements](#).
 - SRTS will not be awarding Infrastructure grants this year. As an alternative, refer to [Transportation Alternatives Program Guidelines and Applications \(TAP\)](#). Contact CDOT Regions for regional due dates.
- ❖ **A Guide to Federal Education Programs That Can Fund K-12 Universal Prevention and Social and Emotional Learning Activities**
 - Provided by [The Center on Education Policy](#) and [The Center for Health and Healthcare in Schools](#).
 - This user-friendly guide highlights 15 federal elementary and secondary education programs where the statutory language or the regulations/guidance that accompanies a program appear to permit funds to be used to support universal prevention programs and social and emotional learning initiatives. The guide also provides examples of schools, districts, and state education agencies that have successfully supported their prevention programs with federal education dollars.
 - [Access the Guide](#)

RESOURCES and INFORMATION

Prevention Resources

- ❖ **NEW The Real Cost Campaign**
 - Launched by the [U.S. Food and Drug Administration \(FDA\)](#).
 - Every day in the U.S., more than 3,200 youth under age 18 smoke their first cigarette and more than 700 youth become daily smokers, highlighting the need for stronger, targeted youth tobacco prevention efforts.
 - To combat this issue, the FDA's first youth tobacco prevention campaign, "The Real Cost", targets at-risk youth aged 12-17 who are open to smoking or already experimenting with cigarettes.

- Free campaign materials are available on their website including fact sheets, posters, postcards, social media content, and ads for print, television, radio and websites.
 - [Click here to access the website](#)
- ❖ **NEW Changing Lives: Prevention and Intervention to Reduce Serious Offending**
- Released by the [Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention \(OJJDP\)](#) and the [National Institute of Justice \(NIJ\)](#).
 - This bulletin reviews effective programs that mitigate risk factors for delinquency and crime among juveniles and young adults to prevent future serious criminal behavior.
 - These programs are grouped by family, school, peers and community, individual, and employment.
 - This bulletin summarizes the final report from the NIJ Study Group on the Transitions From Juvenile Delinquency and Adult Crime.
 - [Access the bulletin](#)
- ❖ **NEW “Voices from the Field” Website Feature**
- Presented by the [National Center on Safe Supportive Learning Environments \(NCSSLE\)](#).
 - Voices from the Field is a new website feature where administrators, teachers/faculty, staff, community, and family members can share what they think , see what others think, share experiences, and see what experts think by readings posts that include references and related resources.`
 - [Access the website feature](#)
- ❖ **A New Colorado Prevention Resource - Our Remarkable Brain (ORBUS)©:**
- The results of the pilot study below using a human brain curriculum with students and parents, found that it was possible to strengthen continued prevention of alcohol and drug use, bullying conduct, and suicide attempt or completion. Directly post-program, and at 3 years post-program follow-up, none of the participants had initiated alcohol or drug use, bullying conduct, or suicide attempt or completion. There were no gender differences.
 - The breathtaking use of the human brain also provides parents and their children an unforgettable life and educational experience about peer pressure, and the importance of practicing healthy brain behaviors. The cooperative learning curriculum content and strategies are based on educational trials and comprehensive review of the professional literature. Parents, guardians, children, and observing professionals should find this unique program beneficial to promoting quality parent-child communication and healthy youth behavior.
 - For more information: <https://www.facebook.com/synapticYouth> or contact
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- ❖ **Implementation of Changes to the Clery Act Made by the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013 (VAWA)**
- Presented by the [National Center on Safe Supportive Learning Environments \(NCSSLE\)](#).
 - This document provides guidance to Institutions of Higher Education regarding their responsibility to comply with Section 485(f) (also known as the Clery Act) of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended by VAWA before final regulations are effective.
 - The statute requires institutions to compile statistics for incidents of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking, and to include certain policies, procedures and programs pertaining to these incidents in their annual security reports (ASRs).
 - [Access the Letter to Colleagues Regarding Implementation of Changes to Clery Act](#)

❖ **Suicidal Thoughts and Behaviors Among Detained Youth**

- The [Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention](#) has released “Suicidal Thoughts and Behaviors Among Detained Youth” as part of the OJJDP’s Beyond Detention series, which examines the findings of the [Northwestern Juvenile Project](#) – a large-scale longitudinal study of youth detained at the Cook County Juvenile Temporary Detention Center in Chicago, IL.
- This bulletin summarizes the study’s methods, findings, and implications of suicidal thoughts and behaviors among detained youth ages 10-18.
- The research signals the need for juvenile detention facilities to screen youth for suicide risk and increase psychiatric services.
- [Download the bulletin.](#)

❖ **American Red Cross First Aid Mobile App**

- The [American Red Cross](#) has released a First Aid mobile app with reminders of what to do for that unexpected snake bite, bee sting, broken bone, heart attack, burn, hypothermia, seizure, stroke, etc.
- The official American Red Cross First Aid app puts expert advice for everyday emergencies in your hand. Available for iPhone and Android devices, the official American Red Cross First Aid app gives you instant access to the information you need to know to handle the most common first aid emergencies. With videos, interactive quizzes and simple step-by-step advice it’s never been easier to know first aid.
- [More information and download instructions.](#)

❖ **Pedestrian Safety 2014 Resource Guide**

- The [Children’s Safety Network \(CSN\)](#) has produced this resource guide to provide a comprehensive, annotated list of resources for pedestrian safety.
- The resource guide is divided into eight sections: Data; Safe Routes to School; Pedestrian Safety for Preschoolers; Other Programs, Strategies and Campaigns; Program Planning, Implementation, and Evaluation; Policy; Research; and Distracted Walking. Each item in this resource guide includes a short description and a link to the resource itself. Descriptions of reports, guides, toolkits, campaigns, websites, and initiatives are excerpted from the publications themselves while research articles are excerpted from the article abstracts.
- You can download the guide by clicking [Pedestrian Safety Resource Guide](#)

Mitigation Resources

❖ **NEW KnowBullying App – Put the Power to Prevent Bullying in Your Hand**

- Provided by the [Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration \(SAMHSA\)](#).
- Parents and caregivers who spend at least 15 minutes a day talking with their child can build the foundation for a strong relationship, and help prevent bullying.
- KnowBullying, a new mobile app by SAMHSA, encourages dialogue between you and your children and helps you start a conversation. The app includes Conversation Starters, Tips, Warning Signs, Reminders, Social Media, and a Section for Educators.
- The app is available for Android and iPhone.
- This is a free resource for mobile devices provided by SAMHSA in conjunction with the StopBullying.gov Federal partnership.
- [Download information](#)

❖ **NEW Preparing and Responding to Cyberbullying: Tips for Law Enforcement**

- Provided by the [International Association of Chiefs of Police \(IACP\)](#) and the [National Center for Missing & Exploited Children \(NCMEC\)](#).
- This tip card provides more than 20 recommendations to help law enforcement address and investigate cyberbullying in their communities. This resource highlights information from experts in the fields of law enforcement, youth trauma, mental health, computer crimes, victim services and education.
- [Download the Tip Card](#)

Protection Resources

❖ **NEW 2014 National Preparedness Month Toolkit**

- Provided by the [National Preparedness Community \(FEMA\)](#).
- September is National Preparedness Month. This September's theme is "Be Disaster Aware, Take Action to Prepare".
- As we gear up to bring the community many great resources and tools for preparedness, get started planning your preparedness event and National Day of Action with this toolkit.
- [Download the NPM Toolkit](#).

❖ **NEW Report Highlighting National Summit on Law Enforcement Leadership in Juvenile Justice**

- Released by the [International Association of Chiefs of Police \(IACP\)](#).
- This report, entitled "**Law Enforcement's Leadership Role in Juvenile Justice Reform: Actionable Recommendations for Practice & Policy**", highlights 33 summit recommendations for law enforcement and juvenile justice stakeholders to address juvenile crime and develop more effective, developmentally appropriate responses to juvenile offenders and at-risk youth.
- [Download the report](#)

❖ **National Center for Campus Public Safety**

- The [National Center for Campus Public Safety](#) full website is currently under construction as of August 2014.
- The National Center will be a resource for campus police chiefs, directors of public safety, emergency managers and key campus safety stakeholders. With this in mind, the National Center will be a catalyst that brings together all forms of campus public safety, professional associations, advocacy organizations, community leaders, and others to improve and expand services to those who are charged with providing a safe environment on the campuses of the nation's colleges and universities.
- In March of 2013, Congress provided funding to the [Bureau of Justice Assistance \(BJA\)](#) for the creation of the National Center. In consultation with key stakeholders and federal partners, BJA developed a competitive solicitation and received proposals to create and host the National Center. Through this process, a cooperative agreement and subsequent funding were awarded to Margolis Healy and Associates, LLC in the fall of 2013.

Response & Recovery Resources

❖ **NEW Free Disaster Mobile App from SAMHSA**

- Provided by the [Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration \(SAMHSA\)](#).
- SAMHSA has designed the **Behavioral Health Disaster Response App** to meet the needs of disaster responders. It was developed with input from experts from across HHS, FEMA, American Red Cross and state health departments.

- This app helps those responders out in the field to share information with survivors of natural and human-caused disasters.
- [Download the free App](#)

❖ **NEW Working with Unaccompanied and Immigrant Minors**

- Provided by the [National Child Traumatic Stress Network \(NCTSN\)](#).
- Immigrant youth experience traumatic events related to war or persecution, abuse, trafficking, and violence which may affect their mental and physical health.
- This resource provides information on how to work with youth who have found their way into the U.S. without the presence of a caregiver.
- Resources include: Addressing the Needs of Border and Immigrant Youth, Refugee Services Toolkit, Understanding Child Traumatic Stress, and more.
- [Access the web source](#)

❖ **Recognizing When a Child's Injury or Illness Is Caused by Abuse**

- Published by the [Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention \(OJJDP\)](#).
- The guide provides information to help law enforcement differentiate between physical abuse and accidental injury during a child abuse investigation. The guide also identifies questions that law enforcement should address during an investigation, describes how to conduct a caretaker assessment when a child is injured, and highlights ways to work with the medical community to distinguish types of injuries and bruises.
- [Recognizing When a Child's Injury or Illness Is Caused by Abuse](#).

❖ **Out of the Shadows: A Tool for Identifying Victims of Human Trafficking**

- Published June 2014
- To make identifying trafficking victims easier—and subsequently, getting them the services and support they need while also generating evidence against their traffickers—[Vera Institute of Justice](#) created a screening tool to be used by victim service providers and law enforcement when faced with someone who may be a victim of human trafficking. The tool, a 30-topic questionnaire that was tested by service providers and validated by Vera researchers, is the result of a two-year study funded by the National Institute of Justice.
- [Improving Human Trafficking Victim Identification - Validation and Dissemination of a Screening Tool](#) (research report)
- [Out of the Shadows: A Tool for the Identification of Victims of Human Trafficking](#) (research summary)
- [Screening for Human Trafficking: Guidelines for Administering the Trafficking Victim Identification Tool \(TVIT\)](#)

❖ **Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHFA) Resource Guide**

- Presented by [Central Colorado AHEC](#) in partnership with AmeriCorps to provide Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHFA)
- The Mental Health First Aid USA Youth Curriculum is a public education program which introduces participants to the unique risk factors and warning signs of mental health problems in adolescents, builds understanding of the importance of early intervention, and most importantly – teaches individuals how to help an adolescent in crisis or experiencing a mental health challenge by making an appropriate referral.
- The Colorado School Safety Resource Center now offers Youth Mental Health First Aid as part of its trainings for Colorado schools and districts. For information regarding how to set up this valuable training in your school or community, please contact the CSSRC at (303) 239-4435. [Access the Resource Guide](#)

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