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CURRENT EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ Vacancy in the Prevention Services Division of the Department of Public Health and Environment

- School-Based Health Youth Engagement, Position #5068
- This position exists to provide leadership and expertise on youth engagement approaches, strategies, and tools for up to ten school-based health centers ([SBHCs](#)) in Colorado and to support the overall implementation of the School-Based Health Center Improvement Program (SHCIP).
- **Application deadline: Friday, April 13, 2012**
- [Learn more and apply](#)

COLORADO SCHOOL SAFETY CENTER TRAININGS

❖ Substance Abuse Symposium – Sponsored by Colorado Department of Education, Colorado Department of Human Services, and Colorado School Safety Resource Center

- **Fort Collins – Thursday, May 3, 2012, 8:00 am – 3:30 pm**
Fort Collins Marriott, 350 East Horsetooth Road, Fort Collins, CO 80525
- **Pueblo – Thursday, May 10, 2012, 8:00 am – 3:30 pm**
Pueblo Convention Center, 320 Central Main Street, Pueblo, CO 81003
- **Denver Metro Area – Save the Date: Thursday, September 27, 2012, 8:00 am – 3:30 pm **Registration is not yet open****
- **Featuring Special Guest Speaker: Paula Riggs, M.D.**

- **Who should attend:** school substance abuse prevention personnel, administrators, school health and mental health professionals, school safety teams, law enforcement officers, and community mental health personnel.
- **What:** Co-occurring substance use and psychiatric disorders, mental health issues and trauma, school based prevention and intervention, community based prevention and parent engagement, effective treatment and recovery support services, and more...
- **No charge for Colorado participants**, light breakfast and lunch provided. Space is limited and registration is required.
- See the [Substance Abuse Symposium Flyer](#) for more information.
- **Registration Instructions:** Please go to www.co.train.org. First set up a learner account and then register for the Symposium location and date using the **course ID** number: **1031923**. You will need Internet Explorer to register through the CO Train System. If you have questions or need assistance with registration, please contact the Colorado School Safety Resource Center at 303-239-4435.

OTHER COLORADO TRAININGS

❖ Hazard Based Collaboration and Resource Sharing Project (HCRS)

- In partnership with [Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment](#), [University of Colorado Center for Integrated Disaster Preparedness](#), and [Colorado Hospital Association](#)
- **April 2, 2012 in Denver and Lamar; April 3, 2012 in Colorado Springs and Pueblo; April 4, 2012 in Fort Morgan; April 10, 2012 in Alamosa; April 11, 2012 in Durango; April 12, 2012 in Montrose; April 13, 2012 in Glenwood Springs; 9:00 am – 4:00 pm**
- A community's response to and recovery from a disaster is only as good as its least prepared jurisdiction can manage. The most significant benefit of regional planning done well is that it improves the ability of any jurisdiction to address a disaster by developing those critical connections to "back-up" resources from regional partners.
- All representatives who have disaster preparedness responsibilities and their community partners are encouraged to attend this **free training**.
- [More information and registration](#)

❖ A Trauma-Informed Approach to Stop Sexual Harm by Youth

- Offered by the [Sex Offender Management Board](#) of the Division of Criminal Justice
- Presented by Joann Schladales, M.S., L.M.F.T.
- **Tuesday, April 3, 2012, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm**, PPA Event Center, 2105 Decatur Street, Denver, CO 80211
- This presentation provides a trauma-informed, family focused approach to stop sexual harm by youth. Positive youth development and sexual health create a foundation for optimizing research findings that contribute to individual, family and community safety. Resources for practical application across a full continuum of care are demonstrated.
- [More information and registration](#)

❖ Healthy Schools Summit

- **Wednesday, April 4, 2012 8:00 am – 3:30 pm**, Denver Downtown Sheraton, 1550 Court Place, Denver, CO 80202

- The [Colorado Legacy Foundation's](#) 3rd Annual Healthy Schools Summit brings together education and health stakeholders from across the state to focus on policies and best practices for creating, enhancing and maintaining healthy, safe and welcoming schools for all students. The Summit will include a Healthy School Champions' Recognition Breakfast to award selected schools for their best practices in adopting and implementing a coordinated approach to health and wellness strategies.
- [More information and registration](#)

❖ **Classroom Management and Effective Teaching of Children and Adolescents with Emotional and Behavioral Problems**

- **Thursday, April 5, 2012 8:00am – 2:30pm, Doubletree Hotel, 8773 Yates Drive, 80031**
- Many children have emotional or behavioral problems that present special challenges for teachers and others in school. This workshop will provide you with strategies to enhance learning, build self-esteem and control disruptive and otherwise troublesome behavior of students with emotional and behavioral problems.
- Cost: \$164.00
- For registration and more information, contact **HSC Workshops** at 602-674-0911 or info@hscseminars.org

❖ **Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month**

- Hosted by Coalition for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect
- **Thursday, April 19, 2012, 8:30am – 4:15pm**, Colorado Springs (specific location TBA)
- **Featuring Bruce D. Perry, MD, PhD** presenting "The Impact of Trauma on Child Development." Dr. Bruce D. Perry is the Senior Fellow of The ChildTrauma Academy, a not-for-profit organization based in Houston (www.ChildTrauma.org) and adjunct Professor in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at Northwestern University School of Medicine in Chicago.
- [Registration and more information](#)

❖ **Lunch Money: Serving Healthy School Food in a Sick Economy**

- **Free workshop on Thursday, April 19, 2012, 8:30-11:30am, Englewood CASE Boardroom**
- Presented by nationally sought-after consultant and expert in school meal reform, Kate Adamick, this workshop will change the way you look at school food. Adamick has worked closely with school districts and administrators all across the country, including in Colorado, to transform their school meal programs. Her strategies not only significantly improve the nutritional quality and taste of the food served, but also help districts save money and cut costs. This workshop offers you a chance to learn firsthand about the simple and practical strategies that can really make a difference in the food you serve everyday to students.
- For registration and [more information](#) please contact Leisa Sacry at **CASE** at lsacry@co-case.org or 303-762-8762

❖ **Asist**

- **Hosted by Douglas County School Districts: April 11-12, June 7-8, September 27-28, November 7-8, 2012, 7:30am-4:00pm**
- ASIST is a two-day, interactive program that teaches participants to recognize a person at-risk, help keep the person safe and help the person to seek help. www.livingworks.net

- Open to the community and are offered **free of charge**, thanks to the Douglas County School District, Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Douglas County Suicide Prevention Alliance, South Metro Out of the Darkness Community Walk, American Foundation for Suicide Prevention.
- [To register](#), create an account, log on, and select ASIST
- For more information, contact Renee Hoyt at rmhoyt@dcsdk12.org or 303-387-9500

❖ **South Metro Suicide Prevention Summit**

- **Wednesday, April 25, 2012, 1:00-4:00 pm, Jubilee Church, 9830 Lone Tree Parkway, Lone Tree, CO 80124**
- [Douglas County Suicide Prevention Alliance](#)
- Please join us for an opportunity to discuss gaps and barriers in suicide prevention within our communities. We will also share resources, programs and network with others working so hard to prevent suicide with the goal of coming up with new collaborative solutions.
- For more information and to register, please RSVP by April 16 to bbecker@admhn.org

❖ **League Cycling Instructor Seminar**

- **May 4-6, 2012**, at [Fort Collins Bicycle Co-op](#)
- Becoming a League Cycling Instructor (LCI) certified to teach Smart Cycling is a great way to help cyclists in your community. Certified instructors can teach Smart Cycling classes to children as well as adults. Help bring the joy of safe cycling to others. If you are an experienced cyclist and would like to teach others please consider taking the next step towards certification.
- [Registration](#)
- For more information, please contact Rick Price at 970-310-5238

❖ **Assessing & Managing Suicide Risk: Core Competencies for Mental Health Professionals**

- **Thursday, May 17, 2012, 8:30-5:00, Colorado State University**
- The [Bridging the Divide: Suicide Awareness & Prevention Summit](#) (May 18, 2012) is pleased to offer this one-day pre-conference workshop for mental health professionals on assessing suicide risk, planning treatment, and managing the on-going care of the at-risk client.
- Sponsored by the Institute of Applied Prevention Research at Colorado State University, the American Association of Suicidology, and the Suicide Prevention Resource Center.
- **Registration Deadline April 30, 2012**
- [More information and registration](#)

❖ **Bridging the Divide: Suicide Awareness and Prevention Summit**

- Mark your calendars for the fifth annual Bridging the Divide Summit. This year's conference is designed to highlight innovations in suicide prevention, intervention and postvention, and will offer programs and initiatives designed to reach people in all aspects of life – where we live, learn, work and play. Please join us on **May 18, 2012** to forge new partnerships and to bridge the divide between those in need and life saving programs, initiatives and services.
- **Where:** Colorado State University, Ft. Collins
- **For more information:** Office of Conference Services , 970-491-7501
 - **Program Questions:** Julie Gibbs, julie.gibbs@colostate.edu
- [Learn more about the Summit](#)

❖ Asist

- **Hosted by Littleton Public Schools: June 1-2, 2012**
- ASIST is a two-day, interactive program that teaches participant to recognize a person at-risk, help keep the person safe and help the person seeking help. www.livingworks.net
- Email Cathy Carr to register, ccarr@lps.k12.co.us
- Open to staff from other school districts and community organizations to attend **free of charge**, thanks to Littleton Public Schools.

❖ 2012 Tier 1 Intensive Training Workshop in the Think:Kids Approach: Working Successfully with Chronically Inflexible and Easily Frustrated Children and Adolescents

- **June 14-16, 8:30am-4:30pm, Regis University, 3333 Regis Blvd, Denver, 80221**
- The approach used is based upon the model described in the book, *Treating Explosive Kids: The Collaborative Problem Solving Approach*. Over the last eleven years, the model has been applied to children with a wide range of social, emotional, and behavioral challenges and in a wide range of settings: families, schools, and therapeutic facilities (including inpatient units, residential facilities, and juvenile detention facilities). The model has also been applied to "ordinary" kids as well as to adults.
- **Early Registration by April 16: \$450**
- **For more information and registration, please contact Averi Schaubman at averis2003@yahoo.com**

ONLINE TRAININGS

Courses

❖ Getting Serious: A Best Practice Approach to Bullying Prevention

- Presented by the [Partnership for Families and Children](#)
- This course provides an overview of bullying concepts and trends, highlights the links between school climate and bullying, and introduces best practices in bullying prevention.
- [More information](#)
- [Register for \\$99](#)

Webinars

❖ Creating Sustainable K-12 School Environmental Health Programs

- **Presented by Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP)**
- **Wednesday, April 4, 2012, 12:00 pm EDT**
- The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ([EPA](#)), in consultation with the [Department of Education](#), the [Department of Health and Human Services](#) and other relevant federal agencies have developed, and recently released, voluntary State K-12 School Environmental Health Program Guidelines for public comment.
- This webinar will give those working in, or closely with, schools an opportunity to provide feedback on EPA's K-12 Environmental Health Program Guidelines. Your feedback is essential in ensuring the goals set forth in the guidelines are attainable for states, tribes, and territories.
- [More information and registration](#)

CURRENT GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

❖ Expelled and At-Risk Student Services (EARSS) Grant Program

- **Applications due April 9, 2012**
- At the [Colorado Department of Education](#) (CDE)
- The program exists to assist school districts in meeting their statutory obligations to:
 1. Identify students at risk of suspension or expulsion and provide them with a plan to provide the necessary support services to help them avoid expulsion, and work with parents or guardians to provide the services. The district may provide services through agreements with appropriate local and state governmental agencies, community-based organizations, and institutions of higher education.
 2. Provide alternative educational services, agreed to by parents, to expelled students which may be provided directly or in cooperation with one or more other school districts, boards of cooperative services, charter schools, and non-public, non-parochial schools.
 3. Develop plans to assist habitual truants to remain in school and to work with families regarding their child's attendance.
- [Learn more and apply](#)

❖ Healthy Colorado School Districts Grant

- **Proposals due April 16, 2012, 5:00 pm**
- Provided by the [Colorado Legacy Foundation](#) and [Colorado Health Foundation](#)
- Seeking to improve: **Comprehensive Health Education, Nutrition, Physical Activity, School Health Services, and Workplace Wellness for students and/or staff.**
- The goal is to support measurable, sustainable and innovative approaches to health and wellness because of the clearly established link between healthy students and/or staff, positive school climate and improved academic outcomes. These outcomes include but are not limited to: increased learning readiness, school engagement, and academic performance; and decreased absenteeism, behavior issues, and truancy.
- [More information and application instructions](#)

❖ Mentoring Best Practices Research

- **Applications due May 1, 2012**
- Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention ([OJJDP](#)) will fund as many as six research studies to enhance help fill gaps in the knowledge about the effectiveness of mentoring as a prevention strategy for youth who are at risk of involvement or already involved in the juvenile justice system. OJJDP is also interested in research that will help identify the components of a mentoring program that have the greatest impact on risk factors known to lead to delinquency and/or increase in the incidence of juvenile delinquency and offending.
- [Learn more and apply](#)

❖ State Farm Youth Advisory Board National Grant Program

- **Applications due May 4, 2012, 5:00 pm Central Time**
- The Youth Advisory Board National Grant Program funds student-led service-learning projects. Specific areas of interest include natural and societal disasters, driver safety, environmental responsibility, accessing higher education/closing the achievement gap, and financial literacy.

- Grants range from \$25,000 to \$100,000.
- [More information and application instructions](#)

❖ **Field-Initiated Research and Evaluation Program**

- **Proposals due May 7, 2012**
- Provided by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention ([OJJDP](#))
- OJJDP will fund rigorous research and evaluation initiatives that will lead to the development of effective school programs, policies, and strategies to foster positive youth development and reduce the risk of victimization and delinquency.
- [Application instructions](#)

RESOURCES

❖ **Research and Statistics Resources**

- **Indicators of School Crime and Safety, 2011**
 - From the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Statistics ([BJS](#))
 - Provides data on crime and safety at school from the perspective of students, teachers, and principals. It also provides crime and safety information for students' travel to and from school. The report highlights the most current detailed statistical information on the nature of crime in schools and school environments and responses to violence and crime at school.
 - [Download the report](#)

❖ **Prevention Resources**

- **Bullying and Cyberbullying at Colleges and Universities**
 - From the [U.S. Department of Education's Higher Education Center for Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Violence Prevention](#)
 - The issue of bullying is different in higher education than K-12. Once students reach the age of 18, new protections regarding bullying behaviors are afforded to them by law. But in college, most of the behaviors are not typically labeled as bullying.
 - [Read the report](#)
- **Cell Phone Smart**
 - This public awareness campaign to promote cell phone safety among youth is a partnership between [INOBT](#) ("I Know Better"), a non-profit organization focused on educating kids through public awareness to keep them safe, and the [Internet Keep Safe Coalition](#) (iKeepSafe), a non-profit international alliance focused on teaching youth about using new media devices and platforms in safe and healthy ways.
 - Funding for this campaign comes from the [U.S. Department of Justice](#) and Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention ([OJJDP](#)).
 - [Visit Cell Phone Smart](#)
- **Jean M. Alberti Center for the Prevention of Bullying Abuse and School Violence**

- A generous gift from Jean Alberti has established the Dr. Jean M. Alberti Center for the Prevention of Bullying Abuse and School Violence at the [University of Buffalo, Graduate School of Education](#).
- The center will be a national resource on the prevention of bullying and other antisocial behaviors among school children, as well as provide research and information that address these behaviors.
- [Visit the Center](#)
- **Juvenile Justice Publications**
 - The [Technical Assistance Partnership for Child and Family Mental Health](#) (TA Partnership) has released three new publications to help communities meet the mental and behavioral health needs of youth in the juvenile justice system. These include:
 - [A Primer for Mental Health Practitioners Working With Youth Involved in the Juvenile Justice System](#) provides an overview for mental health practitioners working with youth involved in the juvenile justice system, emphasizing emerging research and practices.
 - [New Directions for Behavioral Health Funding and Implications for Youth Involved in the Juvenile Justice System](#) explores how different funding sources meet the behavioral health needs of youth involved in the juvenile justice system.
 - [Screening and Assessment in Juvenile Justice Systems: Identifying Mental Health Needs and Risk of Reoffending](#) explains why juvenile justice agencies and their partners must use screening and assessment tools for mental health needs and risk of reoffending when planning the most effective course of action for youth.
- **Office of National Drug Control Policy Marijuana Resource Center**
 - Marijuana is a topic of significant public discourse in the United States, and while many are familiar with the discussions, it is not always easy to find the latest, research-based information on marijuana to answer to the common questions about its health effects, or the differences between Federal and state laws concerning the drug.
 - This Web-based resource center provides the general public, community leaders, and other interested people with the facts, knowledge, and tools to better understand and address marijuana in their communities. This resource center will be regularly updated and expanded to address emerging issues, research, and prevention tools, and highlight successful local efforts to reduce marijuana use.
 - [Visit the Marijuana Resource Center](#)
- **Take Action to Protect Children**
 - The Attorney General's Defending Childhood Initiative has launched a new Web page to support professionals in their efforts to address children's exposure to violence. The Web page, "[Take Action To Protect Children](#)," provides online resources, tips, hotline numbers, and a personal call to action tailored for professionals in various fields who work with children who experience or witness violence. Attorney General Holder launched Defending Childhood in September 2010 to unify the [Department of Justice's](#) efforts to mitigate children's exposure to violence under one initiative.

❖ Legislative Resources

- [Education News Colorado Bill Tracker](#)

- The Bill Tracker includes bills directly affecting education plus budget, elections and other measures of interest to the education community.
- [Go to the Tracker](#)

THE CSSRC IS AVAILABLE to any Pre-K through higher education school to assist in your school safety planning. Our mission is to provide ***no cost consultation, resources, training and technical assistance*** that can help you create a safe, positive, and successful school. We can customize a variety of trainings for your school safety and crisis planning teams or your school staff as you plan and train this school year. We invite you to continue monitoring our website (www.safeschools.state.co.us) for the latest school safety information and upcoming trainings. **Call us at: 303-239-4435.**



Thank you for supporting safe and positive schools in Colorado!

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