



## **New Workshop: Trauma Responsive Restorative Communication- Advanced Restorative Practice Skill Workshop**

School professionals working with students, staff, and parents frequently encounter difficult situations that require a deeper understanding of language, the impact of trauma, and the dynamics of conflict. Restorative practices are much more than five simple questions. As a practitioner you need to:

- recognize the signs that a restorative practice is moving in the wrong direction and what to do in the moment to pivot the conversation to successful resolution
- understand how trauma impacts the body, brain and mind in conflict conversations
- utilize specific questions to enhance social emotional learning and develop the necessary trauma-aware interaction skills to instantly diffuse a trauma response and create safety and trust

Many of you attended the two-day Restorative Practices for Schools workshops sponsored by the Colorado School Safety Resource Center and featuring Kerri Schmitt as the trainer sometime in the last two years. Although grant funding has expired, we had such an overwhelming response to these seminars that Kerri has teamed up with Dr. Will Bledsoe to offer this latest workshop in their restorative practice series. Please bring your difficult situations so we can learn as a group how to more effectively use restorative communication.

**When:** Thursday, June 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 until 4:00  
**Registration and continental breakfast at 7:30**

**Where:** **Wheat Ridge Recreation Center**  
**4005 Kipling St, Wheat Ridge CO 80033**

**Cost:** **\$50.00 plus a nominal registration fee calculated based on your method of payment (<\$2.00).**

**Includes continental breakfast and boxed lunch.**

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[If you have any questions please contact the Colorado School Safety Resource Center @ 303-239-4435](tel:303-239-4435)



Kerri Quinn (Schmitt) holds a master's degree in Negotiation and Dispute Resolution from Creighton University School of Law. She works with schools and court systems to create alternative responses to disciplinary code infractions and juvenile crime. Her "Restorative Dialogue" program has been taught to over 1,000 educators and is the primary restorative justice curriculum used in the Dept. of Youth Corrections.

Will Bledsoe Ph.D. Will's approach to restorative communication has been called ground breaking by his peers. His emphasis on the neuro science of communication in trauma has been embraced by schools and organizations a necessary component in building relationship centered cultures.

