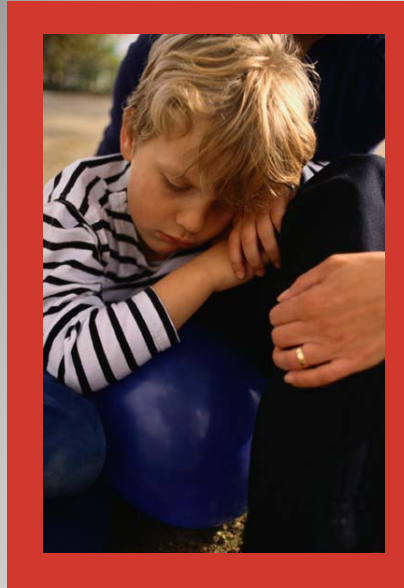


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The 15th Annual  
Northern New England Conference  
on Child Maltreatment



Continuing the tradition of  
state-of-the-art,  
practical, and evidence-based  
education for  
all professionals working  
with abused and neglected children

October 14-15, 2010  
Wyndham Portland Airport Hotel  
South Portland, Maine

### About Spurwink Services

In the 1960's, Spurwink developed what was a unique concept for that time - the treatment of troubled children within the community, rather than in institutional settings. The agency's first residential program served eight boys. This same residence is now one of over 60 treatment homes Spurwink operates for children, adolescents, and adults.

While residential treatment is a significant part of Spurwink's services, it is just one segment of the agency's comprehensive mental health programming. Over the years, our services have expanded to include a wide array of community-based programs designed to meet the unique, identified needs of each client.

With 900 caring and dedicated professionals in our employ, Spurwink has gained a reputation for excellence in evidence-based treatment and service delivery throughout New England and Canada. While we have experienced tremendous growth over the years, Spurwink's foundation has remained strong: provide a stable, emotional, and supportive environment that is the most effective in helping clients find their strengths, reach their full potential, and lead healthy and productive lives.

### About Spurwink's Child Abuse Program

Developed in response to the need for expert diagnostic and treatment services for Maine children who may have been abused, this clinical program provides medical, forensic interview, and psychological child abuse evaluations and treatment. Program staff have particular expertise in the assessment and treatment of children for abuse. The program's combination of individual and team services allows our clinical staff to choose the best mode of evaluation and treatment for every child and family.

During the past year, the Child Abuse Program provided services for several hundred children and adults. The main office is located at 17 Bishop Street in Portland. Phone: 1-800-260-6160 or 207-879-6160.

### Conference Goals

The goal of the Northern New England Conference on Child Maltreatment is to provide multi-disciplinary training to professionals who are involved in child abuse evaluations, investigations, prosecution, and treatment. Attendance at this conference is intended to increase professional skills and knowledge in the prevention, recognition, assessment and treatment of all forms of child maltreatment.

### **Audience**

The Northern New England Conference on Child Maltreatment is intended for a multi-disciplinary audience, including professionals from the fields of nursing, mental health, law, child welfare, law enforcement, child advocacy, emergency services, and medicine.

### **Registration**

The Conference registration form can be found in the back of this brochure. The registration fee includes entry to all sessions, speaker materials, daily continental breakfast, refreshment breaks, and certificates of attendance. Return completed registration form with payment information to:

Spurwink Services  
Attention: Janka Arsenault  
125 Presumpscot Street, #7  
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A confirmation letter will be sent to you prior to the Conference date. Questions? Call 207-321-6080 ext 111 or email: [jarsenault@spurwink.org](mailto:jarsenault@spurwink.org)

### **Cost**

In consideration of the economic downturn and the financial constraints of many agencies and providers, the entrance fee for this conference has only increased slightly in hopes that it will be affordable for all who wish to attend. The fee for two days' attendance is \$189; one day is \$99.

### **Continuing Education Credits and Contact Hours**

Spurwink Services is approved by the MMC to offer AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™ to participants of this conference. All participants will receive six contact hours per day. **Please note that any participant who attends less than 80 percent of a program each day will not receive a certificate of attendance. (NO exceptions will be made.)**

### **Refund and Cancellation Policy**

Participants who cancel their registration less than 10 business days prior to the conference will incur an administrative fee of \$25.

**NO REFUNDS** will be given if cancellation is less than seven business days prior to the conference.

### **Wyndham Portland Airport Hotel**

The Wyndham Portland Airport Hotel is conveniently located across from Maine's largest mall (the Maine Mall) at 363 Maine Mall Road in South Portland. For hotel reservations, call 207-775-6161.

## Thursday October 14th

8:00 Registration

8:55 Introduction: Lawrence R. Ricci, M.D.

9:00 [Secondary Traumatic Stress with Frank Putnam, MD](#)

This Session covers the range of potential reactions experienced by professionals working with survivors of trauma and abuse. It differs from 'job burnout' in critical ways. This presentation will cover the manifestations and effects of secondary traumatic stress on individuals and organizations involved in child welfare. Participants will learn about the ways in which they can care for themselves and what organizations and agencies can do to recognize and lessen the impact of secondary traumatic stress on individuals and institutions.

10:15 Break

10:30 [The Lasting Effects of Child Maltreatment and Family Dysfunction with Frank Putnam, MD](#)

A number of psychobiological systems involved in brain development and the regulation of critical stress hormone systems are adversely affected by early trauma and family dysfunction and contribute to negative health and social outcomes. This presentation will review research findings, and provide examples of negative life-time trajectories as well as cross-generation impacts.

11:45 Lunch (on your own)

1:00 [New Data on National Child Victimization and Child Social Indicator Trends with David Finkelhor, PhD](#)

This presentation will provide updated information on trends in child abuse and victimization, juvenile crime, and other child social indicators. The statistics highlight how children's safety and well-being have been changing over the past two decades.

2:15 Break

2:30 [Poly-victimization with David Finkelhor, PhD](#)

This presentation will introduce attendees to the concept of poly-victimization, of exposure to multiple forms of victimization during childhood. Findings show that: 1) experiencing many different forms of victimization is more highly related to trauma symptoms than experiencing repeated victimizations of a single type, and 2) exposure to multiple victimization substantially accounts for the effects of individual victimizations types.

## Friday October 15th

- 8:00 Registration
- 8:55 Introduction: Lawrence R. Ricci, M.D.
- 9:00 [Emotional Abuse with Victor Vieth, JD](#)  
This workshop will give an overview of the literature concerning emotional abuse of a child. With this literature as a backdrop, attendees will learn concrete methods for investigating these cases, including the interview of an emotionally abused child, and steps for proving these cases in court.
- 10:15 Break
- 10:30 [Assessing Allegations of Sexual Abuse in Pre or Non-verbal Children with Victor Vieth, JD](#)  
This dynamic workshop will explore how to prove sexual abuse in pre/non verbal children through combining brief statements from children with behavioral and brain research. The difficulties of substantiating abuse among preschool children will be explored and attendees will learn methods to overcome these obstacles and secure justice for more of these vulnerable children.
- 11:45 Lunch (on your own)
- 1:00 [Safe Sleep for Maine Children with Jen Hayman and Panel](#)  
Currently in Maine we are experiencing one unsafe-sleep related death per month; a review of all sleep-related deaths over a five year period has shown that 93% of those babies died in an unsafe sleep environment. The panel hopes to provide a review of trends in sleep related deaths in Maine and throughout the world, review death scene and medical examiner protocols for standardizing how infant deaths are coded and, most importantly, describe what members in the healthcare, police, and general communities can do to decrease sleep related infant death in Maine.
- 2:15 Break
- 2:30 [Shaken Baby Prevention in Maine with Larry Ricci, Kelley Bowden, and Jan Clarkin](#)  
This presentation will review the Maine's implementation of The Period of PURPLE Crying, a shaken baby prevention program. Maine's efforts have resulted in the most successfully implemented program in the United States. Successes and challenges will be reviewed particularly as to how this model might inform other child abuse prevention strategies in Maine and throughout the United States.

## The Speakers

[Kelley Bowden, MS, RN](#) is the Perinatal Outreach Nurse Educator at Maine Medical Center. Her duties have included 18 years working in the NICU, caring for premature babies and babies with birth defects, coordinating the neonatal transport team, and liaison with referring hospitals.

[Jan Clarkin](#) is the Executive Director of the Maine Children's Trust and Prevent Child Abuse Maine. The Trust is the statewide organization created by the Maine State Legislature whose mission is to prevent child abuse and neglect. She is a board member of the National Alliance of Children's Trusts and Prevention funds and chairs their national Public Policy Committee. She co-chairs Maine's Home Visiting Coalition, serves on Maine's Child Abuse Action Network, and is an active advocate for Child Abuse and Neglect prevention programming in Maine.

[David Finkelhor, PhD](#) is Director of Crimes against Children Research Center, Co-Director of the Family Research Laboratory, Professor of Sociology, and University Professor, at the University of New Hampshire. He has been studying the problems of child victimization, child maltreatment and family violence since 1977. He is well known for his conceptual and empirical work on the problem of child sexual abuse, reflected in publications such as Sourcebook on Child Sexual Abuse (Sage, 1986) and Nursery Crimes (Sage, 1988). He has also written about child homicide, missing and abducted children, children exposed to domestic and peer violence and other forms of family violence.

[Jen Hayman, MD](#) graduated in 2002 from the University of Wisconsin Medical School. She completed residency training and chief residency at The Barbara Bush Children's Hospital at Maine Medical Center. She is a Pediatric Hospitalist at The Barbara Bush Children's Hospital and an Assistant Professor of Pediatrics at the University of Vermont and at Tufts University. Her interest in safe infant sleep stems from caring for infants who have been harmed by or who had died in unsafe sleep environments.

[Frank W. Putnam, MD](#) is a Professor of Pediatrics and Child Psychiatry at Children's Hospital Medical Center, University of Cincinnati College of Medicine. In 1999, he became Director of the Mayerson Center for Safe and Healthy Children at Cincinnati Children's Hospital, which is dedicated to improving prevention, evaluation and treatment services for traumatized children and their families. The Center, which sees over 2000 children a year, has a strong research and training program focused on providing effective interventions for the complex, and often difficult, family situations associated with child abuse and neglect. Dr. Putnam is the author of over 165 scientific publications and two books on topics related to child abuse and neglect.

[Lawrence R. Ricci, MD](#) is a board certified child abuse pediatrician and co-director of the Spurwink Child Abuse Program.

[Victor Vieth, JD](#) serves as the Executive Director of the National Child Protection Training Center (NCPTC), a state of the art training complex located on the campus of Winona State University (WSU). NCPTC includes five moot court rooms, four forensic interview rooms and a "mock house" in which to conduct simulated child abuse investigations. NCPTC staff provides intensive instruction for undergraduate students and current professionals in the field on how to better recognize, react, and respond to children who are being abused. Victor has trained thousands of child-protection professionals from all 50 states, two U.S. Territories, and 17 countries on numerous topics pertaining to child abuse investigations, prosecutions and prevention.



**REGISTRATION FORM**

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**CONFERENCE COST:**  
\$189 for Both Days; \$99 for One Day  
A group of five or more people from the same organization registering at the same time for the full conference will receive a 10% discount.



I am signing up for:

- Both Days (10/14-15)
- Day One only (10/14)
- Day Two only (10/15)

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Directions and confirmation will be mailed upon receipt of completed registration



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