



Prevent Child Abuse
North Carolina

Enhancing Protective Factors to Prevent Violence and Strengthen Families

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Wake County Commons Building

4011 Cary Drive
Raleigh, NC 27610
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10:00 am – 4:30 pm
(Registration begins at 9:00 am)

In today's society multiple forms of violence are prevalent in families, homes, schools, and communities. These forms of violence can include Child Abuse, Intimate Partner, and Juvenile Crime, to mention a few. This training will provide participants with an understanding of the common roots of violence, the effects of its exposure on children and families, and how we can help strengthen families and communities by focusing on protective factors. In addition this one-day workshop will highlight the importance of early prevention and provide information about the prevention resources that are available in North Carolina.

“Addressing the Roots of Violence: How it's Reflected in our Families and Communities”

Sabrina Garcia, Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Specialist Advocate with the Chapel Hill Police Department, has dedicated many years to helping professionals and communities understand and address the problems that contribute to violence in our communities. She will discuss how aggression and problematic adult behavior are shaped by cultural norms and early life experiences. Sabrina will uncover the common roots of various areas of violence from family to societal. Together we will explore the common risk and protective factors that professionals must understand before successful prevention can be achieved. **Brandy Bynum** of Action for Children will provide supporting information to help participants understand what the current data says with regard to this important topic.

“A Conversation with our Youth: What We Really Think”

Alan Muriera, Program Coordinator of Second Round Boxing Program, will facilitate a youth panel discussion. Hear what young people have to say about their own experiences with violence, what is helpful to them, and how they view the roles of adults in prevention. This session will explore the successes and struggles of one prevention program in targeting “at risk” youth to prevent violent behavior before it occurs.

Round Tables

Attendees will have the opportunity to participate in a series of round table discussions facilitated by professionals implementing various prevention programs throughout the state of North Carolina. Participants will gain an understanding of how each program addresses the risk and protective factors discussed earlier in the training. Featured programs will include Wake County Big Brothers Big Sisters, NC 4-H Cooperative Extensions, Incredible Years Programs, Communities in Schools, and many more.

Registration Information:

The registration fee includes lunch, 5 contact hours of training, various training materials, and a resource packet. The training is approved for 0.5 CEUs (5 contact hours) through Greensboro AHEC.

To register please fill out the attached registration form or call 1-800-CHILDREN. You may also visit our web site www.preventchildabusenc.org to download a registration form.