

West Virginia's

Drug Endangered Children Conference



*Protecting our Children
Empowering our Communities*



**August 10-11, 2011
Charleston Marriott Town Center**

Sponsored by:
WV Prosecuting Attorneys Institute
WV Drug Endangered Children Task Force
WV Division of Justice and Community Services
WV Department of Health and Human Resources



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“The work we do for ourselves follows us to the grave. The work we do for our community lives on forever.”
~ Teddy Roosevelt

Course Description

Drug Endangered Children: Protecting Our Children; Empowering Our Communities is two day event providing pertinent information and training for professionals in West Virginia’s Drug Endangered Children (DEC) program. Included in the conference will be updates on new developments in law enforcement, prosecution, child protection, substance abuse, research, medical treatment and environmental health.

Who Should Attend

Law Enforcement, Child Protection Workers, Prosecutors, Medical Professionals, Mental Health Professionals, Treatment Providers, Courts, Probation/Parole, Corrections, Victim Advocates, Drug Court Personnel, Day Report, Teachers, CASA’s, Youth Workers, Paramedics, EMT’s, Hospital Social Workers, Foster Parents, and the faith community.

Conference Objectives

This educational offering will enable participants to:

1. Review key components of a DEC Program and provide an overview of the best practices for protection and treatment for drug endangered children throughout the State of West Virginia.
2. Increase awareness of resources available to respond to prescription drug abuse and the methamphetamine epidemic.
3. Understand the psychological and social effects on children who are exposed to illegal drug activity. Understand how to help children in at-risk environments to respond positively to treatment efforts.
4. Work with child protective services to better address the needs of children affected from drug endangered environments and train staff state-wide to ensure safety of children and workers in our communities.
5. Provide training to law enforcement on successful investigative techniques for narcotic cases.

For more information about the conference, contact:

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“There are only two lasting bequests we can hope to give our children. One of these is roots; the other wings.”

~ *William Hodding Carter, Jr.*



Lodging

Conference participants will need to make their own room reservations at the Charleston Marriott by calling the Marriott Reservation Line at 800-228-9290 or (304) 345-6500. Ask for the “Drug Endangered Children” room block. Reservations must be made by July 20, 2011 to guarantee the discounted group rate of \$95 per night. Hotel room rates are subject to state and local taxes.

Parking

The on-site parking fee at the Marriott is \$8 daily. You may park at the Charleston Town Center Mall directly across the street for a fee of \$1.75 daily.

Continuing Education Credits

Continuing Education Units (CEUs) will be requested for the following disciplines:

- Attorneys
- The Law Enforcement Training Subcommittee
- WV Board of Social Work Examiners
- WV Certification Board for Addiction & Prevention Professionals
- WV Board of Examiners in Counseling
- WV Nursing Board
- Domestic Violence
- Corrections

Exhibit Information

If you are interested in exhibiting at the 2011 Drug Endangered Children Conference, please contact Andrea Darr at 304-558-3348 or by email at Andrea.LDarr@wv.gov. There is no cost to exhibit but the conference is limited to 20 exhibitors.

“When children grow up in violent homes, they must find a way to preserve a sense of trust in people who are untrustworthy, safety in a situation that is unsafe, control in a situation that is terrifyingly unpredictable, power in a situation of helplessness.”

- *Dr. Judith Herman*



“We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.”

~ *Winston Churchill*

Faculty

Dr. Byron C. Calhoun, MD, FACOG, FACS, MBA is a 1979 Distinguished Graduate of the United States Air Force Academy and graduated from the University of Iowa Medical School with an MD in 1983. Dr Calhoun completed his residency in OB/GYN at the University of Missouri-Columbia in 1987 and finished a Fellowship in Maternal-Fetal Medicine at the Oregon Health Sciences University in 1989. Calhoun is diplomate board certified by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology in general Obstetrics and Gynecology and in the sub-specialty of Maternal-Fetal Medicine. He has authored 68 peer review articles in the obstetric and gynecologic literature, presented over 100 scientific papers, participated in over 40 research projects, and has published numerous articles on substance abuse and tobacco in obstetrics and gynecology.

Jim Harris received his Bachelor of Social Work degree from Morehead State University, and his Master of Social Work degree in Clinical Social Work from the University of Kentucky. He completed his Education Specialist degree with an emphasis in curriculum and instruction at Marshall University. He's also working on his Doctoral degree from Marshall University focusing on childhood behavioral disorders. He is a Licensed Independent Social Worker Supervisor (LISW-S) in the state of Ohio, and Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker (LICSW) in the state of West Virginia. He is currently in private practice at Oasis Behavioral Health Services located in Barboursville, West Virginia and owns his own consulting company named Opportunities Consulting Services, LLC. Jim is also an adjunct faculty member at Marshall University and Ohio University.

Brandon Lewis holds a B.S. Degree in Chemistry from West Virginia State University. Over a decade ago, he began his professional career with the West Virginia State Police Drug Identification Section. While with the State Police, Brandon received specialized training in Methamphetamine Lab Response and Evidence Analysis. In 2004, Brandon transferred to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner - first assigned to the Toxicology Unit, then assigned to the Forensic Investigation Unit. May 2008, he began his current position as Program Coordinator of the newly formed Clandestine Drug Laboratory Remediation Program located within the Office of Environmental Health Services. Brandon is the Chair of two committees within the West Virginia Public Health Association. He is also a member of the West Virginia Drug Endangered Children Task Force, the Clandestine Drug Laboratory Investigator's Association, and the National Alliance for Drug Endangered Children.

Commander Lori Moriarty (retired) began her career in law enforcement in Colorado with the Thornton Police Department in October of 1987 where she held numerous positions to include a child abuse investigator. From 2000-2006 she was assigned as the Commander of the North Metro Task Force, which is a multi-jurisdictional undercover drug unit in Adams and Broomfield Counties, just north of Denver, Colorado. In that position Cmdr. Moriarty was instrumental in implementing protocols for the safe investigation of methamphetamine labs and undercover drug operations. She has appeared on ABC News 20/20, Fox National News, MSNBC, CNN, National Public Radio, Colorado Public Radio and PBS, in an effort to educate citizens of the hazards of methamphetamine drug labs, marijuana grow operations and other illicit drug activity, and the effects on the children living in these dangerous drug environments. For the last four years Cmdr. Moriarty has helped with the growth and development of the National Alliance for Drug Endangered Children a non-profit organization that was established out of a grass roots movement, where she is currently the Senior Vice President of Education and Outreach.



“I don’t believe we can have justice without caring, or caring without justice. These are inseparable aspects of life and work.” ~ *Justine Wise Polier*

Faculty

Lieutenant Eric Nation began his career in law enforcement in the State of Iowa with the Jasper County Sheriff’s Office in 1995 where he has held numerous positions. From 1996-2002 he was assigned to an undercover narcotics unit in Polk, Dallas, and Jasper Counties in Central Iowa. In that position Lt. Nation worked in an undercover capacity by purchasing illegal narcotics and also investigating narcotics cases. From 2007-current he has been assigned as the Commander of the Mid Iowa Narcotics Enforcement Taskforce – Eastside, which is a multi-jurisdictional undercover narcotics unit in Central Iowa. While in this position, Lt. Nation has served as the supervisor of the Mid Iowa Narcotics Enforcement Taskforce meth lab team and supervised numerous methamphetamine lab investigations and undercover narcotics investigations.

Michael G. O’Neil received his Doctor of Pharmacy from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, NC. Before joining the University of Charleston School of Pharmacy in May 2007, he was a Critical Care Pharmacy Specialist for 19 years, with the last 12 years in the state of West Virginia. Dr O’Neil has worked as a specialist in pain management. Dr. O’Neil has developed and implemented a variety of clinical pharmacy services including the “Prevention Clinic” at the University of Charleston School of Pharmacy. For more than 16 years, Dr. O’Neil has served as consultant and expert witness for the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA), as well as several local law enforcement agencies. He also is a consultant for the West Virginia Bureau of Criminal Investigation (WVBCI) and the West Virginia Board of Dental Examiners. Dr. O’Neil currently serves as the Executive Director for the West Virginia Pharmacist Recovery Network (WVPRN). Dr. O’Neil is currently the Chair of the West Virginia Controlled Substance Advisory Board.

Elaine Secrist began as a volunteer at Rea of Hope Fellowship Home before the doors were opened to residents in 2005. Elaine states that she was so excited about the concept of helping women in recovery that she **had** to be a part of Charleston’s first Fellowship Home for women. Volunteering soon turned into office work, weekend relief, and finally as Rea of Hope grew, a permanent position became available. Elaine was hired as Program Coordinator on July 1, 2006 and has had the privilege of watching Rea of Hope’s growth and expansion to the New Life Apartments. Elaine attended Clemson University and Mountain State University where she received her degree in Legal Studies. Elaine is married, the mother of four, and currently resides in Fayette County with her husband, B.B., and youngest son Blade. Her personal understanding of addiction, her paralegal skills, and devotion to Rea of Hope are just a few of her many attributes.

Ed Shemelya (Ret. Commander Kentucky State Police) is a 30 year veteran of the Kentucky State Police and is currently the Eastern Region Marijuana Coordinator for the Office of National Drug Control Policy’s Appalachia HIDTA. Shemelya began his law enforcement career in 1979, where he worked patrol, general investigations and narcotics within the Pikeville Post of the KSP. Promoted to Sergeant in 1985 and Lieutenant in 1988 he served the agency in many capacities from Internal Affairs, R&D, and as commander of the State Police first full – time Special Response Team. In 2003 he was appointed Commander of the Kentucky Governor’s Marijuana Strike Force and the Kentucky Eradication Initiative, within the AHIDTA. This multi-agency task force comprised of Federal, State and Local agencies is tasked with fighting Kentucky’s outdoor and indoor marijuana problem. During his six years as commander the Kentucky Eradication Task Force was recognized as the most outstanding eradication Task Force in the nation for four consecutive years by the Office of National Drug Control Policy.



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AGENDA

Wednesday, August 10, 2011

12:00 pm - 5:00 pm **Registration and Information**

Conference Breakout Sessions: This year, the conference will start with breakout sessions for either first responders or professionals who work in case management. The purpose of this is to have a foundation level of information and/or review before we go into more advanced content on day 2. Choose from one of the following courses:

1:30 pm - 5:00 pm **Core DEC Investigations**
Presented by Lori Moriarty

The intent of the Core DEC Training is to explain the vital roles National DEC and State DEC Alliances play in encouraging local communities to adopt consistent response practices when working Drug Endangered Children cases. It also addresses the complex issues associated with forming a sustained DEC response and promotes a collaborative model that aims for social change.

This workshop will highlight components of working a DEC case, history and evolution of the DEC movement, children at risk, short and long term needs of Drug Endangered Children, and collaborative mindset as the ideal solution to working these cases.

1:30 pm - 5:00 pm **Substance Exposed Infants and Toddlers**
Presented by Jim Harris

This presentation will cover basic issues on substance exposed infants and toddlers for professionals working in DEC cases but not necessarily on a first responder perspective. Topics covered will include addiction, exposure to drugs, attachment disorders, trauma, red flags to look for, and how you can help.

5:00 **Adjourn**

“A hundred years from now it will not matter what my bank account was, the sort of house I lived in, or the kind of car I drove . . . But the world may be different because I was important in the life of a child.”

~Forest E. Witcraft



AGENDA

Thursday, August 11, 2011

- 8:30 am - 10:00 am **Opening and Welcoming Remarks**
No Child Left Behind
Lt. Eric Nations, Jasper County Sheriff's Office
Mid Iowa Narcotics Enforcement Task Force
- 10:00 am - 10:15 am **BREAK**
- 10:15 am - 11:45 PM **Break Out Sessions**
1. Marijuana Grows: Environmental Impacts
Ed Shemelya, Eastern Regional Marijuana Coordinator
Appalachia HIDTA
2. Understanding the Current Designer Drug Crisis: Incense and Bath Salts
Dr. Michael O'Neil, UC School of Pharmacy
3. The Impact of Methamphetamine and Prescription Drug Prenatal Exposure
Dr. Brian Calhoun, WVU School of Medicine
- 11:45 am - 1:15 pm **LUNCH (on your own)**
- 1:15 pm - 2:45 pm **Break Out Sessions**
1. Drug Identification
Lt. Eric Nation, Mid Iowa Narcotics Enforcement Task Force
2. The Public Health Approach to the Meth Lab Epidemic
Brandon Lewis, WV BPH, Clan Lab Remediation Program
3. The Basics of Investigating a Possible Drug Related Death or Injury of a Child
Dr. Michael O'Neil, UC School of Pharmacy
- 2:45 pm - 3:00 pm **BREAK**
- 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm **How to Communicate with Mothers who are Using**
Elaine Secrist, Haley Herron, and Amanda Deitz
Rea of Hope Fellowship Home
- 5:00 **Adjourn**
Have a safe trip home.

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REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete the registration form using the name/title/agency as it is to appear on the attendance certificate.

First Name:	Last Name:
Title:	
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Address:	
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Email: (receipt/confirmation will be sent via email, please print clearly)	
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Registration & Payments: The conference registration fee is \$40. After July 31st, the late registration fee is \$65. Make checks payable to "WV PAA"

Mail completed registration form and payment to:

2011 DEC Conference
c/o Ariana Kincaid
Kanawha County Prosecutors Office
300 Virginia Street East
Charleston, WV 25301

Questions? For questions and concerns about the registration process, please contact Pam Schafer at 304-558-3348 or via email at Mary.P.Schafer@wv.gov

Cancellations: No refunds will be given for "no shows" or cancellations. If you must cancel your conference registration, please contact Pam immediately. Registration fees are NON-REFUNDABLE, but may be transferred to another individual within your agency.