# Child Abuse Symposium

**FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 2015 AT VILLA RAGUSA, CAMPBELL**

35 South 2nd Street, Campbell, CA 95008

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## MORNING PROGRAM

The Child Abuse Council of Santa Clara County presents the 33rd annual Child Abuse Symposium at a new location - Villa Ragusa in downtown Campbell! Explore new perspectives about child abuse prevention, deepen your knowledge of current events, and network with other local professionals who are engaged in child welfare. You’ll hear perspectives from a diverse body of professionals — academicians, lawyers, doctors, mental health practitioners, social workers, law enforcement, and leaders in the non-profit field.

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<td>Welcome Remarks by Chair of the Child Abuse Council, Greg Zieman</td>
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<td>Inspirational Speaker: Veronica Toscano &lt;br&gt; Introduction Margaret Petros, Chair of the Symposium Committee</td>
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<td>9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.</td>
<td><strong>Keynote: Adverse Childhood Experiences: The ACE Study and Its Implications</strong>&lt;br&gt; <strong>Dr. Randall Alexander, Chief, Division of Child Protection and Forensic Pediatrics, University of Florida</strong>&lt;br&gt; Dr. Alexander is the Statewide Medical Director of the Child Protection Team and Chief of the Division of Child Protection and Forensic Pediatrics at the University of Florida. He has been involved in child abuse prevention nationally. Dr. Alexander serves on the International Advisory Board for the National Center on Shaken Baby Syndrome. He has been on the committee on Child Abuse and Neglect for the American Academy of Pediatrics and the boards of the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children (APSAC) and Prevent Child Abuse America. He has served on Death Review Committees in Iowa, Georgia and Florida. He is a member of the Board for the International Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (ISPCAN).</td>
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<td><strong>Plenary Session: International Human Rights and Juvenile Justice in California</strong>&lt;br&gt; <strong>Speaker: William T. Armaline, Ph.D., Director of Human Rights, Associate Professor, Department of Justice Studies, San Jose State University</strong>&lt;br&gt; This session will focus on the recent reporting of the U.S. under the Convention Against Torture and the broader Universal Periodic Review. This will include an overview of the international debate over U.S. practice, and its effect on addressing social problems within the dependency and delinquency systems.</td>
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<td>11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.</td>
<td><strong>Plenary Session: The World’s Children Trafficked Under Our Noses - Local Problems and Local Solutions to an International Outrage</strong>&lt;br&gt; <strong>Moderated by: James Gibbons-Shapiro, Assistant District Attorney</strong>&lt;br&gt; With a growing sense of urgency, our community has begun to address the problem of human trafficking of children. This panel will explore how children are sexually exploited for commercial gain in our community, what we are doing to address it, and what challenges we face. &lt;br&gt; Panelists: Monique Thomas, Supervisor at Freedom House; Paola Estanislao, Human Trafficking Prosecutor; Kyle Oki, Human Trafficking Detective; and Cynde Elkins, Resource and Intensive Service Committee (RISC) Placement Coordinator</td>
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<td>12:15 - 1:15 p.m.</td>
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| 1:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. | Workshop A1: Unaccompanied Refugee and Immigrant Children from Mexico and Central America  
Moderated by Jennifer Kelleher Cloyd, Directing Attorney, Legal Advocates for Children & Youth (LACY), a program of the Law Foundation of Silicon Valley  
Nearly 70,000 child migrants were caught crossing the U.S. border without parents or guardians in 2014. President Obama has described this “surge” of undocumented minors - most of them escaping trauma and violence in Mexico and Central America - as an “urgent humanitarian situation.” How do they embark on the journey to the U.S? What happens to migrant children when they are apprehended by the border patrol? How are local service providers and authorities handling the unaccompanied minors who find their way to the Bay Area? What challenges are these young people facing in their home countries and here in the U.S.?  
Panelists: Jennifer Kelleher Cloyd, LACY; Helen Beasley, Community Legal Services of East Palo Alto (CLSEPA); Erin Maxwell, Legal Services for Children; and Nira Singh, Catholic Charities |
| 1:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. | Workshop A2: Psychotropic Medication and Foster Kids: Too Much or Too Little?  
Dr. John Stirling, Medical Director, Center for Child Protection, Santa Clara Valley Medical Center  
Children in foster care consume psychotropic medications at a rate far higher than their age group peers, including stimulants, antidepressants and mood stabilizers, often in combination. Though the foster population clearly suffers from higher rates of mental illness, the wisdom of using medications so freely in this population has been called into question by both child welfare professionals and the lay press. This talk explores the controversy, analyzing the statistics on medication use and mental illness prevalence in this sensitive group. |
| 2:45 pm - 3:00 p.m. | Networking Break and Afternoon Refreshments |
| 3:00 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. | Workshop B1: NEWS FLASH: Teenager found deceased, circumstances unclear at this time……case to be reviewed by the Child Death Review Team….  
Moderated by Dr. Michelle Jorden, Chair of the Child Death Review Team (CDRT)  
At the end of this session, the audience will have gained a better appreciation of how child/teenage suicide is rendered in Santa Clara County. The case to be examined will place emphasis on the death review process performed by the CDRT and include discussion by the various distinguished experts on the team/panel about the suicide death and ultimately how the child death is classified for the state level.  
Panelists: Jonathan Weinberg, MSW - Department of Family & Children's Services, Santa Clara County; Evelyn Castillo Tirumalai, MPH - Suicide Prevention Coordinator, Santa Clara County Behavioral Health Services; Saul Wasserman, MD – Child psychiatrist; Margaret Ledesma, LCSW – Hospital Liaison, Santa Clara County Mental Health Department; Lt. Michael Kihmm - San Jose Police Department; Rosa Vega - Medical Examiner Investigator, Coroner's Office; and District Attorney representative, Santa Clara County |
| 3:00 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. | Workshop B2: Preventing Burn Out: Self Care for Service Providers  
Moderated by Nicole Steward, MSW, RYT  
Have you considered leaving your current profession because you feel exhausted or overwhelmed? In this session, participants will learn about vicarious trauma and how it impacts our professional and personal lives. Participants will also learn a few simple ways to keep burn-out at bay, including yoga, meditation, and breathing exercises.  
Panelists: Mary Lynn Fitton, RN and Founder of Art of Yoga Project; Robin Rivera, MA, RYT, Survivor and Yoga Instructor; and TBD |
| 4:15 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. | General Certificates of Completion available in lobby |

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