

# Utah Children's Justice Symposium 2018

## 2018 Symposium Agenda

Wednesday, May 16, 2018

10:00 am – 6:00 pm

Registration and Information

Symposium Registration Table, Cliff Lodge Ballroom Lobby

12:00 Noon – 2:00 pm

Cliff Lodge Ballroom

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Keynote

**Summoned: Why This Is More Than Just a Job**

***Kevin McNeil***

Detective Kevin McNeil presents a motivating and compelling presentation on why helping abuse victims is more than just a job, it is a calling. This presentation highlights why your job is more than just something you get paid to do but is also a unique call to service. It focuses on the importance of providing a friendly supportive environment, such as the child advocacy center, where victims can feel safe talking about their abuse. Detective McNeil emphasizes why the effort to end abuse must be a team effort and suggests the people who do this work are part of a unique team that has been summoned to rid the earth of its greatest enemy – abuse. Detective McNeil explains why caring for victims of abuse is a calling and proposes that you have been officially summoned to join the world's greatest team – those who serve abuse victims. Consider yourself served.

Announcements

***Tracey Tabet***, Utah Children's Justice Center Program

2:00 pm – 2:15 pm

***Break***

2:15 pm - 3:45 pm

**Breakout Session 1**

1. ***Kevin McNeil***

**Investigating Child Sex Crimes: Why Your Involvement Matters**

This presentation will highlight important details that help investigators make a solid case against sex offenders. This interactive workshop will also identify some common mistakes made by investigators during case development. The participants will also discuss their roles in the investigative process and why their roles matter. Participants

will leave with: 1) an understanding of how police departments investigate sex/abuse crimes, 2) additional insight into the mindset of the average investigator and how this mindset can hinder investigations, 3) an understanding of the different roles of professionals involved in a sex crimes investigation, and 4) a clearer understanding of why collaboration matters.

2. **Craig Johnson,  
Toni Laskey,  
Sarah Houser and  
Brandon Christiansen**

**Opening the Black Boxes: A Case Study of the Criminal Justice System  
Part 1**

From the time a 911 call is made until the final jury verdict, there are many complicated processes that occur, all with their own specialized language and idiosyncrasies of how things work best. This two-part multidisciplinary panel presentation will try to open the black boxes of the systems that a victim interacts with along their journey. We will talk about what each professional's role is in the process, explain why things happen the way they do and decode some of the language they use to communicate with each other and the other members of a multidisciplinary team. We will discuss both sexual abuse and physical abuse cases. **Part 1 of this presentation will focus on the initial discovery and management of a case, including a first responder's role, the medical system and CPS.** (Part 2 presented in BO #2)

3. **Clint Heiner**

**How old is too old? - Statute of Limitations and what you need to know**

This presentation will discuss the ever-evolving and elusive topic of "how old is too old?" with an emphasis on a complete break down of the Statute of Limitations regarding crimes committed against children.

4. **Lillian Tsosie-Jensen and  
Deondra Brown**

**Creating a Shared Vision for Trauma Informed Practices**

Childhood trauma can have a direct, immediate, and potentially overwhelming impact on the ability of a child to learn. We all have an important role to play in providing stability and a safe space for children and connecting them to caring adults. Learn how staff can change methods of interacting and responding to children impacted by trauma. A paradigm shift is needed to recognize, understand and address the impact of trauma on the individual, schools and families. This workshop will address shaping school culture, practices and policies to be sensitive to the needs of traumatized learners and the life-trajectory of vulnerable students.

5. **Krystal Hazlett,  
Steven O'Camb and  
Lauren Devries**

**SAKI: Sexual Assault Kit Initiative**

Introduction and overview of the Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI) statewide project. How Utah's 2700 unsubmitted sexual assault kits are being processed, investigated and adjudicated. Topics to be covered: HB 200, Sexual Assault Kit Tracking system, mandatory kit submission beginning July 1, 2018, cold case victim notification, CODIS, multi-disciplinary case reviews, and sustainability.

6. **(TBD)**

**Special Session: Friends Board Session – Part 1**

(Details to follow.)

3:45 pm – 4:00 pm

**Break**

**4:00 pm – 5:30 pm**

**Breakout Session 2**

1. **Bill Carson**

**Men Who Molest Boys: Perhaps the Most Persistent of Child Molesters**

Former FBI profiler and noted author Kenneth Lanning wrote that "men sexually attracted to young adolescent boys are the most persistent and prolific child molesters known to the criminal justice system." Studies have shown that male-target pedophiles may have significantly more victims over the course of their lifetime, as well as higher

recidivism rates when compared to female-target offenders. This workshop will take a closer look at men who are sexually attracted to boys. The presentation is based, in part, on a series of prison interviews conducted by the presenter with more than 75 convicted child molesters, but it will also touch on other more extensive research involving larger groups of offenders.

2. **Craig Johnson,  
Toni Laskey,  
Sarah Houser and  
Brandon Christiansen**      *Opening the Black Boxes: A Case Study of the Criminal Justice System  
Part 2*  
*Part 2 of this presentation will focus on the investigation and prosecution of the case as well as the role of counseling and therapy. (See session description under BO#1) (Part 1 presented in Breakout Session #1)*
  
3. **Michelle Busch-Upwall**      *Predators, Sexting & Apps: The Dark Side of Technology*  
This presentation addresses the two faces of technology: one side displays what is good while the other shows the dark side. This includes social networks, photo sharing, apps, and the variety of ways people communicate with friends, family, and sometimes online predators. Come ready to think about how technology has changed over time - from how today's parents grew up back then versus how today's teens are growing up now. Learn how to drive safely on the Internet highway.
  
4. **Kristine Campbell,  
Tonya Myrup and  
Lina Svedin**      *Stronger Together: Interdisciplinary Collaboration and Child Protection*  
Child abuse and neglect has been described as a "wicked problem." Wicked problems are defined as those problems that have no definitive formulation, no clear stopping point, and no solution that is definitively good or bad--just better or worse. A critical characteristic of wicked problems is interdependence, in which multiple stakeholders may hold competing or contradictory priorities in defining a solution to the problem. Interdisciplinary collaboration is considered a critical component in overcoming wicked problems. The session presenters represent a recently formed interdisciplinary research team, and include a public policy scholar, a child abuse pediatrician, and the Deputy Director of a state child welfare agency. This team is conducting three research projects examining collaborative practices in child protection at both national and state levels.
  
5. **Brian Groves and  
Troy Liquin**      *Active Shooter / Workplace Violence*  
This training is specific to non-law enforcement personnel who deal with high risk clients in office or community settings. Recent history shows there have been an increasing number of Active Shooter and Workplace Violence incidents. This training is designed to increase situational awareness and instill a sense of security within the workplace. The participants will learn to develop realistic emergency/evacuation plans that are relevant to their work space, their individual actions/response, and understand the law enforcement response and role to these situations.
  
6. **(TBD)**      *Special Session: Friends Board Session – Part 2*  
(Details to follow.)

## Thursday, May 17, 2018

7:00 am – 8:15 am  
Cliff Lodge Ballroom

### Breakfast

(Provided for registered Symposium Participants and guests with tickets)

7:30 am – 5:30 pm

### Registration and Information

Symposium Registration Table, Cliff Lodge Ballroom Lobby

8:30 am – 10:30 am

Cliff Lodge Ballroom

## Keynote

### Asking Child Witnesses About Adult Influences

#### **Tom Lyon**

Whether or how much another person has influenced or contaminated a child's disclosure is often an issue that is hotly debated. Did someone encourage the child to falsely make an allegation? Did someone warn the child to keep quiet about something that really happened? Did someone simply encourage the child to tell the truth but due to the types of questions asked there is a misinterpretation that the conversation was more leading? Tom will discuss the relevant research. Suggestions will be provided to interviewers about how to inquire about adult influences on children's abuse reports as illustrated through video clips of interviews.

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## Award Ceremony

Utah's Children's Justice Center Program MDT Award  
Rocky Rognlie Memorial Training Scholarship Awards

10:30 am – 10:45 am

## **Break**

10:45 am – 12:15 pm

## Breakout Session 3

1. **Tom Lyon and Heather Stewart**  
Cliff Lodge Ballroom

### Beyond Tell Me More: New Directives in Forensic Interviewing – Part 1

We will explore interviewers' options when the standard open-ended invitations do not provide enough information. We'll discuss feelings, clothing placement, and abuse frequency and timing. The current research on these topics will be reviewed and practical suggestions will be offered, using excerpts from forensic interviews. Participants will be provided with specific directive questions that have proven to be both more productive and less risky than **yes/no** and **forced-choice** questions.

**ATTENDANCE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED FOR PROSECUTORS AND FORENSIC INTERVIEWERS** - - - *The Utah NICHD-Based Forensic Interview Curriculum and Interview Guidelines have changed significantly, and this presentation will reflect and support those changes.*

2. **Kevin McNeil**

### Everybody's Problem

This workshop will explore the wide-ranging effects of abuse. This presentation highlights the importance of providing a safe, child-friendly environment for victims, services that may be provided to victims and families and the vicarious trauma that service providers may experience. There will also be a discussion about how each of us can combat abuse in our communities. Participants will leave with: 1) an understanding of how abuse affects communities, 2) three (3) characteristics that each participant has the can be used to combat abuse and 3) several strategies that can be used to not only change the life of a victim of abuse but also to help the participant become more effective in their mission to end abuse.

3. **Bill Carson**

### Women Who Molest Children: Offender Typologies

This workshop begins with findings that were learned from in-depth interviews with eighteen women who had been convicted of molesting children but goes well beyond that to include cases from across the nation as well as data from other recently published material on this topic. Chief Carson will discuss past and current offender

typologies for female child molesters, including his five distinct typologies that were first published in 2006.

4. **Robert Lung**

*Trafficking, Trauma, Resiliency and Evidence-Based Hope*

The presentation begins first and foremost with a brief discussion about secondary trauma and the importance of self-care not just for the audience in their professional experiences but during presentation itself. Judge Lung will then provide a basic overview of sex trafficking in the United States before addressing a particular case study that involved childhood sexual abuse, trafficking and severe physical abuse in the form of torture. And while the information regarding the trauma and trafficking is graphic and brutal, the audience will fully embrace and believe in the power of resiliency and 'evidence-based' hope provided by Judge Lung throughout the presentation.

5. **Brooks Keeshin, MD**

*The Care Process Model for Pediatric Traumatic Stress*

The presentation will review the prevalence and symptoms associated with children at risk for traumatic stress in various outpatient pediatric settings, as well as the development of a standardized and efficient process to guide the evaluation and treatment of traumatic stress in pediatric settings.

6. **Dennis Moxon**

*Juvenile Justice Reform and Special Victims Cases*

This presentation will focus on recent changes to Utah's Juvenile Justice System, the impact those changes have had on special victims' cases, and the methods that Utah's juvenile justice professionals have used to stay on the cutting edge of their field.

12:15 pm – 1:15 pm

Cliff Lodge Ballroom

**Lunch**

(Provided for registered Symposium Participants and guests with tickets)

1:30 pm – 3:00 pm

**Breakout Session 4**

1. **Tom Lyon and Heather Stewart**

*Beyond Tell Me More: New Directives in Forensic Interviewing – Part 2*

(See description above under Breakout Session #3)

2. **Eric Nation and Stacey Read**

*Drug Endangered Children Awareness - Children Impacted by Caregiver's Substance Abuse*

Ignored, abused, and abandoned – these are some of the chronic conditions experienced by children raised in environments where there is substance abuse and illegal drug use, manufacturing, cultivation and/or distribution. The focus on the needs of these children extends throughout the entire multidisciplinary process until the child is in a permanent, safe and constructive functioning environment. The Core DEC Awareness training looks at overcoming the challenges of this situation by aligning the agencies and systems responsible for preventing, intervening, and treating these issues in order to change the trajectories of the lives of drug endangered children and to break multi-generational cycles of abuse and neglect.

3. **Ulysses Black**

*Delayed Disclosure! How do we overcome time and still be successful?*

In 2001, a then 13-year-old female and her family unknowingly moved into a residence right next door to a sexual predator in North Logan, Utah. Shortly after moving into their new home, the suspect, 50-year-old Darwin Ridd befriended the victim's mom. He began paying the family's household bills, buying cell phones, and was always willing to help with whatever the family needed. It was these activities that allowed him to get as close to the victim as he could without raising suspicion with the victim's mom. This

closeness allowed Darwin to groom the victim, which ultimately led to years of sexual abuse. It took the victim 10 years to understand she was not responsible for her victimization and to report the abuse. This case study is not “Look at what I did” but rather, this presentation will share what worked, what didn’t, and what we must do to be successful for the victim’s in cases of prolonged delayed disclosure.

4. **Robert Lung**

**Trauma-Informed Court**

In this presentation the audience will learn of the multi-faceted impacts of trauma and how past trauma may interfere with a person’s ability to be present in every-day life, especially in courtrooms. The presentation will next address how attendees may be able to identify trauma-impacted litigants, consider effective self-care exercises and discuss simple methods to facilitate grounding in courtrooms. Judge Lung will also provide examples of thinking “outside of the box” to engage trauma-impacted youth in a more effective manner. Lastly, Judge Lung will regard the true purpose for creating a trauma-informed courtroom.

5. **Betsy Kanarowski**

**Sexual Abuse of Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder: Prevalence, Prevention, and Intervention**

Children with disabilities, including Autism Spectrum Disorder, are at least three times more likely to be victims of sexual abuse than their typically developing peers, and the abuse is more likely to be chronic and ongoing. Communication disabilities further increase vulnerability to abuse. This presentation addresses sexual abuse, examples of risk reduction for children with autism, and ways to support survivors and families.

6. **Craig Johnson,  
Kristen Zimmerman  
and Heidi Nestel**

**How to Maximize CJC Interviews’ Evidentiary Effectiveness in Light of Rule 1102**

A recorded interview of a child victim of sexual or physical abuse can be a valuable tool in criminal prosecutions, from the screening phase through preliminary hearing and trial. Most of these important interviews are conducted at CJs throughout the state. [Until May 1, 2018](#), admitting these CJC interviews at preliminary hearings in lieu of a victim’s live testimony was nearly impossible to do because Utah Rule of Evidence 1102 required that the child's disclosure must be made "promptly" after the abuse takes place. Since this circumstance is often the exception rather than the rule, we spearheaded a joint-effort to remove this antiquated requirement and give district and county attorneys another arrow in their prosecution quiver to protect child victims and get justice from their offenders. In this multi-disciplinary presentation, we will discuss how to maximize the evidentiary effectiveness of admitting CJC interviews at preliminary hearing and trial by examining the enormous impact of this change, both to investigation and prosecution strategies, as well as the decreased emotional toll on child victims.

3:00 pm -- 3:15 pm

**Break**

**3:15 pm – 4:45 pm**

**Breakout Session 5**

1. **Bill Carson**  
Cliff Lodge Ballroom

**Two Boys Strangled in the Woods: A Case Study**

In 1990, the nude bodies of two boys, ages 7 and 8, were found in a wooded area adjacent to the neighborhood where they lived. Both boys had been sexually assaulted and strangled with shoe strings that had been taken from the shoes of one of the boys. The discovery triggered an extensive and intense investigation which ultimately resulted in a surprising arrest. The perpetrator was a 13-year-old boy. This case study is presented by one of the many investigators that worked tirelessly on this investigation.

2. **Eric Nation and Stacey Read**

**DEC Approach - Moving from Awareness to Action - Professional's Impacting Drug Endangered Children**

This session will focus on how to implement the DEC Approach which is a comprehensive strategy based on a common vision, on-going collaboration between various disciplines and agencies, and on-going changes in practice. The presenters will discuss the identification of risks to drug endangered children and what all disciplines can look for when collecting evidence and information related to these special victims. The trainers utilize pictures and video of real DEC scenarios to assist professionals in understanding what to look for regarding the "life of the child." The workshop includes trainer-led discussions and hands-on exercises to demonstrate how implementing collaboration enhances the likelihood of better outcomes for drug endangered children.

3. **Turner Bitton**

**Decreasing Victim Isolation by Utilizing Technology**

This session will provide an overview and in-depth discussion of the mobile application operated by the Utah Coalition Against Sexual Assault (UCASA). The *You Are A Survivor* application utilizes digital infrastructure to provide resources and information to sexual assault survivors at their fingertips. This presentation will address the issue of victim isolation and discuss the ways that digital infrastructure is being used to combat isolation.

4. **Brennan Call**

**Internet Crimes Against Children Investigations**

This presentation will focus on ICAC investigations including enticement of a minor, social media investigations, case statistics, and case studies.

5. **Larissa Hines**

**Ethics of Mandated Reporting**

This presentation will discuss mandated reporting laws focusing on the ethical obligations surrounding these laws as well as such obligations to the patient.

6. **Tom Lyon, Chelsea Smith and Heather Stewart**

**The Ten-Step Forensic Interviewing Model: An Informal Conversation with Tom Lyon**

(Details to Follow)

**Friday, May 18, 2018**

7:00 am – 8:15 am

Cliff Lodge Ballroom

**Breakfast**

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7:30 am – 12:30 pm

**Registration and Information**

Symposium Registration Table, Cliff Lodge Ballroom Lobby

8:30 am – 10:30 am

Cliff Lodge Ballroom

**Keynote**

**"I am not my Mother!" The case of the People of the State of Colorado vs Carri Daley**

**Katharina Booth**

This case study will detail how a young woman withstood years of sexual abuse by her mother in an enmeshed relationship where she believed her mother was her lover and best friend. Growing up not understanding her mother's "love" was abuse, she ultimately struggled to break free from her mother's influence as the most important

person in her life. This session will detail the facts of this multi-year mother-daughter sexual abuse case, and will outline the progression of the mental, physical, and sexual abuse that began with acts of exhibitionism and voyeurism and ultimately culminated with this abuser's use of her own daughter as a sexual offering to entice men into bed with them for her own personal and sexual satisfaction.

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10:00 am – 10:30 am

**Break:** We have added some extra time to this break to facilitate the Hotel Room Check-Out policy.

### 10:30 am – 12:00 pm Breakout Session 6

1. **Greg Olney, Matt Pedersen and Chelsea Smith**  
Cliff Lodge Ballroom

Cherry Hill Elementary Rape Case  
This presentation focuses on the multi-disciplinary response to stranger abduction and aggravated sexual assault of a child.
2. **Katharina Booth**

Making Better Decisions for Investigating and Prosecuting Cases Involving the Possession of Child Sexual Abuse Images  
This session will explore the frequent hurdles of investigating and prosecuting child sexual exploitation cases if one is not armed with enough forensic investigation and psychological information of the offender to make a strong case. How can investigators and prosecutors identify who is the more dangerous offender that possesses child sexual abuse images? This class will outline one strategy for the investigative and forensic analysis of a child pornography collector's possession and use habits by using Dr. Jim Tanner's "14 factors," and how that information can be used to obtain a more successful prosecution and sentencing of these offenders.
3. **Blair Wardle and Stacie Mecham**

Medical Examination to Direct Examination: The Connection Between the Medical Aspects of a Case and a Successful Prosecution  
In this age of CSI and NCIS, it is imperative that juries understand and have a proper perspective about medical evidence (or the lack thereof) in sex abuse cases. This course will explain how and why sexual abuse may or may not be revealed in a sexual assault nurse exam using detailed medical information and explanations. Using these medical findings, you will also learn how to effectively present this information in the courtroom by educating jurors, tempering expectations, and establishing credibility of your expert and victim witnesses. The main objective of this course is to give you real world practical information and resources you can actually implement and use in your own cases.
4. **Alisa A. Lee**

Demystifying the Federal Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978: What You Need to Know When Working with Indian Children  
This presentation will give context for understanding the impetus behind the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978 (ICWA) and the basis for the federal trust relationship that exists between Tribes and the federal government. The procedural safeguards and special protections of ICWA will be discussed as well as the new federal regulations that guide a Utah's implementation of ICWA. Best practice strategies for working with Indian children, families and Tribes will also be discussed.

5. **Corey Rood MD**

*CSEC/Human Trafficking: How to Better Identify Youth Being Trafficked*

Human trafficking is a major global public health problem affecting adults and children from at least 152 different countries worldwide. The International Labor Organization recently estimated that 4.5 million people are victims of forced sexual exploitation and 14.2 million are victims of forced labor annually in the international private economy. Current research indicates that victims of trafficking often experience severe emotional and physical effects of their victimization. CPS, Law Enforcement and health care professionals are in a unique position to identify those in need and to work with multidisciplinary teams to tackle this problem locally.

6. **Julie Stephenson**

*Crisis Intervention: What, Where, When, How, Why*

This workshop will provide an opportunity to learn and practice skills for responding to crime victims in crisis. Participants will be introduced to a three-stage method of Crisis Intervention that is adaptable to any profession, setting, or type of victimization.

12:00 pm

**Adjourn**

Thank you for attending the 2018 Children's Justice Symposium. We look forward to seeing you again next year !!