



West Virginia School Health Technical Assistance Center

Please join us Wednesday, January 6, 2016

from 2:30-3:30 p.m.

for a free webinar on

Trauma Informed Schools Being Sensitive to Student's Needs

Join us to learn about Handle with Care, what it means to schools, and how school staff can be sensitive to trauma needs.

This training is offered only via WebEx (no conference call lines will be available). **The Webinar is FREE but you must register in advance.** We are limited to 100 WebEx participants, so please **register early** and plan for group access when able. *This webinar will be recorded and posted with CEU's for future listening for those unable to attend the live offering.*

**Registration Link, CEU Information and Presenter Bio
are available on our webpage:**

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Learning Objectives

1. Delineate the difference between Trauma Informed Schools and Trauma Informed Therapy.
2. Learn about Handle with Care and how to implement it at your school.
3. Describe the WV Center for Children's Justice and identify key contacts.
4. Be able to Identify Trauma Informed Principles.

Miscellaneous Information:

CEUs pending through the Office of Maternal, Child and Family Health. Social Work Continuing Education provider registration number (490089); West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Nurses provider number (WV1999-0297).

This event is coordinated by the West Virginia Department of Education Offices of Student and Community Support and Special Education along with the West Virginia School Health Technical Assistance Center at the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine, Marshall University.

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Bios:

Andrea Darr - *WV State Police, Crimes Against Children Unit*

Andrea Darr is the director of the West Virginia Center for Children’s Justice which promotes and supports a statewide trauma informed response to child maltreatment and children’s exposure to violence. The Center housed in the Crimes Against Children Unit at the WV State Police streamlines resources and minimizes duplicative efforts to address challenges, barriers, gaps and needed improvements in working child maltreatment cases. The Center includes: The WV Children’s Justice Task Force, The DCI Handle with Care Initiative, The WV Alliance for Drug Endangered Children and The Human Trafficking Task Force. Before devoting her work full time on children’s initiatives, Andrea served as the Coordinator of Victim Witness Services for the West Virginia Prosecuting Attorneys Institute from 2005-2015. In that capacity she coordinates with prosecution based victim witness assistance programs as well as community based programs to improve their collective knowledge concerning available resources and information and to establish a bridge between local, state and federal agencies regarding victim issues. Andrea has also worked in direct services with victims of crime, violence and abuse while serving as the Victim Liaison at the Kanawha County Prosecuting Attorney’s Office from 2001-2005.

Felisha Bush - *Executive Director of Harmony Mental Health, Inc.*

Harmony Mental Health, Inc., a private, non-profit mental health and social services agency serving children and families in Calhoun, Jackson, Kanawha, Logan, Wirt and Wood Counties. Ms. Bush began her social justice work serving victims of domestic violence as an advocate and eventually as Program Director. Ms. Bush earned her Master’s degree in Counseling in 2006. As a clinician, she gained specific training in marriage and family therapy and Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy to assist children who have been exposed to trauma. While at the Domestic Violence program she developed a counseling center within the domestic violence agency. In 2010, The Kanawha County Prosecuting Attorney’s office asked Ms. Bush to develop West Virginia's first co-located victim service center. The result was the Kanawha County Victim Services Center. Ms. Bush is the former Chair and current Vice Chair of the West Virginians Against Violence Committee, an adhoc committee that makes funding recommendations to the governor for state Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) and Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) funding. Former member of the Board of the WV Coalition Against Domestic Violence. Ms. Bush is a member of the WV Children’s Justice Task Force and is particularly proud to serve on the Steering and Training committee of the WV Defending Childhood “Handle With Care” Initiative with a multidisciplinary team of professionals dedicated to mitigating the impact of exposure to violence and trauma on West Virginia's Children.

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| February 10, 2016 | WV Chapter of National Hemophilia Foundation |
| February 17, 2016 | Community Schools from a School Nurse and RESA Perspective |
| March 16, 2016 | Suicide Prevention – Prevention and Post-vention |
| April 13, 2016 | Mental Health and Your School Project AWARE |

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Seizure Management

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Providing Care for Type I Diabetic Students When the School Nurse is Out