



Tennessee Chapter  
of Children's  
Advocacy Centers



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Save the Date for the 2011  
**Connecting for Children's Justice Conference**  
November 20<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup>  
in Nashville, TN

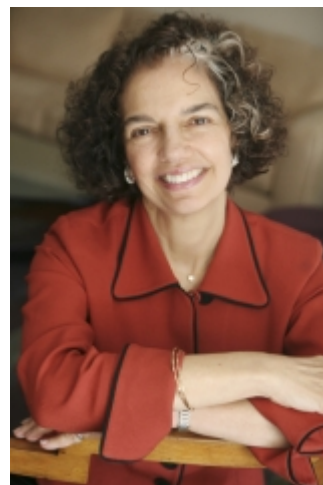
Each year, the conference offers a diverse course load of beginner, intermediate and advanced workshops with special concentrated tracks for law enforcement, attorneys, medical providers, CAC staff, therapists, prevention, case managers and more. Do not miss this excellent opportunity to network with professionals from across the state and increase your knowledge on recent research affecting child welfare.

Registration will open on Monday August 15<sup>th</sup>

- \$150 before October 1st
- \$200 on or after October 1st
- \$250 for TN SOTB new provider training

Learn more about the conference and download a copy of the program on our website [www.tncac.org/ccj](http://www.tncac.org/ccj)

**Don't miss the opportunity to hear from national experts on a variety of topics related to child welfare**



### **Transforming Trauma – How to do This Work and Not Completely Lose Our Minds**

**Laura van Dernoot Lipsky**, author of *Trauma Stewardship*, will talk about how we are impacted by society, work and career choices. Whether you are experiencing fatigue, cynicism, guilt, a sense of not doing enough or any other number of consequences of demanding work, she will help us understand how we can make choices that will allow us to interact with our work and our lives in such a way as to remain true to ourselves and those we serve.

### **Preventing Child Abuse by Building on Family Strengths**

**Judy Langford**, National Project Director and Senior Fellow at the Center for the Study of Social Policy, will present the research and current status of the Strengthening Families approach to preventing child abuse. Strengthening Families has introduced a new, evidence-based, universal approach to child abuse prevention, delivered by programs and staff who are NOT identified as child abuse prevention agents and integrated into multiple systems that serve children and families. Thirty- four states are working to implement and link the Strengthening Families approach to home visiting programs, early childhood initiatives, family resource programs, schools, maternal and child health programs as well as to child welfare and corrections programs.

### **Supervised Visitation**

**Rebecca Shahmoon Shanok**, LCSW, PhD, Founding Director of the Institute for Infants, Children & Families in New York City She will present a day of workshops on supervised visitation. An experienced author and energetic leader, Rebecca has helped to define reflective supervision since its inception in the early 90's. Having integrated mental health services into child care, day care and Head Start centers for 40 years, Rebecca is known as an expert in mental health consultation, outreach with the hard-to-reach parent, and in treatment with children who have suffered trauma as well as with their families, whether the trauma is domestic violence, community violence or another form.

### **Sex Offender Treatment**

**Robert McGrath**, M.A. will present two days of workshops for the Tennessee Sex Offender Treatment Board approved providers. He is the Clinical Director of the Vermont Department of Corrections statewide network of prison and outpatient sex offender treatment programs. He is co-author of the books *Supervision of the Sex Offender* and *Current Practices and Emerging Trends in Sexual Abuser Management*. He is Co-Chair of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers Practice Standards .