

# VOLUNTEERS FOR YOUTH CONFERENCE

Wednesday, March 8, 2017

Auditorium - Academic Center Midlands Technical College - Airport Campus

## *Sharing Hearts & Hands*



*"Making a difference in the lives of youth...one child at a time"*

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8:00am - 4:00pm

Midlands Technical College (MTC)

Airport Campus

1260 Lexington Drive

West Columbia, South Carolina 29170

**\*\*Community Resource Fair from 8:00 am until 1:30 pm\*\***

**This conference is intended for individuals who volunteer with and/or are part of the following organizations:**

Richland County CASA

MTC Human Services Program

Cass Elias McCarter Guardian ad Litem Program

S.C. Department of Juvenile Justice

Community Juvenile Arbitration Programs

*The first 20 MTC Human Services Program students who register for the Conference will have their registration fee waived. All other students will pay the student registration rate.*

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Children's Law Center

The South Carolina Bar Foundation

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## Registration

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate your 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> choices (using the numbers 1, 2 or 3) for **EACH** workshop session listed below.  
Registration for each workshop will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

### Session I 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Forensic Interviewing
- \_\_\_\_\_ Human Trafficking
- \_\_\_\_\_ Shared Parenting
- \_\_\_\_\_ Youth Suicide Prevention

### Session II 10:25 a.m. - 11:40 a.m.

- \_\_\_\_\_ ACE Training
- \_\_\_\_\_ Juvenile Mental Health Court
- \_\_\_\_\_ Psychologists vs. Psychiatrists
- \_\_\_\_\_ Transitioning Out of Foster Care

### Session III 1:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Beyond the Behaviors
- \_\_\_\_\_ DSS Policy Changes
- \_\_\_\_\_ Gangs
- \_\_\_\_\_ IEPs vs. 504 Accommodation Plans

Volunteer Registration Fee: \$20.00 (*Non-refundable*)

Student Registration Fee: \$20.00 (*Non-refundable*)

Staff Registration Fee: \$25.00 (*Non-refundable*)

Please mail this completed form and registration fee no later than **March 3, 2017** to:

Children's Law Center  
Attention: Jennifer Barr

1600 Hampton Street, Suite 502  
Columbia, South Carolina 29208  
(803) 576-6039

**Make Checks Payable to: Richland County CASA Foundation**

You will receive a confirmation of your registration and assigned workshops by email within 5 days of receipt of registration form and payment.

***Register Today– Seating is Limited to 225 people!***

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## Agenda

8:00 am - 8:30 am	Registration
8:30 am - 8:45 am	Welcome and Announcements
9:00 am - 10:15 am	Morning Workshops / Session I
10:25 am - 11:40 am	Morning Workshop / Session II
11:45 am - 1:15 pm	LUNCH
1:30 pm - 2:45 pm	Afternoon Workshop / Session III
2:55 pm - 3:45 pm	DJJ Insiders
3:45 pm	Door Prizes / Adjournment

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## PROFESSIONAL CREDITS

### **Social Workers:**

The Committee is working to have the Board of Examiners for Social Work approve workshop hours for social work re-licensure. An announcement will be made on the day of the Conference regarding the qualifying workshops and the requisite time.

### **VSP:**

The Committee is also working to secure these hours as well. Further information will be provided on the day of the Conference

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**MTC Parking:** Take the first right out of the traffic circle, then take an immediate left turn. This is a driveway that will take you to the parking lot adjacent to the Academic Center. Directions will be included in your emailed confirmation.

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## Conference Workshops

**Forensic Interviewing: How to Talk to and/or Work with a Difficult Child:** A good guidebook to learn about autism, separating fact from fiction, treatment, and available resources. *Ray Olszewski, The Assessment & Resource Center (The ARC)*

**Human Trafficking:** Learn more about this crime that is sweeping the nation and what is being done to prevent and fight it. *Lt. Heidi Jackson, Deputy, Richland County Sheriff's Department*

**Shared Parenting:** Learn how parents can get along with one another, even when they are not together, and work together to do what is in the best interest of their child/children. *Beth Mullins, South Carolina Department of Social Services*

**Youth Suicide Prevention:** Become "suicide prevention" ready. Tips for learning the signs of a person who may be suicidal and what resources are available to assist them. *Dr. Alex Karydi, SC Youth Suicide Prevention Initiative*

**ACE Training:** Adverse Childhood Experiences- learn how these traumatic experiences can impact a child and his or her well-being. *Mary Landrum, Children's Trust of South Carolina*

**Juvenile Mental Health Court:** Learn about this alternative for juveniles with DJJ involvement. Find out how referrals are made, eligibility criteria, and available services. *Pheshe Johnson, MSW, Fifth Judicial Circuit Solicitor's Office*

**Psychologists vs. Psychiatrists:** Learn the difference between these two mental health providers and their varying roles within the legal system. *Dr. Bill Haxton, Dutch Fork Psychological Services*

**Transitioning Out of Foster Care:** Learn about the services that are available for youth who are about to age out of foster care. *Kaneshia Greene, SCDSS Region II Independent Living Advocate*

**Beyond the Behaviors:** Strategies and tips to help children overcome their labels. *Jena Martin, Family Connections of South Carolina*

**DSS Policy Changes:** Learn about the proposed and upcoming changes to laws involving the Department of Social Services. *Daniel Gibbs, South Carolina Department of Social Services*

**Gangs:** A MUST if you are interested in learning about the structure of gangs, how they recruit, their influence, and what is being done to combat them. *Investigator Griffin, Richland County Sheriff's Department*

**IEPs vs. 504 Accommodation Plans:** Learn the difference between these two educational plans, the qualifications for each, and the available services. *Shelley Nowicki, Family Connections of South Carolina*

**DJJ Insiders:** A panel of children who will discuss their experiences with DJJ. *Ted Blanding, South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice*