CANADIAN CONFERENCE ON PROMOTING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS FOR YOUTH: BREAKING DOWN THE SILOS IN ADDRESSING MENTAL HEALTH & VIOLENCE

SAVE THE DATE | February 15-17, 2017 | London ON Convention Centre

A conference for policy makers, researchers, youth advocates, educators, mental health, youth justice and social service professionals involved in the prevention of relationship violence and promotion of youth well-being in families, schools and communities

PURPOSE:

This conference will bring together researchers, policy makers and practitioners working with children and adolescents to prevent and address relationship violence and mental health challenges. These fields of practice have evolved through different disciplines and services systems and often exist in separate silos. The purpose of this conference is to break down the silos through a recognition that there are overlapping issues with common health promotion, prevention, early identification and intervention strategies. Conference themes include understanding the intersections among healthy youth relationships, violence, and mental health; promoting well-being for all children and youth in Canada; evidence-based approaches and emerging innovations; and, implementation, partnership, and systems issues.

TOPICS INCLUDE:

- The benefits of universal prevention programs to address relationship violence
- The Healthy Relationships Plus Program: Embedding mental health promotion in an evidence-based healthy relationships approach
- Addressing the role of technology in relationship violence
- Social media and sexual violence

- \bullet $\,\,$ Emerging approaches to preventing dating violence in adolescents
- Trauma-informed schools
- Understanding the intersection between bullying and mental health
- Promoting well-being among Aboriginal youth through healthy relationships

FEATURED SPEAKERS:

Dr. Linda Baker, Learning Director, Centre for Research & Education on Violence Against Women & Children, Faculty of Education, Western University

Glen Canning, Sexual Assault Victims Advocate

Dr. Wendy Craig, Professor of Psychology, Queen's University, Scientific Co-Director, PREVNet

Dr. Claire Crooks, Director, Centre for School Mental Health, Faculty of Education, Western University

Mr. Ray Hughes, National Coordinator 4thR Programs, Faculty of Education, Western University **Dr. Peter Jaffe,** Academic Director, Centre for Research & Education on Violence Against Women & Children, Faculty of Education, Western University

Dr. Debra Pepler, Distinguished Research Professor of Psychology, York University, Scientific Co–Director, PREVNet

Dr. Kathy Short, School Mental Health-ASSIST, Ministry of Education

Dr. Sharon Hoover Stephan, Associate Professor, University of Maryland School of Medicine; Co-Director, Center for School Mental Health **Dr. Tracy Vaillancourt,** Professor and Canada Research Chair, Children's Mental Health and Violence Prevention, University of Ottawa

Dr. David Wolfe, Research Scholar & Professor, Centre for Research & Education on Violence Against Women & Children, Faculty of Education, Western University

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