



# AGENDA

**February 27<sup>th</sup> to March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011**  
**Albert At Bay Suites Hotel, Ottawa**

**February 27, 2011, Sunday (evening)**

- 5:30 pm     **Pick-up of name tags and delegate packages**  
**Informal gathering before dinner - cash bar** (in KE meeting area)
  
- 6:30 pm     **Dinner with Keynote speaker** (in KE meeting area)  
**Jean Clinton**, Associate Professor of Psychiatry, McMaster University  
***“Toxic Stress and the Brain: The impact of trauma on the developing brain”***  
*New evidence is demonstrating that the brain is changed by the environment, especially in young children. If living in neglectful, violent, or high and chronic stress, key areas of the brain are altered. The scars of abuse can last a lifetime, affecting health, relationships, and productivity.*
  
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- 8:00 pm     **Hospitality Suite**  
- 9.30 pm

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**February 28, 2011, Monday**

- 7:30            **Continental breakfast** (in KE meeting area)  
- 8:30 am
  
- 8:30 am     **Welcome**  
**Beth Heinze**, Acting Director, Policy Centre for Victims Issues, Department of Justice, Ottawa, ON
  
- Introduction**  
**Pam Hurley**, Knowledge Exchange Co-host, King’s University College, London, ON  
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8.45 *Child and Youth Victims and Witnesses of Crime in Canada – What is the prevalence of the problem?*

- 9:00 am

**Susan McDonald**, Principal Researcher, Department of Justice, Ottawa, ON

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9.00 *Responding to Abuse of Children – Key Elements of Child Advocacy Centres: History, development, what’s important now.*

- 9:45 am

**Barb Spencer**, CEO, Zebra Child Protection Centre, Edmonton, AB

*Children’s Advocacy Centers – What is the Rationale and Need?*

**Chris Newlin**, Executive Director, National Children's Advocacy Center, Huntsville, Alabama

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9.45 **Health Break**

- 10.00 am

10.00 **Panel # 1: *Investigations and Interviewing Techniques***

- 11.00

**Em Chan**, Police detective, Zebra Child Protection Centre, Edmonton, AB

**Mireille Cyr**, Professeure, département de psychologie Université de Montréal, Montréal, QC

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**Kevin Pierce**, Child abuse investigator, Regina Children’s Justice Centre, Regina, SK

**Kim Roberts**, Professor, Dept of Psychology, Wilfrid Laurier University,

Waterloo, ON

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11:00 am **Round table discussions on Panel # 1:**

- 12:00 pm *Investigations and Interviewing Techniques*

12:00 **Lunch**

- 1:00 pm (in KE meeting area)

1:00 **Presentation: *"Child Witnesses in the Criminal Courts: Legislation, Judicial Perceptions and Cases"***

1:30 pm

**Nick Bala**, Professor, Faculty of Law, Queen’s University, Kingston, ON

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1:30 **Panel # 2: *Children and testimony***

- 2:45 pm

**Mary Ainslie**, Crown Counsel, Vancouver, BC

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**Milco de Graaf**, Program Coordinator, Child Victim Support Service Government of Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB

**Brooke Harker**, Crown Witness Coordinator, Yellowknife, NWT

**Mr. Justice John McGarry**, Superior Court judge, London, ON

- 2:45      **Health break**  
 - 3:00 pm
- 3:00      **Round table discussions on Panel # 2:**  
 - 4:00 pm      *Children and testimony*
- 4:00      **Summary and input**  
 - 4:15 pm      From webcast and highlights of Day 1
- 5:30      **Reception (optional)**  
 - 6:30 pm      For all delegates and speakers, in hospitality suite
- Evening    **Delegates arrange their own dinner**

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**March 1, 2011, Tuesday**

- 8:00      **Continental breakfast**  
 - 9:00 am      (in KE meeting area)
- 9:00      **Panel # 3: *Forensic Medical Examination in the CAC context***  
 - 10:15 am    **Amy Ornstein**, Pediatrician, Child Protection Team, IWK Health Centre, Halifax, NS  
                  **Tanya Smith**, Nurse Practitioner, SCAN Program, Sick Kids Hospital, Toronto, ON  
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- Panel # 4: *Counselling and Therapeutic Treatment for Children, Adolescents and their Families***  
                  **Lucie Joyal**, Directrice Générale, Centre d'expertise Marie-Vincent, Montréal, QC  
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                  **Karyn Kennedy**, Executive Director, BOOST Child Abuse Prevention & Intervention,  
                  Toronto, ON  
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- 10:15      **Health Break**  
 - 10.30 am
- 10:30      **Round table discussion on both Panel # 3 & 4:**  
 - 11:30 am      *Counselling, Treatment and Forensic Medical Examinations*
- 11:15 am    **Panel # 5: *Research, Monitoring and Evaluation***

- 12:00 pm     **Susan McDonald**, Principal Researcher, Department of Justice, Ottawa, ON  
*Research on Child and Youth Victims and Witnesses in Canada: What do we have? What do we need?*
- Tracy Hannah**, Manager, Provincial Victim Services Program, Halifax, NS  
*Child Victims and Witnesses: A Case Management Model*  
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- Milco de Graaf**, Program Coordinator, Child Victim Support Services, Government of Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB  
*Tracking Child Victims and Witnesses through the Justice System*
  
- 12:00         **Lunch**
- 1:15 pm         (in the KE area)
  
- 1:15         **Updates,**
- 1:30 pm         Including comments about Day 1, from webcast
  
- 1:30         ***Children’s Advocacy Centers – Are They Working?***
- 2:00 pm         **Chris Newlin**, Executive Director, National Children’s Advocacy Center, Hunstville, Alabama  
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- 2.00         **Panel # 6: *Partnerships and Collaborations among Agencies Working to Support Child***
- 2.45 pm         ***Victims and Witnesses***  
**Cindy Paskey**, Executive Director, Child Advocacy Centre Niagara, St. Catharines, ON  
**Karyn Kennedy**, Executive Director, BOOST Child Abuse Prevention & Intervention, Toronto, ON  
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- 2.45         ***Health Break***
- 3:00 pm
  
- 3.00         **Round table discussions on Panel # 6:**
- 4.00 pm         *Partnerships and Collaborations among Agencies Working to Support Child Victims and Witnesses*
  
- 4:00pm        **Wrap up, Evaluation and Next Steps**
- 4:30 pm        **Beth Heinze**, Acting Director, Policy Centre for Victims Issues, Department of Justice  
**Pam Hurley**, Knowledge Exchange Co-host

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*A webcast of the KE will be offered to individuals from across the country wishing to learn about CACs. Please feel free to share this agenda and attached information on the webcast with those people who you think might be interested in participating.*

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