

General Information

Payment info:

Pre-Conference ONLY

- \$25 for current WACYCP members and agency members
- \$50 for non-members

Full Day Conference ONLY

- \$40 for current WACYCP members and agency members
- \$65 for people seeking membership
- \$70 for non-members

Pre-Conference AND Full Day Conference

- \$65 for current WACYCP members and agency members
- \$90 for people seeking membership
- \$120 for non-members

To register, complete and return the registration form below, or call 414-227-3130.

Payment:

You may choose from a variety of payment methods. Payment can be made with a Check, Company Purchase Order (P.O.) or Money Order. Checks should be made payable to "WACYCP" Cash is accepted through in-person registration only.

For More Information:

Contact the WACYCP office at 414-227-3130 or via email at jodyrhodes@sbcglobal.net.

Save the Date

9th Annual WACYCP Youth Work Awards Celebration

Thursday May 14, 2009
Doubletree Hotel, downtown Milwaukee

Please visit the WACYCP website at www.wacycp.org to make a nomination and for more information.

Registration Form

MAIL: WACYCP 161 W. Wisconsin Ave., Ste. 6000 Milwaukee, WI 53203	PHONE: 414-227-3130 – Direct FAX: 414-227-3224 – Direct	IN PERSON: YWLC School of Continuing Education 161 W. Wisconsin Ave 7th Floor Milwaukee, WI 53203
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Pre-Conference 12:30-4:30 pm Wed., March 11, 2009 Yes, I am attending

Thu., March 12, 2009 (Choose one workshop from each session)

Session A Workshop 10:30am-Noon A1 A2 A3 A4 A5 A6 Title _____

Session B Workshop 1:15 to 2:45 pm B1 B2 B3 B4 B5 B6 Title _____

Session C Workshop 3 to 4:30 pm C1 C2 C3 C4 C5 C6 Title _____

Please photocopy for multiple registrations.

I cannot attend, but please send me brochures on future courses.

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Your confirmation and any correspondence will be sent to the address below.

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2009 ANNUAL WACYCP



YOUTH CARE WORKER CONFERENCE

EMPOWERING *Today's Youth
Workers for Tomorrow*



Wednesday, March 11
(Pre-Conference)
and
Thursday, March 12
(Full day conference)

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Annual WACYCP Youth Care Worker Conference

EMPOWERING *Today's Youth Workers for Tomorrow*

The Wisconsin Association of Child and Youth Care Professionals invites you to attend its annual conference for youth care workers. Whether you work with youth in a residential setting or in the community, this conference is for you. It offers a variety of topics, nationally recognized speakers and valuable workshops. This is an excellent opportunity for you to gain new skills and knowledge and to compare notes and ideas while networking with your peers.

The conference is sponsored by WACYCP, United Way of Greater Milwaukee, Youth Work Learning Center and the UWM School of Continuing Education, Norris Adolescent Center, Norris School District and Lad Lake, Inc.

Pre-Conference Schedule: Wednesday, March 11

12:30-1pm	Check In/Registration
1-2:30pm	Topic #1
2:30-2:45pm	Break
2:45-4:15pm	Topic #2
4:30pm	Pre-Conference Concludes

Full-Day Conference Schedule: Thursday, March 12

8-9am	Continental Breakfast/Registration
9-10am	Welcome/Keynote Speaker: Jeff Kreeb
10:15-10:30am	Break
10:30am-12pm	Workshop Sessions A
12-1:15pm	Lunch (provided)
1:15-2:45pm	Workshop Sessions B
3-4:30pm	Workshop Sessions C
4:45-5:00pm	Wrap Up/Door Prizes/Hand in Evaluations

Pre-Conference

Wed., March 11, 2009

TOPIC #1

Putting Oneself in the Shoes of a Foster Child

*Laura Wojciuk, Bregetta Wilson (lead presenters)
& Milwaukee Chapter of Wisconsin's State Wide Youth Advisory Council*

Focus on the lives of foster children and the challenges they face. This workshop depicts the situations foster children may face while living in foster care, and the different paths their lives may take based on those situations. You'll have a chance to hear their stories, and feel the expression that comes with being a foster child. Being a foster child comes with lots of challenges, choices and changes – and sometimes it comes with stereotypes. This workshop will help you gain a unique perspective beyond what any textbook, judge or even case worker can provide. Come walk in their shoes.

TOPIC #2

Teen Homelessness in Milwaukee: An Inside Look

Pathfinders Youth Shelter

Homeless adolescents are sleeping under overpasses in cardboard boxes or unheated abandoned buildings, eating out of garbage bins, and being physically, sexually and emotionally abused by others.

The vast majority of these teens have no place to go, but to the streets. Some resort to prostitution or drug dealing to earn money. Basic needs such as safety, security, shelter and food are rarely met. Health care is a forgotten luxury. The harm inflicted on them as a result is enormous, and the scars are tangible and long-lived.

Staff and teens from Pathfinders will educate and inform attendees on the issue surrounding teen homelessness and how youth care workers can help.

Full day conference

Opening Keynote: Jeff Kreeb, CYC-P

Title: Furthering Professional Development

Where we came from, where we are and where we are going...

Jeff Kreeb CYC-P

Jeff is a Nationally Certified Youth Care Professional who has worked with at-risk youth for 19 years as a front line staff, the past 15 with Norris Adolescent Center in Mukwonago, WI. Jeff has been involved with the WACYCP since 1995 and over that time he has served as Delegate to the National Board of Directors (NOCCWA), Membership Chairperson and as President of the Board for five years. Jeff continues to serve as a Board Member in the WACYCP. Jeff has also worked on the national level serving on the Board of Directors for the WACYCP since '97. Jeff is currently the Outreach Chairperson for the WACYCP. Jeff has contributed many years to working on a national certification for youth workers. Jeff really has dedicated his life to working with children and to professionalizing the field of Youth Work.

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Session A Workshops

10:30 to NOON

Workshop A1

Youth Led Workshop: Crime Strategy Initiative Projects of Neu-Life Community Resource Center and COA Youth and Family Centers

Youth and Staff of Neu-Life Community Resource Center and COA Youth and Family Centers, Milwaukee

Explore two youth-led crime strategy initiative projects in Milwaukee. Youth from two after school programs successfully implemented projects that made their neighborhoods safer. Come learn about their projects, and how to engage and motivate youth to make a difference in their communities.

Workshop A2

Why Do Gangs Continue to Thrive, even with Great Youth and Teen Programs in Our Communities?

Dolores Kokinos, The Empowerment Café

Uncover the reason why gangs attract youth and teens. The secret lies in understanding the five essential social needs that every human requires regardless of their age or social status. Youth and teens from adverse backgrounds have little to none of these needs met by their families or communities, and gang leaders are masters at fulfilling them. Once you understand the five essential social needs, you will learn effective strategies to include them in your programming.

Workshop A3

The Hidden Consequences of A Juvenile Record in WI

Art Besse, President, Art Besse & Associates LLC

Learn what consequences follow a youth with a record in this state. Learn the circumstances that determine whether youth (10-18 years old) enter the juvenile or adult criminal justice system, and what the implications are for collateral damage related to each, including: public records, housing restrictions, employment and occupational barriers, deportation, loss of parental rights, impact on food stamps and W-2, loss of driver's license etc.

Workshop A4

Reducing Seclusion and Restraint through using Dialectical Behavior Therapy as a Treatment Model at a Residential Treatment Facility

James Eppert and Nathan Harrell, Lad Lake, Inc.

At the Cottage unit at Lad Lake, we use a new treatment model known as Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT). Since implementing DBT, we have seen a noticeable reduction in restraints and seclusion. Learn some of the statistics of restraints and seclusion in our unit, and the basic elements of the DBT treatment model contributing to these improved statistics.

Workshop A5

What's the Big Deal About Abstinence?

Daryl Carter, AIDS Resource Center of WI

Learn more about ARC's Abstinence Program, Wisconsin STD, HIV and pregnancy rates. You'll also hear about what current Wisconsin Law says about underage, consensual and non-consensual sex.

Workshop A6

Making a Difference in the Lives of Youth Involved in Trading Sex for Money or Survival

Claudine O'Leary, consultant

From sugar daddies to pimps to the adult down the street who allows a teen to stay over in exchange for sex, many youth we know are involved in the sex trade. Discover how to tell if youth are involved, and create a welcoming environment for youth to tell you. Talk about real-life challenges youth care workers face when youth are sexually exploited by adults. Learn what you can do to support youth who are currently at risk or who have recently left the sex trade.

Session B Workshops

1:15 to 2:45 pm

Workshop B1

Gangs: Education and History.

Gary Graika

Learn about the history of gangs and the influence that gangs continue to have in various communities and with youth.

Workshop B2

WACYCP Youth Worker Certification

Jeff Kreeb, Board Member and Mike Mitchell, Board President, WACYCP

This workshop will show you how to apply for Youth Care Worker certification from the WACYCP. Bring your certification questions, and we will help you get started on your application!

Workshop B3

Yoga Tools for Youth Educators

Jonathan Garber, Yoga Community Connection

Enjoy this experiential training to find out how the Yoga Tools for Youth Educators workshop coaches your staff to give yoga instruction in short 15 minute segments. Learn basic yoga skills and how to apply them. Skills are organized in short segments usable in the morning, for transitions, in testing and for ending the day.

Session B Workshops

1:15 to 2:45 pm

Workshop B4

The Adolescent Brain and Sexual Risk Behaviors

Sally Ladky, Executive Director of Wisconsin Abstinence Coalition

While the teen brain is still developing, behavior choices can adversely mold the brain affecting futures. This workshop gives those working with adolescents an introduction to adolescent brain development, teen decision-making capabilities, the brain functions related to sexual behavior, the potential outcomes of uncommitted sex on relationships, and sex addiction.

Workshop B5

Power of Art: Games and Activities Using Recycled Materials

Samantha Feigenbaum, Art Instructor

This is hands-on workshop is designed to create fun, creative activities for youth. You will learn

how make projects out of items that would otherwise be considered trash. I will provide a wide variety of materials and lesson plans, and you will leave with ready-to-use activities for your youth.

Workshop B6

Working with LGBT Youth: What You Need to Know

Rachel Coles, Milwaukee

Covers Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender terms, definitions, myths and facts. It will also cover Child and Youth Care Professional best practices including how to be an ally, what to do if someone "comes out" to you, interrupting hurtful language and more. The session will be comprised of experiential learning activities, a brief lecture and an extensive question and answer session.

Session C Workshop 3 to 4:30 pm

Workshop C1

Gangs: Prevention.

Gary Graika

Learn valuable techniques to help prevent gang activity among youth in your community.

Workshop C2

Our Changing Demographics: Empowering You

Santo Carfora, S & J Consulting, LLC

Designed to renew and refresh educators/youth care professionals. Gives you an opportunity to face current realities, and embrace the changing demographics of your students and society. Helps look at where you've been, where you are and where you hope to go. Activities will deal with cultural, change, career mapping, trust and more.

Workshop C3

Youth Sexuality/Healthy Boundaries

Stephen A. Gilbertson, M.S., Wisconsin Licensed Psychologist

Aimed at improving your understanding of the risks and needs of youth with sexual behavior problems and their family members. Risk management/prevention strategies will be discussed as well as the importance of collaboration and consultation.

Workshop C4

Learning Social Justice by Doing

Katherine Kinne, PASS AmeriCorps Volunteer

Active, engaging learning activities enhance students' service experiences and help them integrate service into their lives. When service-learning experiences are paired with activities designed to cultivate empathy and understanding for those living in poverty, students connect the principles of justice, equality and responsibility to real-life situations. Learn how to make community service have a life-long impact.

Workshop C5

Non-Traditional Activities and How They Relate to Trauma Sensitive Care

Gregory Carlson, B.S. and Beth Grossmeyer, O.T.R., Lad Lake, Inc

"I do 'crow' (yoga pose) every day during quiet time." This comment was made by a 14 year-old boy in a residential treatment setting. This presentation will describe how yoga and geocaching have been incorporated into academic and leisure programming. Participants will learn application of sensory processing philosophy and trauma sensitive care to day-to-day programming. Discussion will include application to other activities, settings and populations.

Workshop C6

It's Time! Adults Addressing Youth and Teen Depression

Sue McKenzie, InHealth WI

Enter the lives of those touched by depression, and explore your role in creating a healing environment. Increase awareness, improve interventions/support and connect to resources through compelling video-stories of diverse youth and key adults, informative slides, art, animation and engaging facilitators. Teens will provide words of encouragement to teachers and other adults who wonder if they can make a positive difference within the parameters of their professional role.