



The Shepherd Program, located at 420 Fruit Hill Ave N. Providence, RI presents its 5th training series focusing on strengthening & supporting children & families. The following workshops are being offered:

April 17th from 1:30-4:45 pm; ***Human Trafficking: Implications for Clinical Staff***, presented by Jessica Clark, LICSW (3 CEU). This course will provide a general overview of the scope of the problem of Human Trafficking with a focus on Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC). Both national and local data will be reviewed. Exploiter tactics, signs & symptoms of exploitation, and front line response will be covered. We will discuss the broad range of clinical symptoms that can be expected when working with this population and best practices for treatment options.

May 16th from 9-12:15 pm; ***The Use of Digital Technology in Children's & Family Services--Ethical & Risk-management Challenges***, presented by Frederic Reamer, Ph.D. (3 CEU). This workshop will explore cutting-edge ethical issues arising out of child welfare professionals' growing use of digital technology, electronic interventions and communications, and social media. The training will examine complex ethical issues related to use of email, text messages, social networking sites, online search engines, electronic records, and other forms of technology. Dr. Reamer will summarize recently adopted national standards explore risk-management implications, and provide opportunity for audience participation.

June 28th from 1-4:15 pm; ***Supporting Foster Children & Adoptees Affected by Sexual Abuse***, presented by Melissa Santoro, LICSW (3 CEU). This workshop will focus on how sexual abuse affects families formed through adoption and foster care & ways service providers can provide support & education to assist these families with their needs. Training participants will leave with knowledge regarding "red flags" of sexual abuse as well as practical strategies to use with children & families in therapy.

July 12th from 9-12:15 pm; ***Essentials for doing Family Therapy***, presented by Robert Cohen, LICSW (3 CEU). A simple framework for doing family therapy will be presented in this workshop. Fundamental features from a strength based perspective will be reviewed that are essential for practitioners in practice. Participants will have the opportunity to apply the framework presented relative to their toughest family challenges.

August 22nd from 9-12:15 pm; ***Toxic Masculinity and Male Survivors of Sexual Abuse***, presented by Adam Cable, LICSW (3CEU). This workshop will look at the impacts of toxic masculinity on boys and men and how it impacts their healing from trauma. The training will examine the role of media and society, as well as families and communities, in indoctrinating boys to behave, think, and feel in unhealthy and unproductive ways. Concrete tools and activities will be presented to help providers counteract these messages and help their male clients engage fully in emotional work and relationships.

Light refreshments will be provided at each workshop. To register, please complete the registration info & send to Yasmin Heras with your payment.

Please make checks payable to St. Mary's Home for Children, Memo line: Shepherd Training Series. Return this portion of the flyer along with payment to:

St. Mary's Home for Children
Attention: Yasmin Heras
420 Fruit Hill Ave
North Providence, RI 02911

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Feel free to contact Melissa Santoro at MSantoro@smhfc.org with any questions.

Please select the date(s) and fee amount for the workshop(s) you wish to attend:

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The Shepherd Program provides outpatient treatment to children, teens, adults and their families impacted by sexual abuse. The Shepherd Program employs a clinical team with expertise in sexual abuse evaluation and treatment. The staff is dedicated to helping families heal and stop the cycle of abuse. Services are provided through office, home and community based programs, with various levels of intensity. The Shepherd Program also provides clinical treatment for a variety of mental health issues. Referrals come from individuals seeking treatment, DCYF, physicians, families, schools and other treatment providers.

Shepherd Clinicians are available to train on a variety of topics related to sexual abuse, sexual exploitation, and other trauma. We would be happy to customize a training to meet your needs. Please contact The Shepherd Program Director, Melissa Santoro, at MSantoro@smhfc.org to explore further.