



The Outpatient Department, known as **The Shepherd Program**, located at 420 Fruit Hill Ave N. Providence, RI presents its 6th training series focusing on strengthening & supporting children & families. The following workshops are being offered:

March 28th from 1-4:15 pm; ***Human Trafficking: Implications for Clinical Staff***, presented by Catherine Martin Hearne, LICSW & Chelsea Hill, LICSW (3 CEU). This workshop will provide a brief overview of the problem of Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC) and human trafficking. Best-practices for treatment modalities will be presented through a discussion of the framework for the community-based approach to treatment being utilized by our STAAR Program. Topics for discussion will include the range of clinical services and the trauma-focused treatment modalities being used with this population.

April 29th from 9:30-12:45 pm; ***Basics of Couples Therapy & Co-Parenting Support***, presented by Robert Cohen, LICSW (3 CEU). This workshop will review essential fundamentals for doing couple therapy with a special focus on co-parenting issues. Methods of assessment, goal setting and intervention will be outlined from a strength based perspective. Approaches that center on communications, problem solving and negotiation skills will also be highlighted as parents are challenged to work as a childcare team.

May 22nd from 9:30-12:45 pm; ***Non-Toxic Masculinity: Treatment Approaches for Male Survivors of Sexual Abuse***, presented by Adam Cable, LICSW (3CEU). This workshop will focus on treatment approaches for male survivors of sexual abuse in the context of a patriarchal society and a culture of toxic masculinity. Elements of toxic masculinity will be reviewed, followed by in-depth discussion of treatment tools and strategies to help repair the damage done by sexual abuse. Attendees of past trainings on toxic masculinity will have a chance to build a more advanced repertoire of techniques, while newcomers will have an opportunity to explore the fundamental concepts.

June 26th from 9:30-12:45 pm; ***Strengthen your Treatment Approach for Youth with Problematic Sexual Behaviors: Ways to Develop & Enhance the Team***, presented by Melissa Santoro, LICSW (3CEU). The purpose of this workshop is identify the needs of caregivers for YPSB, to provide practical and educational interventions for service providers to use with caregivers, and to provide insight into the need for a team approach. We will focus on the need for a strong and committed team to support and guide YPSB and their families through the treatment process, in order for treatment to be most effective.

Light refreshments will be provided at each workshop. To register, please complete the registration info & send to Alex Kraus with your payment. Please contact Director of Outpatient Services, Melissa Santoro at MSantoro@smhfc.org with any questions.

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: Alex Kraus
420 Fruit Hill Ave
North Providence, RI 02911

Name: _____

Agency: _____

Address: _____

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

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The Outpatient Department, known as The Shepherd Program, at St. Mary's Home for Children was established in 1985 to provide outpatient treatment and support to survivors of sexual abuse and their families. Since then, the Outpatient Department has expanded its services to best support families impacted by sexual abuse, sexual exploitation and other trauma, such as family violence and physical abuse, through a myriad of programs. Services are provided in the office, home and community. Referrals come from DCYF, physicians, families, schools, courts, other service providers and individuals seeking support and mental health treatment.

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 Director of Outpatient Services, Melissa Santoro, at MSantoro@smhfc.org to explore further.