

Annual Report 2012



Deeper Understanding, Better Care.



A Note From Bob Block, MD, FAAP AVA Chair

Looking back on my six years of service to AVA as President-Elect, President, and Board Chair, I am deeply satisfied with our accomplishments. We have been true to our Mission and Vision, primarily raising awareness across the country about the importance of attention to the health effects of violence and abuse. Maltreatment of our children, our partners, our elderly, and the

violence that continues to affect random, innocent people of all ages is a sad part of American society that must be tamed. We have succeeded in creating first steps toward inclusion of violence and abuse recognition and remediation in health education curricula, with a wonderful set of competencies many are already finding useful. We have a new scholars program and a great workshop on faculty development. The AVA produced DVD on the ACE studies is a teaching gem.

But we have much more to do, and we must sustain our organization in order to continue achieving our goals. Let's work together to increase membership and donations. Please help me identify funding sources so we can create new opportunities through a sustainable organization. Most importantly, please continue the great individual work you all are doing, and bring your results to AVA so we can disseminate the information you create.

A Note from Tasneem Ismailji, MD, MPH AVA President

2012 has been an exhilarating stride in the journey of building AVA into a flourishing organization that keeps its focus on advancing our mission and vision.

As we build our community, significantly increasing our membership and their involvement in AVA, I am heartened by the conversations with so many people dedicated to increasing wellness and ameliorating the adverse health effects of violence and abuse. AVA is, as such a gathering place for health professionals and friends passionately engaged in this work.

We have toured the country conducting standing room only workshops using the ACEs DVD as a teaching tool for educating health professionals, policy makers and the public. Our Faculty Development Workshops have been rich with discussions of how to carve out a successful career in the field of violence and abuse. The research reviews and core competencies continue to be popular publications. We have show cased member publications in peer reviewed journals and we are building an online infrastructure with a new website that will have additional resources and capacities for member involvement. Stay tuned!

2012 AVA Accomplishments

- Increased AVA Membership by 77%.
- Distributed over 900 copies of the ACE Study DVD and held four nation-wide workshops to educate Health Professionals, Policy Makers and the Public on the health effects of exposure to violence and abuse.
- Created the AVA Scholar program. Accepted three Scholars, Joan Doris, Stacy Ellen and Nora Montalvo Liendo, who will be mentored by AVA Board members. The Scholars will attend the 2013 AVA Conference with the mentors and will present their research at the 2015 AVA Conference.
- Conducted three Faculty Development Workshops throughout the country to help promote the careers of promising new champions in the field of violence and abuse research.
- Finalized planning for the 2013 AVA Conference "Addressing Violence & Abuse in the Changing Healthcare Environment" to be held April 18–20, 2013 in Minneapolis.
- Completed the AVA Core Competencies monograph based on the "Competencies Needed by Health Professionals to Address Exposure to Violence and Abuse in Patient Care" (published in 2011) and was invited to submit for publication by the American Journal of Public Health.
- Created and published the AVA Research Reviews: A peer-reviewed high quality and relevant monthly electronic Review of violence and abuse literature published within the preceding calendar year.
- Highlights of the 2011 Conference "The Developing Science of Violence and Abuse: Toward a New Understanding" proceedings were accepted for publication in the journal Trauma, Violence and Abuse.
- Hosted AVA Meet and Greets in San Diego, San Francisco and Minneapolis.

2013 AVA New Initiatives

- Host the Biennial Scientific Conference" Addressing Violence and Abuse in the Changing Healthcare Environment", as well as four half-day workshops on. The conference will also bring together leaders in the field for a Circle of Leaders forum, which will to discuss advancing partnerships and collaborations to reduce the health harms of violence and abuse.
- Grow our AVA community.
- New AVA Website! The new site will help foster communication among the growing community of AVA Members and will house new resources such as a library of Vimeo presentations and tutorials.
- Complete the compilation and publication of the Intimate Partner Interventions compendium.
- Publish the white paper "Beyond ACEs: Healing and Health".
- Continue work on the Faculty Development and ACEs DVD Workshops, Research Reviews and AVA Scholar Program.

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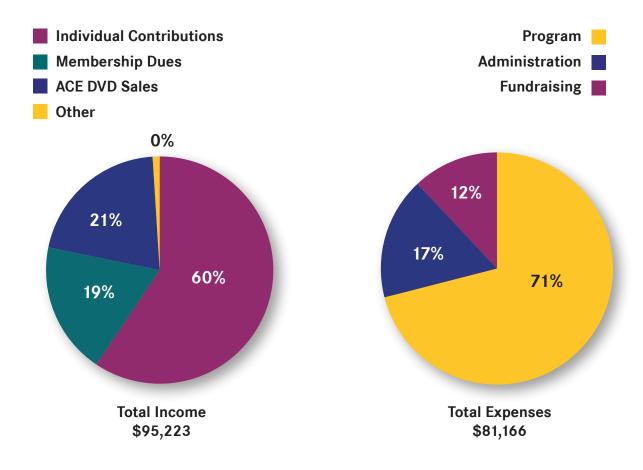
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Academy on Violence and Abuse – 2012 Financial Report

BEGINNING NET ASSETS	\$49,898
INCOME	
Individual Contributions	\$56,749
ACE DVD Sales (Net)	\$19,900
Membership Dues	\$17,915
Other	\$659
Total Income	\$95,223
EXPENSES	
Program	\$57,668
Administration	\$14,070
Fundraising	\$9,428
Total Expenses	\$81,166

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\$63,955



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AVA Mission

The Academy on Violence and Abuse (AVA) exists to advance health education and research on the prevention, recognition and treatment of the health effects of violence and abuse.



ADVANCING HEALTH EDUCATION & RESEARCH

AVA Vision

By improving health professional education and research in the areas of violence and abuse, the Academy will integrate this knowledge into the training of all health professionals so as to improve health care for all people, to protect the most vulnerable among us and to advance health and social policy that promotes safe families, workplaces and communities. The AVA strives to be an academic leader in addressing the education needs of health professionals regarding violence and abuse and focusing on minimizing the effects of violence and abuse on people's health.

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AVA is a non-profit, academic, membership-based organization. Our membership includes a variety of health care professionals, representing various facets of the health care field. We continue to expand health education and research and integrate knowledge about violence and abuse into the training of all health professionals to promote safe families, safe workplaces and safe communities.



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