# 2014 Annual Report

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# A Note from Tasneem Ismailji, MD, MPH AVA Chair

What a stunning year 2014 has been! All of our efforts at AVA are leading to advancing our mission and vision. As we travel around our nation educating communities and health professionals, I continue to be energized with the growing interest from all people regarding the adverse health effects of violence and abuse.

Our organization's energy is generated by the countless hours of time, talent and resources, both cash and intangibles donated by our board, members, families and friends. Thank you, our AVA community!

At the very heart of our organization are the tireless efforts of Karla and her family. A very big thank-you from all of us!

# A Note from Dave Corwin, MD AVA President

**2014 was a very productive year and 2015 looks even more promising!** The Ohio AVA Regional Academies in Ashland and Akron led by Board Member, Steve Stone, with the participation of Vince Felitti, Randy Alexander, Tasneem Ismailji and myself, were very successful and have shown us an important new way to further our

mission! These Academies combined our presentations with local authorities and stakeholders in a format designed to stimulate ongoing community action to prevent and address violence and abuse. Steve has written a manual and checklist to assist those interested in organizing similar community efforts. The manual and checklist are posted on our AVA website under the Regional Academies tab.

In October, just before our Member's Meeting, several AVA members including: Randy Alexander, Brooks Keeshin, Kathy Franchek-Roa, Tasneem Ismailji and myself participated in a community symposium in Salt Lake City, Utah. The symposium was entitled "Health and Resilience: Growing A Trauma Informed Community." Susie Wiet, a child and addiction psychiatrist in private practice in Salt Lake City, chairs the community group that organized the symposium on was led by. Susie did a tremendous job leading the group and conducting the symposium. The entire symposium can be viewed on the AVA's website under the Regional Academy video tab. Susie continues to chair the Utah group, now called the Trauma-Resilience Collaborative. Members of the collaborative some of whom are also AVA members are already planning to assist by speaking at several more community trainings throughout 2015. AVA members also helped plan and have or will participate in regional and international meetings addressing violence, abuse, and other traumas including: Ft. Peck, Montana; Seoul, Korea; Rochester, NY; Hong Kong, China; and Tampa, FL the day before our Global Summit in Jacksonville.







Brooks and Kathy also co-chaired a very successful AVA Members' meeting on October 16 to 18 in Salt Lake City at the University of Utah. The meeting included ample opportunity for discussing current controversies in our field and getting to know each other better during a Halloween night at Red Butte Gardens and a visit to Utah's new Museum of Natural History next door. Those activities were a gift from Kathy and her husband, Ben Roa. Brooks and his wife, Susana, hosted an evening reception at their home for all conference attendees. Some of the lessons from this AVA Member's Meeting will be incorporated into our Global Summit being planned for Jacksonville, Florida on November 5 to 7, 2015. AVA's President-Elect, Randy Alexander, and AVA's next President-Elect, Aggi Tiwari are co-chairing the Gobal Summit.

Megan Bair-Merritt, and other AVA members involved as mentors and committee members in the AVA Scholars Program selected another class of AVA Scholars including Rachel Gilgoff, Betty Lai, and Hanni Stoklosa. Susan Kelley's leadership and member contributors assured that AVA's Research Reviews continue to be one of AVA's most popular Internet offerings.

ACEs: Informing Best Practices developed by AVA and the National Health Collaborative on Violence and Abuse (NHCVA), an online "collaborative living learning document" designed to provide succinct information and hyperlinked references about the Adverse Childhood Experiences Study and what can be done to help those who experience ACEs, progressed in its development throughout 2014 was posted on the AVA's website as Version 1.0 on 3/15/15. It was presented to NHCVA at its Washington D.C. meeting on 3/18/15 and the following day to around 100 attendees at the AVA ACEs preconference during the first day of the Futures Without Violence Health Conference in D.C. Check it out and tell your colleagues and others where to find it on our AVA website. We are grateful to the 30+ contributing authors and co-authors who have made that document such a valuable resource for the world.

In summary, AVA members are working hard to advance AVA's mission in many ways. In all these efforts, Karla Vaughan, our amazing Administrative Director worked diligently in her warm and efficient way to assist AVA and its members! We are grateful to Karla and her family for the years she worked for AVA and contributed in so many ways. We wish her the best in her new job! As this annual report is finalized for our 2015 Global Summit in Jacksonville, we are welcoming AVA's new Administrator, Julie Smith. Julie is working hard to learn all the processes and tasks needed to keep AVA running and advancing. Thank you Julie!

We continue to reach out and recruit new members as we strive to make AVA an ongoing success. If you know colleagues who share our mission and vision, please let them know about the AVA and encourage them to join us. AVA is its members. The relationships among ourselves and with all the people we interact with outside the AVA are the most important way we pursue our mission of reducing the harms associated with violence and abuse.

Kind regards,

Dave Corwin, MD, President October 22, 2015



## **2014 AVA Accomplishments**

- **First AVA Members Meeting** Convened the first AVA Members' Meeting, "*Controversies and Challenges in Addressing Violence and Abuse Across the Lifespan*" in Salt Lake City, Utah.
- ACEs: Informing Best Practices Compiled and edited the ACEs: Informing Best Practice online collaborative learning document.
- Workshops Conducted the Leadership Development and ACEs DVD Workshops at multiple national conferences.
- Expanded the AVA Scholars Program Selected three new scholars to be mentored by AVA members, attend the 2015 AVA Summit and present their research at the 2017 AVA Summit.
- Regional Academies The Utah Health and Resilience Symposium was held in Salt Lake City, Utah in October 2014.
- **Research Reviews** Distributed monthly, reviews on curated publications.

## **2015 AVA Initiatives**

- ACEs: Informing Best Practice Will publish on the AVA website, the ACEs: Informing Best Practice online collaborative learning document to help healthcare, clinicians, institutions, policy makers and funders identify and address adverse childhood experiences.
- **Global Scientific Summit** Planning a two-day Global Scientific Summit in Jacksonville, Florida on November 5th–7th.
- New Regional Academies Regional academies will be held in Rochester, NY; Tulsa, OK; Tampa, FL; and South Korea with local sponsors and partners.
- Updated AVA Website Revamping the website to help foster communication among the growing community of AVA Members.
- **AVA Scholars Program** The first cohort of three scholars will present their research projects at the 2015 Global Scientific Summit.
- AVA Global Chapter Development of the first regional global Australia chapter
- Workshops Conduct the Leadership Development and ACEs DVD workshops at multiple national conferences.
- **Research Reviews** Continue monthly reviews on curated publications.
- Launch Institutional Membership Packages A way for interested organizations to pay for a number of their staff to belong to AVA with one annual payment from the institution.
- Promote Institutional Licenses for the AVA ACE videos online.

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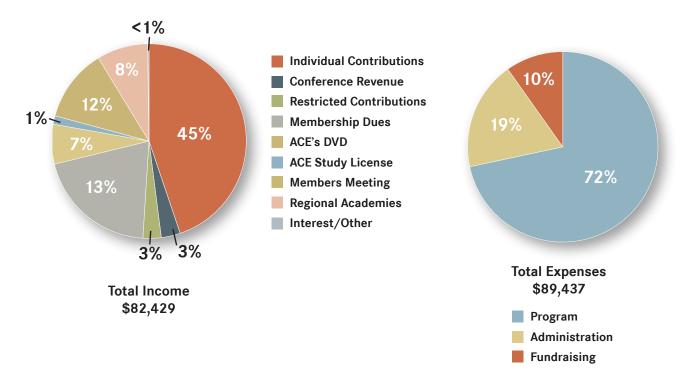
Senior Director & Founder, Gundersen National Child Protection Training Center, Winona, MN



## Academy on Violence and Abuse – 2014 Financial Report

BEGINNING NET ASSETS	\$97,525
INCOME	
Individual Contributions	\$36,937
Conference Revenue	\$2,610
Restricted Contributions – Scholars	\$2,500
Membership Dues	\$16,637
ACE's DVD	\$5,436
ACE Study License	\$1,151
Members Meeting	\$9,980
Regional Academies	\$7,000
Interest/Other	\$177
Total Revenues	\$82,429
EXPENSES	
Program	\$64,080
Administration	\$16,581
Fundraising	\$8,776
Total Expenses	\$89,437

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\$90,517



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#### Share our mission.

Increased awareness regarding the effects of violence and abuse on health is critical. Please help us by sharing this information with your colleagues and friends.

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**AVA is a non-profit, academic, membership-based organization.** Our membership includes a variety of health care professionals, and individuals who are committed to the mission and vision of the Academy. 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.





## **AVA Mission**

The mission of the AVA is to advance health education and research on the prevention, recognition, and treatment of those affected by violence and abuse across the lifespan.

## **AVA Vision**

The vision of the AVA is that the prevention of violence and abuse, as well as it identification and care, is fully integrated into healthcare and society so that people of all ages are safer and healthier.



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