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2010 Annual Report



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A Note From Dave McCollum, MD AVA Chair

Another year has come and gone faster than ever. As I look back at what we've accomplished, I'm proud that we have been true to our mission. We continued to develop the work called for in the blueprint, "Building Academic Capacity and Expertise." We are grateful for the efforts of Dr. Bruce Ambuel and his committee in establishing a common set of

core-competencies that can be applied across the spectrum of health disciplines. The Faculty Development initiative is a vital necessity and a core piece of the work of AVA, and Chair Dr. David Schneider and his committee have made significant headway. We have increased the resources available on our web site, and have worked on a variety of methods to bring a contemporary understanding of violence and abuse, as it impacts health and wellness, to both professionals and the public. We've met with numerous groups with overlapping interests, engaged a variety of political staff to inform them of the importance of understanding the health perspective around violence and abuse, and have presented to a variety of organizations that have asked to hear about our work. AVA is here to pull all of these issues together within the academic perspective and to provide a common home to all health related professions to work for a healthier society.

A Note from Bob Block, MD, FAAP AVA President

I am pleased to report that AVA has now completed its fifth successful year. Membership is at the highest level ever and we are looking forward to an outstanding 2011. The Education, Research and Scientific Program Committee is about to publish AVA's newest document, "Competencies Needed by Health



Professionals for Addressing Exposure to Violence and Abuse in Patient Care." This description of what health professionals need to understand about violence and abuse has been widely acclaimed and will serve as an important incentive to the integration of teaching about abuse into the health professions curricula. This committee has also done an outstanding job of preparing for the 2011 scientific conference, The Developing Science of Violence and Abuse: Toward a New Understanding. I think the time is right, the groundwork has been laid, and the climate is right for AVA's message to be heard. Over the next few years, I expect to see all of the health professions incorporate that message into how they understand the concept of patient centered care. As I finish out my term as AVA's third president, and assume my duties as President of the American Academy of Pediatrics, I want to express my gratitude to all of those hardworking AVA members who helped make my tenure as your president a success.

Scientific Fact:

Women who were victims of childhood abuse may be at increased risk of developing diabetes in adulthood. (Am J Prev Med, 12/2010)

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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.

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.

A Brief History

In 2002 the Institute of Medicine report, Confronting Chronic Neglect: the Education and Training of Health Professionals on Family Violence, cited the need for a professional organization to champion the integration of teaching about violence and abuse into all health care training programs. In response, members of the AMA's National Advisory Council on Violence came together, with assistance from the Family Violence Prevention Fund (FVPF), to create the Academy on Violence and Abuse.

AVA Initiatives:

- Conduct a major scientific conference on the developing science of abuse highlighting recent findings in neuroscience and brain development
- Publish and disseminate core Competencies Needed By Health Professionals For Addressing Exposure To Violence And Abuse In Patient Care
- Present the AVA career development program at major conferences
- Produce ACES Youtube and video presentation(s) on the lifetime effects of violence and abuse
- Disseminate a major scientific paper on the shift from correlation of violence and health effects to the mechanisms of causation
- Expand the COLEVA (Consequences of Lifetime Exposure to Violence and Abuse) online evidence base
- Produce Public Service Announcements designed to educate the public and providers on the health effects of abuse
- Conduct a series of webinars featuring expert presentations on how violence and abuse affects health
- Develop additional online CME courses on IPV detection and prevention

Scientific Fact:

Child/teen sexual and physical abuse linked to fibroids in premenopausal women. (Epidemiology, 2010)

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Our goal: safe families, workplaces and communities

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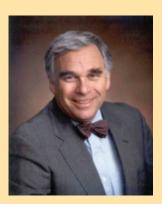
Scientific Fact:

Prenatal exposure to maternal depression and cortisol influences infant temperament (J Am Ac Child Adolesc Psych, 6/2007)

AVA Distinguished Scholar Award

Awarded in recognition of your exemplary contributions to advancing education and research on the prevention, recognition and treatment of the health effects of violence and abuse and for your dedication to promoting safe families, workplaces and communities.

Richard D. Krugman, MD is vice chancellor for health affairs for the University of Colorado Denver. He became dean of the



CU School of
Medicine on
March 1, 1992,
after serving as
acting dean for
20 months. He is
now the second
longest serving
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dean in the U.S.

Dr. Krugman graduated from Princeton, earned

his medical degree at New York University School of Medicine and did his internship and residency in pediatrics at the CU School of Medicine before joining its faculty in 1973.

Krugman served as Director of the Kempe Center from 1981 to 1992 and as Editor-in-Chief of *Child Abuse and Neglect* from 1987 to 2002. He has served on many boards, including the AVA's, and received many awards. He is a member of the U.S. Institute of Medicine and served on the Committee that produced its 2001 report "Confronting Chronic Neglect: the Education and Training of Health Professionals on Family Violence."

Jacquelyn Campbell, PhD, RN, FAAN is widely regarded as one of the preeminent leaders in the field of scientific research into

the causes and effects of violence and abuse. Dr. Campbell is the Anna D. Wolf Chair and Professor at the prestigious Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing and holds a joint appointment at the Bloomberg School of Public Health.



Dr. Campbell has been conducting innovative and important research in the area of domestic violence and sexual assault since 1980. She has served as Principal Investigator on at least ten major research projects funded by the National Institutes of Health, the National Institute of Justice and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Campbell has also been a lead author for over 220 peer-reviewed articles and seven books on this subject. She is an elected member of the U.S. Institute of Medicine and of the American Academy of Nursing. She is currently Chair of the Board of Directors of the Family Violence Prevention Fund and serves on the Board of the House of Ruth Battered Women's Shelter. In 2006, she was awarded the Friends of the National Institute of Nursing Research Pathfinder Award. Dr. Campbell was instrumental in the creation of the Academy on Violence and Abuse in 2004.

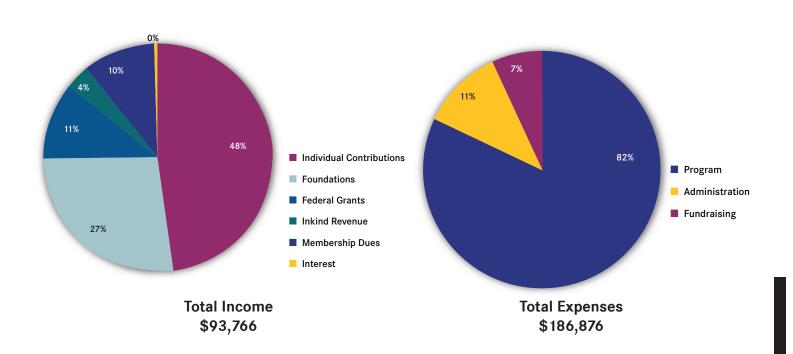
Scientific Fact:

Childhood traumatic stress increases the likelihood of hospitalization with a diagnosed autoimmune disease decades into adulthood.

(Psychosomatic med, 2009)

Academy on Violence and Abuse – 2010 Financial Report

BEGINNING NET ASSETS	\$ 152,335
INCOME	
Individual Contributions	\$44,824
Foundations	\$25,300
Federal Grants	\$10,314
Inkind Revenue	\$3,240
Membership Dues	\$9,675
Interest	\$413
Total Income	\$93,766
EXPENSES	
Program	\$158,976
Administration	\$21,556
Fundraising	\$6,541
Total Expenses	\$186,876
ENDING NET ASSETS	\$59,224





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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.

Make a donation. Use the enclosed envelope to send your donation or go to www. avahealth.org, click on Support Our Mission.

Scientific Fact:

There is a robust association between childhood physical abuse and Osteoarthritis in adulthood (Arthritis and Rheumatism, 11/2009)



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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