

ACEs Health Champions Network Educate, Inspire, Connect

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ACEs Health Champions Network

It is a system of interconnected non-profit organizations.

These organizations share the mission to address and prevent the health effects of violence and abuse throughout the life course.

Convene regular virtual Gatherings with an expert presenter on a Hot Topic in the field of violence and abuse educating and leading discussions among the participants.

Purpose

The purpose of the ACEs Health Champions Network (AHCN) is to educate, inspire and connect as we build a community of health-focused individuals, organizations, and others dedicated to:

- Addressing the effects of and preventing Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) and toxic stress,
- Improving access to trauma-informed care,
- Assessing and enhancing individual, family, and community strengths and protective factors,
- Identifying and incorporating Positive Childhood Experiences (PCE),
- Sharing and disseminating evolving knowledge, and
- The promotion of healing from the health effects of violence and abuse throughout the life course.

AVA's Role

AVA initiated the novel concept of a Network of interconnected non-profit organizations to educate health professionals and others.

AVA provides the virtual platform and staff to design the invitations, provide technical support for zoom meetings, and store the recordings with closed captions in English and Spanish and presentation slides on avahealth.org

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Organizations and Leaders in the AHC Network

Academy on Violence and Abuse (AVA) Team member: *Tasneem Ismailji* (Lead), Randy Alexander.

American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children (APSAC) Team member: *Sue Hardie*.

California Chapter of the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children (CAPSAC) Team member: *Colleen Friend*.

Zero Abuse Project Team member: Tyler Council.

Champion of Champions- Suzanne Frank.

In the pipeline- New York Foundling, Sacred Spaces, Esperanza United, and American Academy of Pediatrics California Chapter 1

Benefits for the Organizations

- Organizations participate in a planning team identifying "Hot Topics," obtaining presenters, hosting, and promoting the Gatherings.
- Organizations in the Network can link to the recordings of the Gatherings to educate their organizations and communities.
- Organizations connect with each other and expand the Network.

The "Nuts & Bolts"

To encourage participant engagement and interaction:

- The Hot Topic poses a provocative question,
- Presentations are limited to no more than 20-minutes and approximately 10 slides,
- Polling questions are interspersed throughout the presentation, and
- Ample time is allowed for questions, discussion and sharing.

This model has proven successful in educating, inspiring, and connecting our participants.

ACEs Health Champions Gatherings

Date	Hot Topic	Presenter	RSVP	Participants
09/24/21	Spirituality-The Missing Link to Resilience	Shira Berkovits, Esq, PhD	355	104
12/03/21	Can You Assess ACEs and Trauma in Nonverbal Individuals with Disabilities?	Scott Modell, PhD	222	71
01/21/22	Effect of COVID 19 on Domestic Violence & Homelessness: Prevention and Treatment Strategies	Doncy J. Eapen, PhD, MSN,APRN,FNP-BC	301	147
03/18/22	Is Trauma Assessment the Key to Providing Better Healthcare?	Martina Jelley MD, MSPH,FACP	247	125
04/08/22	Hot Topic: Can No Hit Zones Prevent ACEs and promote Positive Childhood Experiences(PCEs)?	Randell Alexander, PhD, MD Suzanne Frank, MD	201	95

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Date	Hot Topic	Presenter	RSVP	Participants
05/20/22	Hot Topic: Part 1 - Can Early Intervention in Intergenerational Trauma Improve Health and Save Lives?	Nora Montalvo-Liendo PhD, RN, FAAN	301	147
06/23/22	Hot Topic: Part 2 - Parental ACEs and PCEs in Pediatric Primary Care	R.J. Gillespie, MD, MHPE, FAAP	324	112
09/02/22	Hot Topic: Can Trauma-Informed Care Training Impact Behavioral Health Graduate Students?	Ginger Meyer, MSW, LCSW, CCTP	186	89
10/07/22	Hot Topic: How does a community service organization educate health professionals about Domestic Violence and develop partnerships?	Erica Villa	212	93
			2349	954

Upcoming AHC Gatherings

Special Two-Part Gatherings

November 7, 2022 12:00pm - 1:00pm PT

Stuart Hart, PhD and Amy Slep, PhD.

Hot Topic: Part 1 - Is psychological maltreatment a primary driver of harm and violence?

December 16, 2022 12:00pm - 1:00pm PT

Marla Brassard, PhD.

Hot Topic: Part 2 - When is poor parenting psychological maltreatment?

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Questions?