

*Thirtieth Annual IUN Forum on Child Abuse & Neglect*  
*Reframing "Child Welfare"*  
September 25 – October 30, 2020

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The 2020 IUN Forum has gone virtual. Originally scheduled for April 24, postponed until September 25, the forum will be virtual this year and will extend through October to make available a variety of events of interest to advocates for children and families.

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**September 25 -- Opening Plenary Webinar**

**9:00 – 9:15 -- Welcome / Introductions / Guest Presentations**

Special Guests -- **Terry Stigdon**, Director, Indiana Department of Child Services  
**Sharon Pierce**, CEO, Prevent Child Abuse Indiana

**9:15 – 10:15 -- 1<sup>st</sup> Keynote Address / Reaction / Q&A – Strengthening Children and Families Through Primary Prevention -- Mr. Jerry Milner, Associate Commissioner, (US) Children's Bureau, Administration for Children and Families.**

Jerry Milner is the Associate Commissioner at the Children's Bureau. He has worked in child welfare at county, state and federal levels, and in the private sector for over 40 years. Prior to returning to Administration for Children and Families, he served as the Vice President for Child Welfare Practice at the Center for the Support of Families, where he assisted state and local child welfare agencies in evaluating their child welfare programs, and designed and implemented improvements in practice, policy and procedures.

**10:15 – 10:25 – Part One Closing Remarks and Notes**

**Intermission – 10:25 -- 10-40**

**10:40-12:00 -- 2<sup>nd</sup> Keynote Address / Q&A -- The Restorative Approach to ACE's -- Ms. Monica Evans, Trainer, Restorative Practices and Crisis Intervention and Trauma Response**

Monica Evans is a former teacher and a retired Detroit police officer with extensive experience in youth violence prevention and intervention, community policing, and training. She works to help communities, youth, parents, faith-based groups, law enforcement, and educators work with challenging behavior and personalities. She uses multifaceted approaches including Restorative Practices and leadership principles from Tony Dungy, Les Brown, Stephen Covey and others.

**Register for the Plenary Session (both parts) by clicking here --**

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**October 2020 IUN Forum Webinar Workshops**

**October 2, 2020 (9:00 – 10:30 AM – Central)**  
**The Restorative Approach to Situational Crisis**  
**Monica Evans**

This session will review methods to intervene and address stresses and anxiety related to situational crisis in which a disruption in emotional well-being has occurred; this will include de-escalation and communication techniques. The session will explore intervention strategies and methods for assessing the presence of negative behaviors related to disruptions in emotional well-being.

Register in advance for this webinar – October 2, 2020 -- 9:00 – 10:30 AM Central:

[https://iu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_GiTA7xTPSW-MiLZoqAp40Q](https://iu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_GiTA7xTPSW-MiLZoqAp40Q)

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**October 9, 2020 (9:00 – 10:30 AM – Central)**  
**Domestic Violence, Animal Abuse and Child Abuse and Neglect**  
**Andrew Campbell**

The presenter will review research on the links between domestic violence, animal abuse and child abuse and neglect including his own research in Indiana. He will explore the special challenges presented by Covid-19 and the opportunities for new collaborations in the domestic violence / animal abuse / child abuse and neglect arena. He will also describe his own experience with domestic violence and abuse and how it inspired his career choices and research.

Register in advance for this webinar – October 9, 2020 – 9:00 – 10:30 AM Central:

[https://iu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_7k6oRRixScW8acFKG9Fk4g](https://iu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_7k6oRRixScW8acFKG9Fk4g)

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**October 16, 2020 (9:00 – 10:30 AM – Central)**  
**Implicit Bias and Institutional Racism: Making the Connection**  
**Brenda Graves-Croom**  
**Joann Price, Jená Bellezza, Naara Olivero, and Anthony McDonald**

This workshop and panel discussion will help participants to: 1) make the connection between implicit bias within institutions and institutional/structural racism; and 2) address strategies for combatting institutional/structural racism. It will review how implicit bias manifests within institutions and how it may contribute to institutional/structural racism when left unchecked. Participants will address the importance of educating justice, child welfare, education, and health/mental health colleagues on implicit bias and how to operationalize knowledge of implicit bias to change the culture, policies, practices and procedures of agencies and offices. Finally, this workshop will address solutions to institutional/structural racism with strategies such as education, communications, policy changes, advocacy, equity, cultural diversity, and inclusion.

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**October 23, 2020 (9:00 – 10:30 AM – Central)**  
**Parenting While Poor: Product of Poverty**  
**Jená Bellezza**

Is poverty indicative of neglect or an unsafe environment? Is chaos? Appearances can be deceiving. Jená Bellezza reviews what cared for and safe can look like, despite perspectives to the contrary. She will also discuss with participants what questions we can ask parents to ascertain if the issue is neglect or ignorance, two states that from the other side often look similar. In addition, what deficiencies are each state actually revealing, and what can be done to address any deficiencies. Sometimes, things are not as they appear.

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**October 30, 2020**

**Using the CDC's Essentials for Childhood Framework to Promote Great Childhoods  
for All  
Bart Klika,**

This session provides a detailed history of our country's response to the problem of child abuse and neglect. It reviews our efforts to establish a system of response and surveillance and to build an evidence base on intervention initiatives. The presenter then reviews the Center for Disease Control's (CDC) Essentials for Childhood framework and provides insights into how we can use the framework to address the root causes of adverse childhood experiences (ACE's), change social norms, and develop a system for preventing child sexual abuse.

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## **Registration / CEU's / Certificates of Participation**

All registrations will be handled through Zoom using the links above (and repeated below). Social Work CEU credits for the events are as follows: Plenary session – September 25 -- 3 units; October Workshops – 1.5 units each. Access to the CEU certificates and Certificates of Participation will be granted through a link in the chat box at the end of the event. Session moderators will provide detailed instructions on getting the certificates at the beginning and end of each session.

Some sessions may be recorded and made available for review later. CEU credit CANNOT, however, be granted for viewing a recorded session. For further information about CEU's please contact Marshelia Harris at [mdharris@iun.edu](mailto:mdharris@iun.edu). For problems with printing certificates contact Chitona at The Villages -- (219) 762-3465.

### **Registration Links (Repeated for convenience)**

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