

“Sexual behaviour problems in children under 12” by Dr. Costin & Dr. Curwen

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Location: Toronto, Ontario

Sponsoring Agencies

Toronto Sexual Abuse Treatment Programs (CASAT, SAFE-T, SASAT, TALK, WESAT & BOOST)

Event Description

This 2 day workshop will focus on the clinical skills necessary to conduct a comprehensive assessment and provide treatment of sexual behaviour problems in children. The presenters will provide an overview of the research, discuss current best practices, and use case examples to illustrate strategies to assess and treat children with sexual behaviour problems. Understanding research is key to providing evidence-based practice in the assessment and treatment of children (<12 years of age) presenting with sexual behaviour problems.

This two day training will (a.) Lay the foundation to provide an overview of the research and empirically based, Best Practice Guidelines for assessment and treatment; (b.) Outline empirical evidence regarding what to assess and who might be at risk to continue once identified; (c.) Identify the roles of multi-systems in assessment and treatment i.e., who needs to be involved and how (i.e., caregivers, systems, schools, other professionals); (d.) Treatment options, strategies and tools.

Dr. Dana Costin Ph.D. C. Psych is a registered clinical and forensic psychologist who specializes in assessment and treatment of adolescents who have sexually offended, children and adolescents who have experienced trauma, children exhibiting sexualized behaviours, and their families. She has provided training and she has also recently co-authored a book chapter focused on risk-related issues in children with concerning sexual behaviours.

Dr. Tracey Curwen, Ph.D. has worked in the field of sexual abuse for over 15 years and she has authored and co-authored a number of manuscripts and provided trainings on the characteristics of sexually offending adolescents, treatment outcomes, and risk assessment protocols. Dr. Curwen is validating a risk assessment protocol she developed for children identified for sexual behaviour problems as well as investigating why some young victims of sexual abuse engage in problematic sexual behaviours while others do not. Dr. Curwen is Assistant Professor of Psychology at Nipissing University.

Cost is \$125 for Quadrant member agencies, \$125 for students, and \$150 for all others. (Funds is in Canadian dollars)

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