

## ESSENTIALS FOR PARENTING TODDLERS AND PRESCHOOLERS



### Essentials for Parenting

Essentials for Parenting Toddlers and Preschoolers is a free, online resource developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Parents learn skills that form the foundation of a positive parent-child relationship. Skills focus on encouraging good behavior, while decreasing misbehavior using proven strategies like positive communication, structure and rules, clear directions, and consistent discipline and consequences. Using these skills and techniques can reduce parenting stress and provide parents with ways to handle their child's misbehavior. For more information, visit [www.cdc.gov/parents/essentials](http://www.cdc.gov/parents/essentials).

### WE NEED YOUR RESOURCE GUIDES!

An essential component of the 1-800-CHILDREN Helpline is the resource database. We want the database to be as complete and comprehensive as possible to best serve your community.

Do you have a community resource guide or are you familiar with resources in your area? If so, please send the information or link to Lia Scott at [lscott19@student.gsu.edu](mailto:lscott19@student.gsu.edu)

## PARENT CAFÉ: CORE ELEMENTS WEBINAR

Prevent Child Abuse Georgia (PCA Georgia) is hosting its quarterly webinar on Monday, June 16th at 1:30 PM. In this webinar, Sheltering Arms Georgia Training Institute Director/Vice President, Diane Bellem, will provide an overview of the core elements of Parent Café

Parent Café is an innovative process for building the protective factors that keep families strong. These protective factors help mitigate the negative impact of trauma. Additionally, Parent Café builds social ties and uses empathy to decrease the impact of trauma. Relationship building among parents is the heart of the Parent Café and positive social connections is one of the Protective Factors that's explicitly taught through the Parent Café. Click [here](#) for registration.

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**Prevent Child Abuse**  
**Georgia Conference**  
September 11, 2014  
Atlanta Marriott  
Century Center

## LEND YOUR VOICE! PCA GEORGIA PRE-CONFERENCE PLANNING

***We need your opinion!***

What workshops are you interested in attending at the Prevent Child Abuse Georgia's Third Annual Conference on September 11th, 2014?

Please click on the following link to share your preferences and ideas.

[PCAGA Pre-Conference Survey](#)

## PCA GEORGIA— WE'RE SOCIAL!

Prevent Child Abuse Georgia (PCA Georgia) recently re-vamped our Facebook page and we need your support! Please **visit our page [here](#)** for



upcoming information and happenings and don't forget to like us!

## NEWS FROM PCA AMERICA

Prevent Child Abuse America (PCAA) and Healthy Families America held The National Conference for America's Children May 18th to May 22nd in Jacksonville, Florida. The primary focus of the conference was the healthy development of children and the requisite policy, training, and communications required to give America's children the healthiest starts possible.

## UNDERSTANDING VIOLENCE: A FREE, ONLINE COURSE

Emory University professors, Pamela Scully and Deb Houry, will be instructing a six-week Coursera course on the issue of Understanding Violence. This free, online course will focus on different disciplinary approaches and perspectives to understanding and potentially preventing violence.

**Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:**

1. Demonstrate knowledge of the problem of violence in the U.S. and globally, as well as the long-term effects.
2. Analyze the causes of and associations with violence from a multidisciplinary perspective.
3. Explore different solutions and programs for the prevention of violence.

For **more information on the course and to register**, please click [here](#). The course begins on August 18th, 2014.

### SAVE THE DATE!

**Georgia Conference on Children and Families**

November 18-20, 2014

Hilton Atlanta Marietta Hotel & Conference Center

For more information, click [here](#).

## LEARNING DIFFERENCES AND OBSTACLES: WHAT GETS IN THE WAY OF READING?

Join [Voices for Georgia's Children](#) and [Georgia Children's Advocacy Network \(GA-CAN!\)](#) for the first **"Learning Differences and Obstacles: What gets in the way of reading?"** on Tuesday June 24th, from 1—3 PM at the Blue Room at the Freight Depot

This is a free event, but please **register [here](#)**.

This panel will open with a brief presentation by Stephanie Jones, the Marie and Max Kargman Associate Professor in Human Development and Urban Education Advancement at Harvard's Graduate School of Education.

## EXPLORING A YEAR OF OPENNESS: THE STIGMA OF FOSTER CARE

The next installment of the Child Welfare Legal Academy will be Wednesday, July 9, 2014 at 1:30-3:45 pm at Emory School of Law. A panel of former foster youth from Georgia EmpowerMENT will reflect on their experiences in foster care, particularly with respect to any stigma they experienced as a result of being labeled a "foster child." A facilitated discussion will follow with the goal of exploring the unintended consequences of laws and procedures designed to maintain confidentiality and protect the privacy of children and families. **To register for this event**, click [here](#).

Please note that the nonrefundable registration fee for all participants is \$10 and includes materials, 3-hour parking in the hospital visitor parking deck, and light refreshments.

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## RESOURCES AND TRAINING

**Governor's Office for Children and Families:** FREE Online Mandated Reporter Training. [Click here to access.](#)

**Children's Healthcare of Atlanta:** [Click here to register](#) for the free webinar "The Role of the Medical Provider in Child Abuse Cases " on June 25 at 1pm.

**Children's Healthcare of Atlanta and the Governor's Office for Children and Families:** Web-based training series for Georgia healthcare professionals on child sex trafficking . [Click here to register.](#)

**Darkness to Light:** [Click to view a list](#) of upcoming "Stewards of Children" child sexual abuse prevention trainings.

**University of Georgia Cooperative Extension:** Five "Healthy Relationship and Marriage Education Training" workshops will be offered throughout the state from April to August. The next workshop is June 13th in Savannah, GA. Visit <http://www.gamarriages.org/> for more information. To view a flyer, [click here.](#)

**Strengthening Families:** "How Strengthening Families Aligns With the Head Start Parent, Family and Community Engagement Framework" is available online. [Click here to read.](#)

## I-800-CHILDREN HELPLINE

The 1-800-CHILDREN Helpline began taking calls on February 26, 2014 and provides information and referral services for parents, caregivers and professionals interested in parenting, child maltreatment prevention and the healthy development of children.

Upcoming efforts will focus on increasing call volume by marketing the Helpline, continuing to build the resource database, verifying existing resources and assessing service and geographic gaps. [Click here for more information about the Helpline.](#)

PCA Georgia recently distributed promotional materials (rack cards and bookmarks) for the helpline. Contact Lia Scott at [lscott19@student.gsu.edu](mailto:lscott19@student.gsu.edu) for more information or if you would like to request any Helpline materials.



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