

The Bridge Children's Advocacy Center

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21st Annual Child Abuse Investigation Conference

Amarillo College West Campus
Lecture Hall
6222 W. 9th

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2011
8:30 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

Topic:

Emotional Survival

Increase your awareness of how a crisis oriented occupation impacts your

- ◆ work
- ◆ personal life
- ◆ family
- ◆ co-workers

Come away with strategies to combat cynicism and restore enthusiasm and passion to your profession.

Target Audience:

Professionals who:

- ◆ Investigate or work directly with cases of child abuse
- ◆ Have occupations where you or a family member respond to crisis situations or traumatic events

About Your Speaker

Dr. Kevin Gilmartin, PhD is a behavioral sciences and management consultant specializing in the law enforcement and public safety areas. He formerly spent twenty years in law enforcement in Tucson, Arizona. During his tenure, he supervised the Behavioral Sciences Unit and the Hostage Negotiations Team. He is a former recipient of the IACP-Parade Magazine National Police Officer Service Award for contributions during hostage negotiations. He presently maintains a consulting relationship with law enforcement agencies nationally in the U.S. and in Canada. He holds adjunct faculty positions with The University of Massachusetts Police Leadership Institute, and The Law Enforcement Management Institute of Texas at Sam Houston State University. He is a guest instructor at the FBI Academy in Quantico, Virginia and a faculty member of the FBI Law Enforcement Executive Development Institute (LEEDS, EDI and the National Executive Development Institute). He is retained by several Federal law enforcement agency critical incident response teams. He is a charter member of the IACP: Psychological Services Section and former vice-president of the Society of Police and Criminal Psychology. He holds a doctoral degree in clinical psychology from the University of Arizona. In addition to being the author of the book *Emotional Survival for Law Enforcement*, he is the author of numerous articles published by the Dept. of Justice, the IACP, and the FBI. He is a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps and resides in Portland, Oregon and Tucson, Arizona.

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Conference Agenda

8:00–8:30	Registration
10:15–10:30	Break
12:00-1:00	Lunch— <i>PROVIDED ON SITE</i>
2:30–2:45	Break
2:45–4:00	Evaluations, Questions and Wrap up

Dr. Gilmartin is a dynamic and entertaining speaker who will provide definitive insight, and strategies for overcoming the impact of dealing with crisis situations on a regular basis. This presentation is designed to assist professionals by the development of behavioral strategies to inoculate against loss of idealism and inappropriate behavior patterns. It will review the short and long-term effects on trauma oriented professions on both the personal and professional aspects of their lives. The course will discuss how the initial enthusiasm and desire to professionally contribute can be transformed into negative cynicism, social distrust and hostility to the world at large that significantly impacts the professionals work performance, decision-making and ultimately over-all quality of life. The course will also review the impact on the children of these professionals in terms of school functioning and health. The goal of the course is to have the professional review the potential impact the career causes in the personal life and to develop strategies for overall emotional survival. The strategies are designed to permit the professional to continue functioning effectively and ethically without “burning-out” and without resorting to emotional isolation from friends and colleagues.

The course addresses the dynamics that can transform within a matter of a few years, idealistic and committed employees into cynical, angry individuals who begin having difficulties in both the personal and professional aspects of their lives. The course outlines the issues that can potentially see professionals engaging in inappropriate behavior patterns and decision-making that leads to both administrative and can unfortunately in some people criminal difficulties.

The goal of the course is to provide information that lets agencies keep employees committed and engaged in productive work. The course also gives information to employees on how not to become a “*self-perceived victim*”, a descriptor for an employee that spends inordinate amounts of time resenting and resisting organizational and supervisory directive, as well as, suffering unnecessary destruction in the personal dimensions of their life.

Experience tells us that most agencies have to deal with inappropriate behavior on the part of some employees who previously had exemplary records, yet we find that agencies typically do not offer training in attempting to preserve idealism, motivation and overall emotional survival for it’s employees.

This course is originally designed for law enforcement, but can be applied to all professions where response to crisis situations occurs. This course is presented at all FBI LEEDS and Executive Development Institutes at the FBI Academy in Quantico, Virginia.

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Continuing Education Credits

Credit hours will be submitted to TCLEOSE and TJPC for approval.



This offering provides **6.0 contact hours for Nurses**. Amarillo College is approved as a provider of continuing education in nursing by the Texas Nurses Assoc., which is accredited as an approver of continuing education in nursing by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

Amarillo College is an approved provider through the Texas State Board of Social Workers and provides **0.60 CEUs for Social Workers**. Amarillo College provides **6.0 contact hours of continuing education (0.60 CEUs) for Licensed Professional Counselors**.

Registration Fee: \$40

FEE WAIVED for The Bridge Partner Agencies (Law enforcement, CPS, etc) thanks to generous donations from National Children's Alliance, Texas Dept of Family and Protective Services, & Hutchinson County United Way.

REGISTRATION FORM

Please Print

NAME: _____

EMPLOYER: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

ZIP: _____

PHONE #: _____

FAX #: _____

For CEUs

SS #: _____

DOB: _____

*Registration Form **MUST** be Completed even though Fee has been waived!!*

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