



17th Annual Child Abuse Prevention CONFERENCE

Amarillo, Texas

Presented in Recognition of Child Abuse Prevention Month (April)

**Tuesday
April 4, 2017**

8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Registration/Check-In begins at 7:45 a.m.

FEATURING

Lisa Aronson Fontes, PhD

**Child Abuse and Culture:
Working with Diverse Families**

Phylip J. Peltier

**Forensic Bite Marks &
Suspicious Burn Injuries**



Amarillo College

Criminal Justice Programs

Cost: \$30.00 (Lunch included)

PRPC-sponsored for qualifying law enforcement officers.

Location: **Amarillo Civic Center
Heritage Room**
401 S. Buchanan
Amarillo, Texas 79101

*Located in the northeast corner of the Civic Center at entrances 3/4;
driving directions and map available at www.civicamarillo.com*

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Target Audience/CEUs: Probation officers, school resource/law enforcement officers who work with youth, caseworkers, CASA volunteers, counselors, teachers, school administrators, nurses, foster or adoptive parents, and all other related professionals.

No children allowed.

Amarillo College Center for Continuing Healthcare Education is an approved provider of continuing nursing education by the Texas Nurses Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

Credit hours will be submitted to TCOLE and TJJD for approval. CEUs will be awarded for Social Workers and LPC/LMFTs. Amarillo College is approved by the State Board of Educator Certification as a provider of Continuing Professional Education (CPE). Amarillo College is approved by the Texas Certification Board of Addiction Professionals Standards Committee, Provider Number 1743-06, to provide 6 hours general and CCJP credit. Expires 08/17. Complaints about provider or workshop content may be directed to the TCBAP Standards Committee, 1005 Congress Avenue, Ste. 460, Austin, Texas 78701, Fax Number (512) 476-7297. General CEUs will be awarded to all other participants for individual submission to their respective licensing agencies. For successful completion, this program must be attended in its entirety.

Handouts will not be provided at the conference in order to save paper/printing costs. They will be available for download at www.actx.edu/cj/cap from March 31 – April 14, 2017.

Lisa Aronson Fontes

Child Abuse and Culture: Working with Diverse Families



Lisa Aronson Fontes, PhD, has dedicated two decades to making the mental health, social service, and criminal justice systems more responsive to culturally diverse people. She is the author of the books: *Invisible Chains: Overcoming Coercive Control in Your Intimate Relationship*, *Interviewing Clients Across Cultures*, and *Child Abuse and Culture*. She has written numerous journal articles and chapters on cultural issues in child maltreatment and violence against women. She is a Senior Lecturer at the University of Massachusetts. She has worked as a family, individual, and group psychotherapist, and has conducted research in Santiago, Chile, and with diverse people in the United States. Dr. Fontes is fluent in Spanish and Portuguese. She is a popular conference speaker and workshop facilitator, and blogs for publications including *The Huffington Post* and *PsychologyToday.com*. Dr. Fontes completed a Fulbright Foundation Grant in Buenos Aires, Argentina. As a volunteer, Dr. Fontes has worked with Somali refugees and with homeless children in Massachusetts.

Discussing Child Maltreatment with Culturally Diverse Families

Discussing suspected maltreatment with children and families can be difficult and painstaking. These conversations often become more complicated when the professional and interviewee come from different cultural groups. This talk provides concrete examples and advice for conducting child abuse conversations and interviews in ways that welcome diverse families, and elicit the most accurate information possible.

Objectives

This presentation is designed to help participants:

- Extend an appropriate welcome to diverse children and families
- Ask questions in ways that make it easier for people to speak when English is not their native language
- Understand and know how to overcome cultural barriers in child abuse interviews
- Distinguish between harmless cultural variations and risk of abuse

Physical Abuse, Discipline & Culture

This presentation explores the delicate and controversial line between corporal punishment and physical abuse, and how ethnic culture influences our work on these issues. Participants learn practical techniques for helping families from all groups reduce their use of harsh parenting with their children. Examples will be drawn from African American, European American, Somali, Latino, Asian, and religious families.

Objectives

This presentation is designed to help participants:

- Understand the complex line between physical abuse and discipline
- Help families from diverse cultural groups reduce their use of harsh punishment with children
- Understand the ways in which corporal punishment is associated with harm to children
- Be able to employ new techniques to engage culturally diverse families in reducing their use of corporal punishment

Phylip J. Peltier

Forensic Bite Marks & Suspicious Burn Injuries



Phylip J. Peltier is an internationally known speaker, consultant and expert witness whose expertise is in suspicious burn injuries. He is now retired after more than 29 years of law enforcement service. His career combined the San Diego Police Department, San Diego County District Attorney's Office, and Butte County District Attorney's Office. Phyl began his P.O.S.T. training career in 1975 after graduating from the San Diego Police Academy. He became a certified Institute of Criminal Investigation (ICI) instructor in 1994. In 2004, Phyl became the ICI Core Course Administrator and remains in that position with the San Diego Regional Training Center. In 2005, Phyl graduated from the California Police Officer Standards of Training (P.O.S.T.) Master Instructor Development Program. He designs, presents and administers courses for P.O.S.T. Phyl developed the *Immersion Burn Evidence Worksheet* which has been distributed in all 50 states and 35 foreign countries. He has been an instructor in the investigation of child abuse as well as suspicious burn injuries since 1981.

Phyl is currently teaching, consulting, investigating, and giving expert testimony on criminal and civil cases in the United States and many international locations. He frequently presents at many national and international conferences.

Forensic Bite Marks

The aim of this presentation is to provide a brief overview of forensic bite mark recognition and analysis. Various styles of bite marks will be discussed, and photographs from case studies will be used for recognition and understanding. Emphasis will be placed on bite terminology, assessing the possibility of bite mark evidence, and the importance of reporting suspicions to the appropriate authorities for further investigation.

Suspicious Burn Injuries

This presentation will explore the investigation of suspicious burn injuries. The importance of the individual who has the first contact or identification of the burn and that of first responders will be discussed. Case examples will be used to provide a thorough understanding of the issue. Different types of burns will be defined and discussed along with case study support. Time, temperature, skin sensitivity, and the burn formula will be explored through these case studies. Emphasis will be placed on how to recognize burn injuries and when to contact appropriate authorities to report suspicious burns for additional investigation.

Objectives

At the end of this training, attendees will be able to:

- Recognize possible bite marks, and report their suspicions to the appropriate authorities
- Understand the importance and timeline for reporting suspicious bite marks related to evidence collection and pending follow-up investigations
- Determine types and degrees of burns and relate their findings to the satisfaction of the presenter
- Identify the importance of and priorities involved in reporting suspicious burn injuries to the appropriate authorities and compliance with guidelines regarding mandatory reporting
- Describe the necessity and legal responsibilities for reporting suspicious burn injuries, and the potential dangers involved when dealing with infant victims

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Child Abuse Prevention Advocates

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