

An Approved Provider of Category A Training for Social Workers  
ASWB ACE Provider #1100

# The Child Abuse Response Certificate Program

A Series of **Online** Workshops for the Community Professional  
Fall/Winter 2009-2010





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of Child Abuse

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## Program Overview

The Child Abuse Response Certificate Program was developed to respond to the needs of community professionals who may encounter abused children in their roles at work. Many professionals have requested training so that they can identify a child at risk, and can best assist in an investigation without jeopardizing criminal or child welfare proceedings. This intermediate to advanced program will support you in the challenging task of working with abused children and their families.

### The Child Abuse Response Certificate Program is a 30 hour program consisting of 5 core ONLINE workshops.

- Responding to Child Abuse
- Assessing Family Dynamics
- Understanding False Allegations
- The Psychopathology of the Abused Child
- Testifying as a Witness in Court

Certificates of participation are issued by The Canadian Society for the Investigation of Child Abuse (CSICA) for the completion of the full series, as well as electronic certificates for each individual workshop. Completion of activities (ungraded) is necessary in order to receive a certificate.

Please contact Alice Gifford at (403) 289-8385 if you need special program accommodations.

## Cost

\$125 per workshop.

## About the Online Experience

Each will consist of:

- 2 taped one-hour Breeze presentations (narrated Powerpoint presentations) viewed at your convenience
- 2 scheduled interactive live chatroom discussion/presentations online
- Readings
- Videoclips
- Discussion Forum postings



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## Advantages to Training Online

- Training is cost effective - 6 hours per module at a cost of \$125 for a total of \$625 for over 30 hours of quality training.
- No travelling costs for participants: Saving dollars on transportation, food, and accommodation. Training is highly cost effective.
- Most of the online course can be completed at the convenience of the participant. Scheduled shift work of participants is no problem.
- Effective multidisciplinary working relationships can be cultivated without the restrictions of geographical boundaries.
- Skilled and experienced instructors can be hired at less expense as their travel costs are not incurred and thus not added to participant tuition.
- Online training often allows for greater integration of learning, as it is more self-paced
- Many online teaching styles are presented to appeal to all types of learners: audio; visual and kinesthetic.

## Workshop Description and Schedule

### Responding to Child Abuse

Come and learn how to identify cases of child abuse, handle disclosures without contaminating evidence and to clarify your role when working with police and child welfare.

**Presenter:** Lynn Barry

**Dates:** October 1-31, 2009 at your own pace.

Two mandatory one hour Online sessions for

(1) Oct 12 @ 7:00 PM (MST)

(2) Oct 26 @ 7:00 PM (MST)

### Assessing Family Dynamics

Working with abusive families can be a challenge! This workshop will focus on assessing family interactions, personal characteristics and parenting ability.

**Presenters:** Linda Anderson, Lynn Barry

**Dates:** Nov 1- 30, 2009 at your own pace.

Two mandatory one hour Online sessions for



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- (1) Nov 16 @ 7:00 PM (MST)
- (2) Nov 30 @ 7:00 PM (MST)

### False Allegations

Come to understand how such allegations can be made, what the investigative protocols will entail and how to best protect yourself.

**Presenters:** Peter Johnston, Lynn Barry

**Dates:** Jan 2-31, 2010 at your own pace.

Two mandatory one hour Online sessions for

- (1) Jan 11 @ 7:00 PM (MST)
- (2) Jan 25 @ 7:00 PM (MST)

### The Psychopathology of the Abused Child

When a child has been abused, there can be emotional, developmental and behavioural effects. Learn how a child can be impacted and how best to support and facilitate positive changes.

**Presenters:** Dr. Terry Pezzot-Pearce, Dr. John Pearce

**Dates:** Feb 1 - 28, 2010 at your own pace.

Two mandatory one hour Online sessions for

- (1) Feb 8 @ 7:00 PM (MST)
- (2) Feb 22 @ 7:00 PM (MST)

### Testifying as a Witness in Court

Court proceedings can be intimidating. You will learn court rules, court process and the expectations of a witness.

**Presenters:** Jonathan Nicholson, Lynn Barry

**Date:** Mar 1-31, 2010 at your own pace.

Two scheduled Online sessions for

- (1) Mar 8 @ 7:00 PM (MST)
- (2) Mar 22 @ 7:00 PM (MST)

### Technology Required by Participants

- Personal computer with internet
- Computer headset with microphone



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## **Certification and Credit**

CSICA, provider #1100, is approved as a provider for social work continuing education by the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) [www.aswb.org](http://www.aswb.org), through the Approved Continuing Education (ACE) program. CSICA maintains responsibility for the program. Social Workers should contact their regulatory board to review the current continuing education requirements for licensure renewal. Social workers participating will receive 6 continuing education clock hours for each module and 30 continuing education clock hours for completion of the total series.

## **The Online Faculty**

Lynn Barry (Olivier), MSW, RSW

Lynn has worked for 23 years as a child welfare investigator. She has produced many multi-media training programs and teaches child abuse workshops across Canada.

Linda Anderson, MSW, RSW

Linda is the Coordinator of the Child Abuse Service, Alberta Children's Hospital and has been a sessional instructor in the Department of Social Work, Mount Royal College. Linda has worked with families and children dealing with issues of maltreatment for the past 18 years.

Peter Johnston

Peter was with the Calgary City Police for over 25 years where he earned a reputation as a skilled and compassionate child abuse investigator. He was a police trainer with the Crowfoot Academy.

Dr. Terry Pezzot-Pearce, Ph.D.

In 1982, Dr. Pezzot-Pearce established an independent practice in child clinical psychology where she works with maltreated children. She also provides consultation to professionals in child custody assessment and other clinical issues.

Dr. John Pearce, Ph.D.

Dr. Pearce joined the Child Abuse Program at the Alberta Children's Hospital in 1982 as the Clinical Coordinator of the program. He is now the Coordinator of Training for the Section of Psychology at ACH and is an Adjunct Assistant Professor of Clinical Psychology at U of C.

Jonathan Nicholson, LLB, M.Sc, B. PE

Jonathan is the Team Leader of the Crown Counsel in Family Law. Prior to that he had a private law practice for 10 years and was a public school teacher. He is a past Director for the Canadian Society for the Investigation of Child Abuse.



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## About the Organization

The Canadian Society for the Investigation of Child Abuse is a non-profit organization committed to supporting professionals, communities, victims and witnesses involved in the investigation of child abuse. It was formed in 1985 and its directors include police officers, Crown Prosecutors, social workers and clinicians. The Society has produced internationally renowned video and training programs entitled "For the Kids"; A Sexual Abuse Training Program for Police and Social Workers and "You're Not Alone": A Child Witness Court Preparation Program. The Society operates the Calgary Child Witness Court Preparation Program and has been instrumental in facilitating investigative training on a provincial and national basis.

## Directors

Linda Anderson, MSW, RSW  
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## How To Register

To register online using Visa or Mastercard please go to the link at: <http://conexsys.ca/carcp09-10>  
For further assistance in registering, please contact:

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## Grievances or Concerns

Any grievances or concerns should be directed to the Director of Continuing Education. Further appeals can be made to the Board of The Canadian Society for the Investigation of Child Abuse and a response will be provided within six weeks.

## Special Accommodations

If you have any special needs, we will do the best to accommodate you. Please let us know.