

HOTEL INFORMATION

The conference will be held September 9-11, 2008 at the Red Lion Hotel. Address: 2301 Colonial Drive Helena, MT 59601 A limited amount of rooms have been held at the Red Lion on a first come basis. Reservations must be made by **August 15, 2008** to be eligible for the special room rate of \$73.00 for single occupancy and \$95.00 for double occupancy, plus tax. Reservations can be made by calling 1-406-443-2100. When making a reservation identify that you are attending the Montana Coalition Annual Conference.

NOTE: MCADSV has also held a limited block of rooms at the Fairfield Inn located three blocks from the Red Lion Hotel. Address: 2150 11th Avenue, Helena, MT 59601. Reservations can be made at the Fairfield Inn by calling 406-449-9944 by **August 15, 2008** to receive a room rate of \$73.00 for single occupancy and double occupancy, plus tax. When making reservations identify that you are attending the Montana Coalition Annual Conference.

CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS

Continuing Education Credits have been requested and approval pending for 12 hours. More information to follow.

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MCADSV 2008 Annual Conference

*Together We Empower: A Collaborative Approach to
Mental Health, Substance Abuse and Survivor Services*

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CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

This conference will address trauma as the integrating factor of mental health, substance abuse and domestic and sexual violence services. Trauma can happen when a person experiences or witnesses domestic violence, sexual assault or other devastating experiences. All mental health, substance abuse, domestic and sexual violence providers are encouraged to attend this three day conference. Attendees will learn about collaborative best practices for trauma-informed care.

FEATURED PRESENTERS

Patti Bland: Patti Bland, M.A. CCDC, lives in Juneau, Alaska and directs the Train the Trainer Project for the Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault. She provides training and technical assistance pertaining to violence against women and substance use, misuse and addiction, through her work as part of the State Tribal Forum collaborative. Patti has co-authored the “Substance Abuse and Intimate Partner Violence” fact sheet for VAWnet (National Online Resource Center on Violence Against Women, updated May 2008) as well as the “Get Safe and Sober: Real Tools You Can Use: An Advocacy Teaching Kit for Working with Women Coping with Substance Abuse and Interpersonal Violence” manual.

National Center for Trauma-Informed Care (NCTIC): NCTIC provides education and technical assistance to promote a better understanding of the impact of trauma and the benefits of working with survivors in a trauma-informed setting. This cultural shift is important not only in providing effective services, but also to ensure that survivors are not further traumatized.

CONFERENCE AGENDA

September 9, 2008

- 12:15-1:00 Conference Registration Begins
- 1:00 –1:15 Welcome and Introductions
- 1:15-3:15 **The Intersectionality of Relationship Violence, Mental Health and Substance Abuse**
- 3:30-5:00 **When Fairy Tales Don’t Come True**

September 10, 2008

- 9:00-9:15 Welcome
- 9:15-9:45 **Trauma as the Integrating Factor**
- 10:00-11:30 **Trauma-Informed Care**
- 11:30-12:45 Lunch (on your own)
- 12:45-2:45 **Trauma Informed Care Tools I**
- 3:00-4:00 **Trauma Informed Care Tools II**
- 4:00-5:00 **Trauma Informed Communities**
- 6:30-7:30 In Her Shoes Activity (optional)

September 11, 2008

- 9:00 Welcome
- 9:00-10:15 **Screening for Appropriate Services**
- 10:30-11:30 **Cross-Agency Confidentiality and Referral Waivers**
- 11:30-12:30 Lunch (on your own)
- 12:30-1:15 **Efforts Across the Nation**
- 1:15-2:30 **Collaboration Workgroups**
- 2:30-3:00 **Empowering Together**

*A continental breakfast will be provided the morning of September 10th and September 11th from 8:15-9:00

Conference Agenda Subject to Change

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

The Intersectionality of Relationship Violence, Mental Health, and Substance Abuse: An overview on domestic violence, sexual assault, mental health and substance abuse. We will discuss why working together for trauma-informed care is critical.

When Fairy Tales Don’t Come True: A survivor’s story and her road to recovery.

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Trauma as the Integrating Factor: This presentations will discuss how trauma brings together domestic violence, sexual assault, mental health and substance abuse.

Trauma Informed Care: This session will provide the framework, concepts and service principles in trauma informed care.

Trauma Informed Care Tools I: This presentation will provide service tools and follow up needed to continue the recovery process.

Trauma Informed Care Tools II: This will be a continuation of the previous session providing additional service tools and information for the recovery process.

Trauma Informed Communities: Discussions will cover how to become a trauma informed organization and integrate with other community services.

In Her Shoes Activity: This optional evening activity allows attendees to gain a better understanding of what a domestic violence victim goes through in obtaining various services.

Screening for Appropriate Services: This presentation will provide attendees with the tools needed to determine the level of service needed.

Cross-Agency Confidentiality and Referral Waivers: Information on Advocate Privilege and effective confidential referrals will be provided.

Efforts Across the Nation: This presentation will highlight best practice policies and service from other states.

Collaboration Workgroups: This group activity will allow attendees to work together to discuss the next steps to transform organizational and community services.

Empowering Together: The closing remarks for this conference will focus on the importance of working together to provide integrated services.