

Northeast Texas Child Advocacy Center hosts

NETCAC 2-Day Conference



Effective Multidisciplinary Teams
Grooming, Delayed Disclosure & Investigation,
Prosecution, Principles & Practices

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Multidisciplinary Team Representatives, Child Advocacy Centers, Prosecutors, Law Enforcement, DFPS, SANE, Trauma Focus Behavior Therapist, Juvenile Probation, Domestic Violence Shelters, and CASA

July 29 & 30, 2021

8:00am - 4:30pm @ Region 8 ESC

4845 US HWY 271 N. PITTSBURG, TX 75686

EARLY REGISTRATION: \$75

As of July 1, 2021 - REGISTRATION FEE: \$100

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EARLY
& SAVE!**

up to 14 - CEUs provided

SW, MCLE, TCOLE and General (*self-report)*

to date
LESS
than **6**
percent of **CHILD
SEX
CRIMES**
end with a
CONVICTION

GOAL
is **40**
percent
CONVICTION RATE

in
the
next
5
YEARS

COURSES PRESENTED:

- ◆ The Stories, The Stages, The Multidisciplinary Team:
An Introduction & Overview
- ◆ A Tale of Two Cases:
Using Grooming Evidence in Child Sex Abuse Prosecution
- ◆ The Seven Stages of Grooming, the Forensic Interview &
the Victim-Centered MDT
- ◆ Incorporating the Offender's Grooming Techniques into
Your Criminal Investigation and Prosecution
- ◆ The Forensic Interview - Best Practices to Identify Grooming
- ◆ MDT Panel: Case Studies & The Culture, Commitments and
Communication Habits of Effective MDTs
- ◆ Help Them, Don't Harm Them-
The Victim-Centered, Trauma-Informed MDT
- ◆ Prosecution Best Practices:
Ethical Considerations with Grooming Evidence
- ◆ MDT Effectiveness Action Plans

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JULY 29 & 30, 2021 - up to 14hrs Continuing Education Units

8:00a.m. - 8:30a.m. - Check -in and Welcome

8:30a.m. - 10:00a.m. - Sessions

10:00a.m. - 10:15a.m. - BREAK

10:15a.m. - 11:30a.m. - Sessions

11:30a.m. - 12:45p.m. - LUNCH ON YOUR OWN *map provided

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. - Sessions

2:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. - BREAK

2:45 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. - Sessions

4:30 p.m. - ADJOURN

**sessions and break times may vary a little, as to allow discussions*

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PRESENTER BIOS:

Haylee Peacock, Georgia Bureau of Investigation Special Agent -

Haylee Peacock has been a Special Agent with the Georgia Bureau of Investigation for 7 years. SA Peacock began her assignment at the GBI Region 7 Office in Thomson, Ga in July 2012 where she worked various criminal cases including death investigations, child abuse and molestations, and sexual assaults. She is a child abuse specialist and a ChildFirst Forensic Interviewer. Haylee is assigned to the Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes Unit, Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. SA Peacock works in an undercover capacity in proactive cases involving the solicitation of minors and also reactively in cases involving the possession and transmission of child pornography and the commercial sexual exploitation of children. She has a B.A. in Criminal Justice from the University of Georgia and currently teaches Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children and Interdiction for the Protection of Children to local and state law enforcement officers.

Daniel Clark, Bonneville County Prosecuting Attorney

Danny Clark is the Prosecuting Attorney of Bonneville County, Idaho. A resident of Idaho Falls, Clark served as deputy prosecutor and chief deputy prior to his election as Prosecuting Attorney. Danny's ties to Building Hope Today began when he used the Morgan Case 'grooming as evidence' practices in a criminal sexual abuse case (Idaho v. Dunn). Now Clark serves on the Board and as a presenter, equipping prosecutors and investigators with effective tools to hold offenders accountable.

Thomas Tueller, Owner/Clinical Director of Tueller Counseling Services -

Tom Tueller is the founder of Tueller Counseling Services. His career began in Child Protective Services and he has continued to care for victims of violence and sexual violence within his practice. Tom is an expert in matters of sexual grooming, its stages and investigative practices. He frequently serves as an expert witness in child sex abuse cases. Tom joins the Building Hope Today training sessions to incorporate his expertise in the Multi-Disciplinary Team's practices in both investigation and prosecution.

**Please note: presenters are subject to change*



Course Descriptions & Objectives:

SESSION ONE — *The Stories, The Stages, And The Multidisciplinary Team: An Introduction & Overview*

Course Description: This Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) training is designed to help varying disciplines involved in child abuse investigations to partner, share knowledge and expertise to optimize case specific outcomes in criminal justice and child protection systems. The MDT model enhances the coordinated community response to child abuse.

Key Learning Objective: • Recognizing the value of the MDT response by respecting the contribution and knowledge of each discipline will help achieve the most optimal outcomes and accountability in these complex cases.

SESSION TWO — *A Tale of Two Cases: Using Grooming Evidence in Child Sex Abuse Prosecution*

Course Description: Participants will learn how a civil lawsuit for fraud became the corroborative catalyst in a successful child sexual abuse criminal prosecution. This presentation will discuss how a criminal defendant's conviction was overturned on appeal; the search for corroborative evidence was necessary using another civil case's grooming theory to corroborate the victim's disclosure in a criminal prosecution.

Key Learning Objectives: • Participants will learn practical tools to help both prosecutors and law enforcement find corroborative evidence when none appears to exist. • Participants will learn about the grooming techniques used by offenders with victims and learn about the delayed disclosure process

SESSION THREE — *The Seven Stages of Grooming and Delayed Disclosure*

Course Description: This training will provide participants an understanding of the 7 Stages of Grooming; clarify misconceptions, and how to gather evidence during investigations and preparation for legal testimony. Participants will understand the role of grooming behaviors, pinpointing critical warning signs that can go unrecognized, but that lead to successful prosecutions.

Key Learning Objective: • Recognize and understand the 7 Stages of Grooming to be able to identify how perpetrators target and abuse their victims.

SESSION FOUR — *The Forensic Interview—Best Practices to Identify Grooming*

Course Description: This training provides participants an understanding and recognition of the importance of identifying grooming tactics in child sexual abuse case forensic interviews.

Key Learning Objectives: • Recognize forensic interview can provide developmentally appropriate evidence-based and legally sound method of talking to children to obtain information in the child's own words regarding their abuse.
• Prosecutors and Investigators reviewing forensic interview content for the presence of the 7 Stages of Grooming

SESSION FIVE — *Incorporating the Offender's Grooming Techniques into Your Criminal Investigation and Prosecution—Part One: The Investigation Focus*

Course Description: Participants will be provided examples of evidence that corroborate grooming techniques used by offenders to sexually abuse a child. The attendee will learn how to identify and incorporate grooming evidence in their criminal investigation. The participant will also examine how the grooming evidence may be effectively used in prosecution of the offender.

Key Learning Objective: • How to incorporate grooming evidence into the criminal investigation. • How to incorporate grooming evidence into the prosecution (pre-trial preparation and trial presentation, use of expert witness, etc.)

SESSION SIX — *MDT Panel: Case Studies & The Culture, Commitments and Communication Habits of Effective MDTs*

Course Description: This Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) Panel comprised of seasoned MDT members will share case studies and the perspectives, principles and practices necessary to build and maintain effective MDTs.

Key Learning Objective: • Share and discuss key case studies, options for investigation and prosecution and the disposition of each case. • How to foster and maintain positive, productive MDT Culture



Course Descriptions & Objectives:

SESSION SEVEN — *Reconnect, Reflect & Respond: Takeaways from Day One*

SESSION EIGHT — *Incorporating the Offender’s Grooming Techniques into Your Criminal Investigation and Prosecution—Part Two: The Prosecution Focus*

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SESSION NINE — *Help Them, Don’t Harm Them—The Victim-Centered, Trauma-Informed MDT*

Course Description: Provide participants information on the roles and responsibilities of law enforcement system and community-based victim advocates in supporting victims and providing resources during the investigative, prosecution and post disposition phases. This training will provide information about the needs of victims and the importance of collaborating with victim advocacy and support services during the investigative process, the prosecution and beyond conviction.

Key Learning Objectives: • Understand the role of law enforcement system and community-based advocates
• Identify the statutory rights afforded to victims in your specific state

SESSION TEN — *Prosecution Best Practices: Ethical Considerations with Grooming Evidence*

Course Description: The training is designed to identify best practices for prosecutors presenting delayed disclosure in child abuse cases using grooming evidence as corroboration. The training will review evidentiary considerations including pre-trial motions and expert testimony along with ethical considerations unique to these cases.

Key Learning Objective: • Participants will understand the value of grooming evidence in criminal prosecutions to include “soft” evidence, ethical considerations, and key evidentiary arguments.

SESSION ELEVEN — *MDT Panel—Local Case Studies and Q&A*

Course Description: The MDT Panel of experts conducts an interactive conversation with trainees regarding local cases, current practices and points of growth.

Key Learning Objective: • Participants will understand the essential need for consistent communication, collaboration within the context of well-established MDT principles and protocols.

SESSION TWELVE — *MDT Effectiveness Action Plans*

Course Description: The culmination of the two-day training content. Individuals and MDT clusters will share the action plans and assessment plans for MDT effectiveness and case example where they have been effective and ineffective.

Key Learning Objectives: • Participants will Present Their MDT Action Plans • Participants will Present their MDT Assessment Plans

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