

**Niagara County Family Violence Intervention Project
20th Annual Conference**

**Safe at Home:
Seeking Solutions for Adults & Children
Experiencing Family Violence**

**Plenary: Cory Jewell Jensen, M.S
Sex Offenders: Responding to Crimes Against
Children**

**Keynote: Michelle Kaminsky, Esq.
Domestic Violence in the Age of Criminal
Justice Reform**

October 16, 2018 . 8:00 am—4:00 pm

The Conference & Events Center Niagara Falls

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Plenary – Cory Jewell Jensen, M.S.



Cory Jewell Jensen, M.S., spent the last 35 years providing evaluation and treatment services to adult sex offenders and their families. In addition to her clinical work, Ms. Jensen has provided training and consultation services to The National Center for the Prosecution of Child Abuse, The National Child Advocacy Center, The National Children’s Alliance, The United States Navy, The National Crime Victims Association, The National Boy Scouts Foundation, The Mark Mc Gwire Foundation for Children, US Marshall’s Office, NYPD Special Victims Unit and a number of law enforcement, child advocacy and Faith based organizations. She has published a number of articles related to sex offender treatment, risk management, and child abuse prevention. She has also been a featured guest on radio talk shows and the Oprah Winfrey Show.

Keynote—Michelle Kaminsky, Esq.

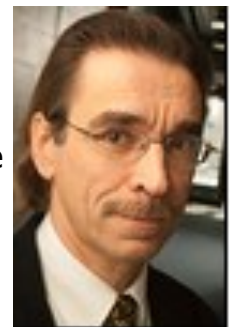
Michelle Kaminsky, Esq., author of Reflections of a Domestic Violence Prosecutor: Suggestions for Reform, shares her twenty years experience prosecuting domestic violence crimes. Using eleven compelling cases she handled, Kaminsky illustrates how societal beliefs about women, inadequate laws, judicial biases, inflexible prosecution polices, and a lack of resources prevent meaningful change for battered women in the criminal justice system.



Kaminsky advocates for reforms including judicial screening committees for the selection and monitoring of domestic violence judges; collaborative interdisciplinary response teams to address the myriad needs of battered women; legislation allowing for the admission of the history of domestic abuse at trial; age appropriate continuing K-12 curriculum.

Other Outstanding Faculty

Richard D. Blondell, MD is Professor and Vice Chair for Addiction Medicine Department of Family Medicine University at Buffalo and he is the Director of Research on Addictions for the University at Buffalo Primary Care Research Institute. Dr. Blondell is a founding member of the American Board of Addiction Medicine (ABAM) and the ABAM Foundation (ABAMF), serving on their Boards of Directors since 2008. He chairs the ABAMF Training and Accreditation Committee and directs its National Coordinating Office for residency program accreditation.



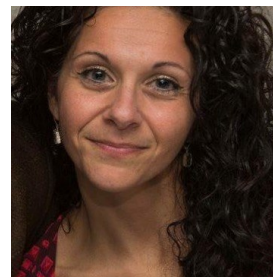
Nikki Slaughter, LCSW, has been part of the United States Army, 328th Combat and Operational Stress Control (COSC) since 2013. In her role, she provides behavioral and health support and assessments to US soldiers. She also provides behavioral health training on various topics to soldiers and professionals including PTSD, MST, anxiety, sleep, hygiene, and DV. She previously served as the Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC)/Behavioral Health Support Coordinator for the Department of the Air Force, 914th Airlift Wing.

Other Outstanding Faculty (continued)



Joel C. Smith, MSW, LICSW has been a Captain in the United States Army since 2012 where he has served as a Clinical Social Worker in the 328th Medical Detachment, Combat, and Operational Stress Control and Officer-in-Charge of operations and Training. He is also a private consultant to law enforcement agencies regarding critical incident stress management and traumatic stress. He has more than 14 years of experience in direct practice social and his primary focus has been screening, assessing, and treating combat-related trauma.

Aimee L. Neri, LMSW is the Statewide Project Manager for Integrating Trauma Informed Practices into Family Court and the Liaison in the 8th Judicial District for the New York State Child Welfare Court Improvement Project. She has sixteen years of experience in the Child Welfare Field providing training and technical assistance to organizational stakeholder groups as well as supervising Parent Education Programs, Agency Foster Care and Adoption Programs, Resource Family Certification and practicing Child, Family and Group Therapy. She is the co-developer for the trauma informed project in family court named "Taking the Hurt Out of Trauma" and one of the supervising editors for "An Attorneys Guide to Interviewing Their Child Clients: Integrating Trauma Informed and Solution Focused Strategies".



Stephanie Lamarque is an assistant United States Attorney with the US Attorney's Office for the Western District of NY. She is in the White Collar General Crimes Section and is responsible for prosecuting a wide variety of federal crimes including child exploitation offenses. She works closely with Federal law enforcement during the investigation of crimes. Ms. Lamarque graduated from Georgetown University and the University of Michigan Law School.

Tara Hughes, LCSW-R currently serves as the Coordinator for Human Trafficking Programs at the International Institute of Buffalo. In her role, she works with community agencies, as well as the Western District of New York Human Trafficking Task Force, to oversee multiple Intensive Case Management programs for US and foreign-born victims of human trafficking. Tara has also served as Project Coordinator for Trafficked Youth for the International Institute of Buffalo, in addition to several positions with the American Red Cross, including Northeast Division Disaster Mental Health Advisor and Disaster Instructor. **Julie Butkowski** provides intensive case management services to survivors of Human Trafficking. She has also worked as an Immigrant Domestic Violence Advocate for the International Institute of Buffalo.



Morning Program

- 8:00 a.m. Registration/Continental Breakfast
- 8:30 a.m. Introduction/Welcome
- 8:45 a.m. Plenary Presentation—Cory Jewell Jensen
- 10:45 a.m. Break
- 11:00 a.m. Keynote Presentation—Michelle Kaminsky
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch

Workshops Session 1 , 12:45-2:15 PM

A. Cory Jewell Jensen, M.S.—Selection, Engagement, and Seduction of Children and Adults by Child Molesters

Examine some of the specific strategies offenders report using to target, seduce, and exploit children and adults. Information was collected from approximately 1,600 sex offenders who were involved in long-term, court mandated sex offender treatment. Topics include offender descriptions of “grooming” tactics, how and why they targeted certain children, families, and youth-serving agencies, seduced child victims and adult caretakers, and inhibited disclosure, detection, and reporting. A variety of video clips, research studies, and anecdotal interview data from numerous sex offenders will be utilized to illustrate each stage of grooming behavior.

B. Michelle Kaminsky, Esq.—Reflections of a Domestic Violence Prosecutor: Suggestions for Reform/IN-DEPTH

Developments in legislative reform have neither reduced abuse, nor brought any meaningful change to the situation of its victims. This session offers examination and reflection of the legal domain’s disallowance of reducing or eradicating this violence, which affects society as a whole. In-depth reform topics are covered including a multi-state approach and broader admissibility of evidence in cases where previous violent charges exist.

C. Richard Blondell, M.D.—Substance Use Disorders and Domestic Violence: Identifying Risks and Treatment Options

At the conclusion of this session, the participant will be able to identify individuals with an SUD at risk for domestic violence as well as identify and list treatment options for these individuals. Participants in this session will also be able to perform brief interventions

D. Nikki Slaughter, LCSW and Joel Smith, MSW, LICSW—Interpersonal Violence Within the Military and Veteran Communities

This session will help social workers, medical professionals, educators and law enforcement professionals develop the ability to identify and understand interpersonal violence within the military and veteran populations. Attendees will learn about the formative changes that occur from the time of entrance into the military service, through the lifespan. Attendees can also expect to learn about the various symptomology that negatively impacts the personal and professional lives of the Warrior population, and its relationship to interpersonal violence.

Continuing Education—Social Workers, Mental Health Counselors

This training has been approved for CEU credits. Certificates will be distributed upon completion. **Full attendance is required:** no partial credit will be awarded.

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Break, 2:15-2:30 PM (Refreshments in foyer)

Workshops Session 2 , 2:30-4:00 PM

A. Cory Jewell Jensen, M.S.—Protecting Our Children: "Advice from Child Molesters, A Child Safety and Crime Prevention Program

Participants will have an opportunity to review Oregon's grassroots prevention project, "Protecting our Children: Advice From Child Molesters." Initially developed by two veteran sex offender treatment providers, "PYC" has grown into a multi-state, multi-disciplinary child abuse prevention campaign. This session will help to change public perceptions about children's ability to protect themselves and promote the idea that all adults must be informed and take an active role in promoting child safety.

B. Aimee Neri, LMSW—Integrating Trauma-Informed Care Into Practice for Services and Systems

Trauma Informed Care is an organizational model that represents a cultural shift in the way professionals approach children, youth, families, and colleagues. This program will provide the opportunity to professionals to examine systems operation and individual practice responses to ensure that service provision and stakeholder collaboration is universally occurring through a trauma-informed lens.

C. Tara Hughes, LSCW-R and Julie Butkowski—Navigating the Crossroads: Opioid Use and Human Trafficking

In this session, participants will learn a working definition of human trafficking which will allow them to appropriately identify potential victims. Additionally, participants will be able to identify potential victims of human trafficking, where opioid use and addiction is used as a method of coercion. *The session will also cover how opioid use and human trafficking intersect, regardless of which came first.*

D. Stephanie Lamarque, Assistant United States Attorney Stalking and Technology: Technology and How it is Used Against People

This session will address the misuse of social media. Participants will also learn to identify the signs of cyberstalking and the current federal prosecution guidelines as they pertain to cyberstalking and social media.

About the Conference

Safe at Home: Seeking Solutions for Adults and Children Experiencing Family Violence addresses emerging trends and practical issues in the field of family violence. Violence and trauma affecting children and adults can take many different forms. Conference participants will better understand the effects of trauma in many forms including sexual assault, commercial sexual exploitation of children, bullying and suicide. Participants will gain knowledge and perspective on prevention, intervention and engagement utilizing trauma -informed approaches. This conference will benefit professionals in law enforcement, child welfare, education, medicine, law, social work, victim advocacy, mental health counseling and other roles serving children and families affected by interpersonal violence.

Visit www.cacofniagara.org for information and updates.

Thank you for making this conference possible.



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Registration

Registration: General conference registration is **\$65** per person and includes **course materials, continental breakfast, lunch and afternoon snacks**. A discounted rate of **\$60** will apply to paid registrations for **5 or more** individuals from the same agency. **For the discounted group rate, registrations must be submitted together.** For additional information, contact the Child Advocacy Center of Niagara at (716) 285-0045.

Hotel Information: A special conference rate of **\$89** is available for a limited number of rooms at **The Sheraton at the Falls, 300 Third Street, Niagara Falls, NY**. This rate does not include a facility fee of \$24.95 per night that includes free parking. Please note that hotel reservation is not included in the conference registration. Participants must contact the hotel directly to reserve a room. **Call (716)285-3361 and ask for the Child Advocacy Center group block.** This block of rooms is on a first come basis depending on room availability, so please book your room in advance. The cut-off date is 9/14/2018.

Please print or type. Provide your e-mail address to receive an emailed confirmation.

Name: _____ Title _____

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Registration:

- General Registration (by October 8, 2018) **\$ 65.00**
- Group Registration (5 or more) **\$60.00**
- NYSED Social Work/Mental Health Counselor Contact Hours—additional cost of **\$20.00**

Payment:

- Check enclosed** for \$ _____ payable to **NFMMC Foundation/ CAC**

- Charge to:** MasterCard Visa American Express

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To register and pay online visit the Classes and Events section at www.nfmmc.org.

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Please forward registration & payment by **October 8, 2018** to:

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