



Southern Arizona Psychological Association

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and engender a sense of community and cohesiveness.*

Continuing Education Event

Myth Busting & Fact Forging: Important Questions & Interesting Answers Relating to Domestic Violence & Child Abuse

Faren Akins, PhD, JD & Vera Akins, JD

This event is co-sponsored by SAPIC and La Frontera

Date:	Saturday, February 22, 2014	SAPA Members	
Time:	10:00 AM – 2:30 PM (Lunch 12:00 - 12:30)	Early Bird (registration by 1/21/14)	\$70
Location:	La Frontera 502 W. 29th Street Tucson, AZ 85713	After 1/21/14	\$80
CE's:	4 Domestic Violence / Child Abuse CE's	Non-SAPA Member	\$100
Registration:	www.sapaonline.org/events	(available after 1/21/14)	
		Students/Interns/Postdocs	\$20

Registration deadline is Monday, February 17, 2014 (No walk-ins). You will be able to select your lunch preference when you register. If you have any registration difficulties, contact Patricia Beldotti, PsyD (drbeldotti@aol.com or 520-282-2590).

Description:

This presentation will include a practical review of child maltreatment and domestic violence, including updated information about prevalence, types, risk factors, and the impact of child maltreatment and domestic violence. The presentation will also include information about legal responses and protections in place in Arizona for addressing child maltreatment and domestic violence. A review of current Arizona statutes and case law will be provided. Finally, the presentation will cover challenging situations that psychologists are likely to encounter related to abuse and domestic violence.

Expect answers to the following questions and more.

1. Did Wingspread roll away the Duluth Wheel?
2. If an alcoholic grandmother hits an adolescent grandchild, is it reportable?
3. If an adolescent grandchild hits an alcoholic grandmother, is it reportable?
4. What does your community protocol have to say about how you as a therapist should deal with reporting and treating child abuse?

5. What do you know about your community fatality teams?
6. What is the most frequent source of domestic violence?
7. If an adult patient discloses being molested as a child, is that reportable?
8. Are sexually abused children more likely to grow up and sexually abuse others?
9. Is Super-bowl Sunday the most dangerous day of the year for domestic violence?

This Intermediate presentation will help psychologists:

1. To identify the prevalence, risk factors, and effects of child maltreatment and domestic violence.
2. To describe less publicized types of domestic violence, such as abuse of siblings and vulnerable adults.
3. To identify the role of psychologists in Arizona in reporting child maltreatment and domestic violence.
4. To recognize Arizona responses to child maltreatment and domestic violence from the legislature, executive branch, judiciary, and legal communities.
5. To recognize Arizona protections for vulnerable adults.

About the Speakers:

Faren Akins is both an Attorney and a Psychologist who:

- trains mental health professionals in forensic issues for compliance with Maricopa County Family Court mental health provider roster requirements;
- maintains an active expert testimony and consultation practice for Family and Juvenile Courts; and
- provides practice issue consultation or legal representation to mental health professionals providing services in situations where child maltreatment and domestic violence are all too frequent issues.



Vera Akins is an Attorney who:

- has litigated cases on behalf of vulnerable adults seeking civil remedies for financial abuses and minors seeking civil remedies for sexual abuses; and
- provides practice issue consultation or legal representation to mental health professionals providing services in situations where child maltreatment and domestic violence are all too frequent issues.