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Parental Mental Health and Child Welfare

Presenter: Karol Wendt, LCSW, LMFT

Registration 8:30, Workshop: 9-4

Fee: \$30.00/member

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Training Description

Mental illness is often a factor that seriously impacts the outcomes in child abuse/neglect cases. Understanding service needs and deciding on the possibility of a child returning to a home with a seriously mentally ill parent is often a challenge for child welfare workers. Understanding the language of mental health professionals and how to best utilize their services is critical to effectively linking mentally ill persons to the appropriate resources. This workshop is designed to prepare you to provide effective case management services to families for whom mental health services are necessary. Participants will explore what it means to live with mental illness, learn myths and facts about mental illness, and discuss the effects of parental mental illness on children. Karol's vast experience enables her to answer the many questions of participants.

Trainer

Karol Wendt, LCSW, LMFT, is currently working in private practice as the Clinic Director of Systemic Perspective, Inc. She is a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist and an Independent Clinical Social Worker. Karol has worked as a social worker or therapist since 1974 doing medical social work, AODA treatment for individuals, teens, and families and individual, marital and family therapy with a specialization in chemical dependency. She also provides group and individual clinical supervision, specializing in family based services and is on the faculty of the Family Therapy Training Institute in Milwaukee.



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