

**P.R.I. EDUCATIONAL AND NETWORKING FORUM
APRIL 8 & 9, 2010**

**“Reality Check: What Works and What Doesn't in
Community-Based Sex Offender Management”**

PRESENTER AND PRESENTATION DETAILS

NOTE: All presentations will be given in both Tulsa and Oklahoma City, unless otherwise indicated.

Welcome, Debbie Price

Deborah Price is the Projects Manager for the Oklahoma Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives (OFBCI). After attending Southern Nazarene University, Debbie was employed as a legal assistant and office administrator for several organizations. Since May 2002, she has been responsible for project management and the administrative operations of OFBCI. In connection with her work there, she is a candidate in the Certified Public Manager program and serves on the board of The Oklahoma 2-1-1 Advisory Collaborative and the Oklahoma Partnership for Successful Prisoner Reentry. Price also acts as a federal grant reviewer of social service program proposals to the US Department of Health and Human Services. (www.faithlinksok.org)

The *Master of Ceremonies* will be **Steve Gordon**, Executive Director of OPSR

Steve Gordon is the Executive Director of the Oklahoma Partnership for Successful Reentry, Inc., having begun this position on March 1, 2010. Prior to OPSR, Steve owned his own consulting firm in Oklahoma City for four years, developing web-based solutions for his clients. He also served as the Assistant Director of Heart Menders International, Inc. (www.heartmenders.org), overseeing their men's ministry, Heart MENTors, for over five years, and the urban outreach program Hope for the Hopeless. He has held a number of leadership positions in the computer industry over the last 33 years, and has consulted with several Fortune 500 companies on I.T. strategy and systems development. He is on the boards of several non-profit organizations and serves as a prayer leader in his church. He is married to Karen, a soon-to-be-retired teacher of the deaf, and they have five grown children. (www.okreentry.org)

A Perspective from the Oklahoma Department of Corrections, Kenny Holloway

Kenny Holloway is the Deputy Director of Treatment and Rehabilitative Services for the Oklahoma Department of Corrections. During his 23 year tenure with corrections, Mr. Holloway has served as a correctional case manager and a probation and parole officer before accepting various positions in management. Mr. Holloway served seven years as the district supervisor for the Oklahoma City area of probation and parole. In 2006, Mr. Holloway was appointed to the position of Administrator of Probation and Parole where his responsibilities included functional oversight of probation and parole field operations. Since August, 2009, Mr. Holloway has been responsible for oversight of Medical Services, Mental Health Services, Programs, Education, Reentry, Religious and Volunteer Services, and Victim Services. (www.doc.state.ok.us)

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Presentation Summary: Mr. Holloway will be presenting the big picture from the Dept. of Corrections, including the impact of the recent announcement that their sex offender treatment program has been canceled due to lack of funding, and what this means for our communities.

The National Perspective, *Wayne Bowers*

Wayne Bowers, Norman, OK, is president of the board of Sex Abuse Treatment Alliance, which is dedicated to preventing sexual abuse through education, outreach, and community reconciliation of sexual abusers. He and SATA promote that sexual abuse is a public health issue, not solely a criminal justice issue. Bowers directs one of SATA's programs, CURE-SORT (Sex Offenders Restored through Treatment), which is an issue chapter of the national criminal justice and prison reform organization Citizens United for the Rehabilitation of Errants (CURE). He represents the voice often omitted and rarely heard of the recovering sex offender who once did offend but through therapy gained a successful control of his life. Since 1993 he has actively advocated for effective therapy for those who sexually offend, along with reasonable punishment and reduction of tracking laws. (www.satasort.org)

Presentation Summary: Wayne will review of the national picture of sex offender laws and how they may have an impact on Oklahoma. He will review of the status of the Adam Walsh Act, which is a national law but been delayed for state implementation and is under scrutiny of its effectiveness. He will discuss recent state legislation and its impact on successful prevention of sexual abuse in the state. Talking points and factual information for what can be successful in prevention of sexual abuse in public discussion, responses to media, and contacting lawmakers will also be provided. And he will introduce and provide websites of organizations to stay updated with current news and activity.

The Role of the Victim and the Victim Advocate in Managing Sex Offenders

Tulsa – Jennifer McLaughlin

OKC – Ann Lowrance

Jennifer McLaughlin is Vice-Chair of the Oklahoma Coalition for Sex Offender Management, and the Sexual Violence Specialist for the Oklahoma Coalition against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault. She is a Certified Domestic and Sexual Violence Response Professional, and is a graduate of the University of Central Oklahoma with a degree in Criminal Justice and a minor in Sociology. She holds a Masters Degree in Social Work from the University of Oklahoma.

Jennifer is the recipient of the Gene McBride Community Service Award for her work with sexual assault survivors. She has worked with victims of sexual assault and domestic violence since 1997. Jennifer has been honored for being selected as a member to the Governor's Task Force to End Sexual Violence, as well as a Sex Offender Risk Assessment Review Committee Member. In 2007 Jennifer was asked to be part of the documentary, "Incest: A Family Tragedy." She is a Board Member for the Department of Corrections Re-Entry Committee, and serves on many other Boards and councils. (www.ocadvsa.org)

N. Ann Lowrance, MS, CDSVRP, has worked with victims of violent crime for almost 30 years. She is currently Department Head of Social Services and Assistant Professor of Crime Victim Survivor Services at Oklahoma State University, Oklahoma City. She has directed domestic violence and sexual assault programs in Oklahoma and Texas. In her 16-year service with the State of Oklahoma, she was responsible for domestic violence and sexual assault programs throughout

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the state, and the mental health response to the bombing of the Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City. Ann holds a Masters degree in Family Relations and Child Development from Oklahoma State University, and has post graduate studies in Psychology of Women.

Ann has spoken extensively at state and national events on the subjects of domestic violence and sexual assault, has served as an expert witness and has published on both subjects. She has also presented on victims of crimes and response to disasters. She has consulted district and tribal courts and with a variety of organizations on development of services and programs, including services to Native American, Latino, and rural victims of crime. Ms. Lowrance was cited by the United States Department of Justice for "Outstanding Dedication and Service to Crime Victims". She was named Woman of Honor by the Sprits of Hope Coalition, and Guardian Angel by the Latino Community Development Foundation. The Oklahoma Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault named an award in her honor. (www.osuokc.edu)

Presentation Summary: not available

OKCSOM: State of Affairs in Oklahoma, *Randy Lopp*

Randy Lopp, MHR, is a Licensed Professional Counselor in private practice in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He is also a Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselor as well as a Certified Criminal Justice Specialist. He is a clinical member of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers and a member of the National Association of Forensic Counselors. He is the Chairperson of the Oklahoma Coalition for Sex Offender Management. He is the past Executive Director of a mental health agency specializing in the treatment of addictive disorders. He has also served on the administrative staff of the Rader Treatment Program. He has developed sexual deviancy programs as well as substance abuse treatment programs for adult and juvenile delinquency populations. He has provided expert testimony in both state and federal jurisdictions. He is particularly interested in forensic assessments. (www.okcsom.org)

Presentation Summary: The presentation will provide attendees with information regarding the mission of the Oklahoma Coalition for Sex Offender Management – OKCSOM. The goals of public education, oversight and public policy regarding the management of community-based sex offenders will be discussed. There will also be a discussion of OKCSOM's position on the Adam Walsh Act as well as OKCSOM's position on residency restrictions for sexual offenders.

Successful Residential Reentry for Sex Offenders, *Jon Cordeiro*

Pastor Jon Cordeiro is the Executive Director of New Name Ministries, a faith-based, non-profit organization offering a fee-based, residential reentry program and supportive fellowship for men convicted of a sexual offense. New Name is located in Fort Worth, Texas and has been operating since 2006. Jon is a graduate of Victory Bible Training School and former Graduate Peer Consultant for Supervised Community Treatment of Portland, Maine. He has served as a volunteer chaplain at the Maine Correctional Center and provided long term-involvement with the Sexual Violence Collaborative of Southern Maine. He is ordained in the State of Texas through Apostolic Servant Ministries and provides churches and national organizations education and consultations on residential reentry, policies and procedures in the church, and "Sex Offender Sense." Jon and Cynthia, his bride of 14 years, are from Maine and have a grown daughter, as well as numerous spiritual sons and daughters. (www.newnameministries.org)

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Presentation Summary: An overview of New Name Ministries' one-year sex offender-only therapeutic community style residential reentry home. Despite media hype casting hopelessness of sex offenders being able to reenter society safely, the truth is fortunately hopeful. Statistics show that less than 6% will reoffend as a whole. This should encourage community stakeholders to reconsider any irrational opposition of embracing responsible reentry for RSO's. With the national number of RSO's rising to over 700,000, we need to position our nation for the obvious need of safe reentry for all those concerned; surely there will be more to follow, and sooner rather than later, with prison space becoming more limited nationally. Come hear how God is ministering to the modern day lepers of society.

The Containment Model Approach to Sex Offender Supervision, *Mark Pursley and Carrie Croy*

Mark Pursley was hired as a Probation & Parole Officer by the Oklahoma Department of Corrections on January 1, 1990. Pursley graduated from the University of Oklahoma with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in December of 1986. While serving as a Probation & Parole Officer, Pursley has supervised various specialized caseloads. Since the fall of 2003 Pursley has been supervising convicted sex offenders in Oklahoma County and was an active member of the Oklahoma County Sex Offender Management Team.

Carrie Croy received her Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Central Oklahoma in 2003 and is currently attending graduate school through Capella University. She joined the Oklahoma Department of Corrections in October 2003 as a probation and parole officer. During her service as a probation and parole officer, she has specialized in the supervision of sex offenders since January 2005. (www.doc.state.ok.us)

Presentation Summary: We will be discussing the Containment Model approach to sex offender supervision in the community, as well as state residency restrictions, which have caused many sex offenders to be homeless in the community.

Understanding Community-Based Treatment Options, *Brenda Carter*

Brenda M. Carter, M. Psych, LPC, is a Graduate of the East Central University in Oklahoma. She is a licensed Professional Counselor and Owner/Director of Specialized Counseling PC, with offices located in Shawnee and Del City Oklahoma. Prior to opening her private agency in 2005, Ms. Carter was employed for the Oklahoma Department of Corrections, Serving as Director for the Sex Offender Treatment Program, located at Joseph Harp Correctional Center, in Lexington Oklahoma. Ms. Carter serves as a consultant to various agencies in Oklahoma developing and implementing Sex Offender Treatment Programs, conducting comprehensive and specialized sex offender assessments and evaluations and is recognized in court as an expert witness regarding her work with Sex Offenders. Her work also involves, conducting trainings and workshops and has appeared as a guest speaker at seminars and conferences throughout the USA.

Serving as a member of the Sex Offender Management Board for the State of Oklahoma since 2000, Ms. Carter has contributed to the development of the Governing Rules for the management and treatment of Sex offenders under the supervision of The Oklahoma Department of Corrections. Ms. Carter is an active Clinical/Research member of Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers (ATSA), and is an approved provider by the Oklahoma Coalition of Sex Offender Management (OKCSOM).

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Presentation Summary: We need to recognize that the overarching goal of sex offender treatment is community protection. This is accomplished by effectively treating sex offenders to reduce their recidivism risk (rather than providing treatment to reduce offenders' subjective distress). We will contrast sex offender-specific treatment with other forms of mental health treatment and identify several sex offender treatment methods and adjunctive interventions that typically comprise sex offender-specific treatment. Finally, we will describe what specialized sex offender assessment is and why it is important in the sex offender-specific treatment process.

The Role of Polygraph Testing in Managing Sex Offenders in the Community, *Ed Partin*

Edwin Partin L.P.E. is a self-employed polygraph examiner in Tulsa, OK. He has been a licensed polygraph examiner in Oklahoma since 1978. He has been the guest speaker at professional and civic meetings and has provided CLEET approved instruction for state required continuing education. He has pursued continuing education in the field of polygraph by attending scores of professional training seminars in Oklahoma, Missouri, Texas and California. He provides testing of convicted sex offenders for the Oklahoma Department of Corrections and treatment providers in Tulsa and surrounding counties. He has provided testing services for the Residential Sex Offender Treatment Program located at Joseph Harp and has conducted several thousand clinical polygraph examinations. He has over 100 hours of continuing education specializing in the clinical testing of sex offenders. Mr. Partin also provides polygraph testing for the Tulsa Police Department's Child Crisis Unit.

Presentation Summary: Presentation will include a discussion of the polygraph examiner's role in the "Containment Team" approach. It will include a brief overview of the most common types of clinical polygraph examinations used in the treatment and supervision of post-conviction sex offenders.

Real-World Problems with Residency Restriction Enforcement, *Sgt. Gary Stansill*

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Sgt. Gary Stansill is a 35-year veteran of the Tulsa Police Department with a Criminal Justice Degree from University of Tulsa. He is currently supervising the Tulsa Police Sex Crime Unit, which is responsible for investigating sexual assaults involving victims 14 and older. Gary began investigating sexual assaults in 1987 and was the lead investigator for several serial rape investigations. He was promoted to Sgt. in 1996. He began supervising the Child Crisis Unit in 1997 and integrated the unit with the Justice Center, which began the multi-disciplinary approach to child abuse investigations. In 2001, Gary began supervising the Sex Crime Unit. He also instructs sexual assault investigations across the state for ORCPI (Oklahoma Regional Community Policing Institute). (www.cityoftulsa.org)

Presentation Summary: Being from law enforcement with a back ground in sexual assault, I am supportive of registering certain sex offenders but am very critical of many of the restrictions, especially the residency restrictions. Sex offender registration laws were primarily designed to protect children from sex offenders. I find no evidence either from research or as a practitioner that shows residency restrictions prevent sexual assaults on children. Residential restrictions not only place a burden on law enforcement, but may also contribute to sex offenders reoffending due to instability and stress on offenders. In addition, the State's Tier System is backwards, requiring the majority of offenders to register for life. We will discuss in detail how many of our sex offender laws are counter-productive for law enforcement and ineffective in preventing sexual assaults.

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Do Sex Offenders Really Deserve a Second Chance? *Bill Young* OKC ONLY

Bill Young has been immersed in ministry for over twenty years, focusing on helping hurt and wounded people get set free through Biblical principles. He has extensive experience working in prison ministry and in small group inner healing therapy sessions. For the last 10 years, he has intensified his work through New Foundations Ministries, which he founded in 2000. New Foundations was established as a residential treatment facility for people who wanted to rebuild their lives. Most of the participants came via referrals from the defense attorneys and prosecuting attorneys in the area, and included men struggling with sexual addiction as well as registered sex offenders.

PRESENTATION SUMMARY: Not available.

Email addresses of speakers available upon request.

Handouts of various presentations, as well as position papers and other resources, will be included in each attendee's conference packet.