

January Newsletter

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It's That Time Again - Planning for April 2017: National Child Abuse Prevention Month & Pinwheels for Prevention

Prevent Child Abuse Nevada will be hosting the first planning call of the year to help support organizations plan their statewide Pinwheel events, on **Monday, January 9, 2017 at 1pm**.
Conference Dial-in Number: (641)715-3273
Host Access/Participant Code: 141093#

If you are interested in organizing a pinwheel event and need pinwheels, please join us during this call.

Also, you can [visit our website here](#) to see our 2016 Pinwheels for Prevention Events to spark ideas for 2017!

Dates to Remember:

Second Planning Call: February 13, 2017 at 1pm

Final Planning Call: March 13, 2017 at 1pm

Pinwheel Planting at the Nevada State Legislature: *Details Coming Soon*

Statewide Go BLUE! Day - April 7, 2017

Please join our efforts to raise awareness!!

*Early Bird Rate and travel scholarships are available, so register early!
CEU's will also be offered. Sponsorship opportunities, too!*

[REGISTRATION IS NOW LIVE ~ CLICK HERE!](#)



[Conference Website](#)



Task Force on the Prevention of Sexual Abuse of Children Full Task Force Meeting

**January 24, 2017 ~
10:00am-11:00am**

Call in Info:

Conference call number: (641) 715-3273

Access code: 141093#

[Meeting Agenda](#)

All Task Force meetings are open to the public. Information regarding the Task Force including the progress made and other additional resources, can be found on [the Task Force website.](#)

APSAC's Pre-Conference Advanced Training Institute on Functional Family Therapy - January 29th & 30th

The workshop on January 29th will provide a demonstration of the benefits of applying Functional Family Therapy (FFT) in an integrated continuum to children and families receiving preventive services. Personal, research and worldwide experience has shown that there is a group of carefully crafted

interventions, which, individually, have proven effective and efficient for reducing and eliminating problems arising from impaired family functioning including child abuse and neglect without having to separate children from their families. Attendees will learn how Functional Family Therapy in Child Welfare can create a continuum of general and clinical prevention options for families that can improve clinical outcomes, avert placement when

appropriate and produce cost savings for taxpayers.



The Following Topics will be discussed on January 30th:
[The Multidisciplinary Response to Human Trafficking of Minors](#)
[Advanced Issues in Sexual Abuse](#)

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Prevent Child Abuse America Highlights

For the third year in a row, Prevent Child Abuse America was recognized as a 4-star charity by [Charity Navigator](#)! According to Charity Navigator CEO Michael Thatcher, only 15% of charities share this distinction. PCAA is proud to once again be given the highest rating possible as they work towards their vision of providing great childhoods to all children.



Fun Ideas for Families

Set Goals for 2017!

This activity is a lovely way of encouraging children to write down a few little goals - or six, to be precise. Your child can write each one of their goals in a box to be guarded over by one of the children in the activity, which of course your child can color in if they wish.



Date it, keep it safe, and have a look at the end of the year to see how much was achieved!

[My 2017 Goals! Activity](#)

Kid Tips for Parents!

Be That One Caring Adult for a Child This Year

A supportive, caring, and consistent adult in a child's life is a critical factor in helping them overcome the effects of childhood trauma and be ready to succeed. We, as adults, need to take the responsibility to keep all kids safe. These healing gestures are a great start to show children you care and to make a real difference in children's lives.

1. Celebrate! Use "put-ups," not "put-downs."
2. Listen! Show an interest in their passions.
3. Inspire! Expose them to new ideas.
4. Comfort! Stay calm and patient.
5. Collaborate! Ask for their opinions.

[Adapted from changingmindsnow.org](http://changingmindsnow.org) ~ [Learn more Here](#)

Policy Updates

Local Policy

The 79th (2017) Session of the Nevada Legislature will begin on Monday, February 6, 2017.

[See a Tracking List of all Bills related to Children Here!](#)



National Policy

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) was signed by President Obama on December 10, 2015, and represents good news for our nation's schools. This bipartisan measure reauthorizes the 50-year-old Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), the nation's national education law and longstanding commitment to equal opportunity for all students.

The new law builds on key areas of progress in recent years, made possible by the efforts of educators, communities, parents, and students across the country. For example, today, high school graduation rates are at all-time highs. Dropout rates are at historic lows. And more students are going to college than ever before. These achievements provide a firm foundation for further work to expand educational opportunity and improve student outcomes under ESSA.

The previous version of the law, the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act, was enacted in 2002. NCLB represented a significant step forward for our nation's children in many respects, particularly as it shined a light on where students were making progress and where they needed additional support, regardless of race, income, zip code, disability, home language, or background. The law was scheduled for revision in 2007, and, over time, NCLB's prescriptive requirements became increasingly unworkable for schools and educators. Recognizing this fact, in 2010, the Obama administration joined a call from educators and families *to create a better law that focused on the clear goal of fully preparing all students for success in college and careers.*

[Adapted from the US Department of Education](#)

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