Dear Friends,

Welcome to the Spring 2021 issue of the NICRP Newsletter! Though this past year has been filled with many changes and lingering uncertainties, NICRP remains committed to serving Nevada's children and families through research, evaluation, advocacy, and community engagement.

In this issue, we provide an update on a few of NICRP's activities over the past several months. We have:

- Continued our tradition of Children's Week at the Nevada Legislature in a virtual setting.
- Worked to conduct more outreach and training online to ensure our resources are accessible while we all remain at home.
- Grew our staff on multiple projects to better help our partners and community!

We encourage you to look at our [website](#) for more information on these activities and our other projects and initiatives.

Sincerely,

NICRP

Home to the Nevada Afterschool Network, the Nevada Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program, and Prevent Child Abuse Nevada

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WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST STAFF!

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We're glad to have you join the NICRP family!
April is Child Abuse Prevention Month!

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month, a time to remember that we can each play a part in promoting the social and emotional well-being of children and families in our community. To help promote this reminder, Prevent Child Abuse America and local chapters nationwide use the Pinwheels for Prevention® campaign. The pinwheel is an uplifting reminder of childhood and the bright futures all children deserve.

4th Annual Southern Nevada Summit on Children's Mental Health

May 3 & 4, 2021 - Virtual Event

Join us for a day and a half of professional development and interactive learning from experts on youth mental health, suicide prevention, and Nevada’s System of Care!

CEUs will be available for MFT, LPC, LADC, and Social Work.

20th Annual Nevada Child Abuse Prevention & Safety Conference

June 9 & 10, 2021 - Virtual Event

The Nevada Child Abuse Prevention and Safety Conference brings together professionals and community members from across the state with the mission to learn, inspire, network, connect, and collaborate to build safe, stable, and nurturing environments for ALL Children in Nevada.

This year’s theme is *Increasing Relief*, with a focus on communicating and collaborating to support our children, families, and communities *efficiently and effectively*.

2021 Nevada Legislative Session
The first ever virtual Children's Week at the NV Legislature was a great success! If you didn't get a chance to join us, there are still plenty of ways for you to stay involved in the current legislative session and advocate on behalf of children and families.

- [2021 Children's Bill Tracker](#)
- [How to Virtually Participate in the Legislative Session](#)
- [Children's Week Recorded Sessions](#)

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**A Reminder from the Nevada Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Team**

As a reminder, all children should be tested for lead at 12 and 24 months or at least once before 6 years of age if not previously tested.

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**Screening for lead poisoning is simple, cost-effective, and can be life changing.**

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