

NCMS Alliance Symposia 1999-2007

2007 Symposium: The New Millennium Adolescent

November 2

Embassy Suites, Raleigh, NC

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Featuring Michael J. Bradley, author of *The Heart and Soul of the Next Generation* and *Yes, Your Teen is Crazy!*

Breakout Sessions:

Socioeconomic Influences: Challenges to Education

Ann Rollins and James C. Thomas

Cyberbullying: Keeping Up with the Evolution of Bullying

William Lassiter, MPA

Practical Intervention Strategies

Michael J. Bradley, Ph.D.

Summary:

The 2007 Symposium: The New Millennium Adolescent addressed the continually-evolving social changes that are influencing the physical, cognitive and socio-emotional development of adolescents. The program and breakout sessions focused on providing participants with adaptive tools and strategies to help in parenting and working with adolescents. The 2007 Symposium offered three-hour session led by Dr. Bradley and breakout sessions with three primary objectives: (1) Examine recent neurological science which radically redefines our understanding of adolescence; (2) review current cultural trends that traumatically impact teenagers and their families; (3) offer a model of working with teens that incorporates their neurological and cultural needs.



2006 Symposium: Risky Business

Grandover Resort & Conference Center, Greensboro, NC

Featuring Barbara Strauch, author of *The Primal Teen*

October 26

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Breakout Sessions:

Adolescents and Substance Abuse

Understanding Adolescent Sexuality

Adolescents and Gangs

AD/HD

Cynthia Kuhn, Ph.D.

Kay Phillips

Danya Perry

Arthur D. Anastopoulos, Ph.D.

Summary:

The 2006 Symposium: Risky Business addressed the extraordinary developmental issues facing adolescents with a focus on the changes in brain structure. The keynote presentation centered on identifying and understanding the key neurobiological development needs of youth during the adolescent years will be a basic component of discussion. Concurrent sessions of the summit will include strategies to ensure healthy adolescent growth while addressing adolescent risk-taking behaviors such as violence, bullying, substance abuse, eating disorders, and depression as well as recognizing and understanding the impact of abuse and neglect in adolescents.



2005 Symposium: Navigating Adolescence

Grandover Resort & Conference Center, Greensboro ,NC

Featuring Michael Gurian, co-founder of The Gurian Institute and author of *The Minds of Boys*, *The Wonder of Boys*, *Boys and Girls Learn Differently*, and *The Wonder of Girls*.

October 14

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Breakout Sessions:

Reaching At-Risk Youth

Teens and Depression

In Their Seats, Not in the Streets

What's Normal, What's Not: Recognizing and Treating Emerging Mental Illness in Adults

From Research to Practice: Addressing the Needs of Girls and Boys in the Classroom

Sol Gordon, Ph.D.

Maoud Hejazi, MD

William Lassiter, MPA

Diana O. Perkins, MD

Peggy Daniels

and Claudia Sherry

Summary:

The 2005 Symposium: Navigating Adolescence focused on understanding male energy from the inside out to empower parents, teachers and all who care for boys' minds. During the keynote presentation and the breakout sessions, presenters examined: 1) Understanding the male learning style 2) Saving our sons from falling behind in school and in life 3) Ensuring good schooling for boys by exploring the role of parents and communities and 4) Examining new methods, strategies and teaching techniques proven to work in schools, classrooms and homes.



2004 Symposium: All Kinds of Minds

McKimmon Center, Raleigh, NC

Featuring Dr. Mel Levine, Co-founder All Kinds of Minds and Director of the Clinical Center for the Study of Development and Learning at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

November 9

10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Breakout Sessions:

Child Abuse Prevention: The Educator's Perspective
The Value of Sportsmanship

Jennifer Tolle Whiteside
William Lassiter, MPA

Summary

The 2004 Symposium: All Kinds of Minds included a keynote presentation by Dr. Mel Levine, nationally renowned pediatrician and co-founder of All Kinds of Minds®, who discussed ways parents, educators and clinicians can understand how brain functions affect learning, identify learning difficulties without labels and bring optimism to the process of addressing children's challenges.



2003 Symposium: Girls in Crisis

McKimmon Center, Raleigh, NC

Featuring Dr. Deborah Prothrow-Stith, author of *Deadly Consequences*, *Murder Is No Accident*, *Peace by Piece*,
Violence Prevention Curriculum for Adolescents

October 24

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Summary:

The 2003 Symposium: Girls in Crisis explored increases in girls' involvement in delinquency and crime. Dr. Deborah Prothrow-Stith addressed issues pertaining to youth, bullying, and violence with an emphasis on girls. The keynote presentation highlighted violence prevention related activities including adolescent job and life skills training, and gang prevention initiatives.

2002 Symposium: Stop the Bullying Without Becoming One

Grandover Resort & Conference Center, Greensboro, NC

Featuring SuEllen Fried, co-author of *Bullies* and *Victims: Helping Your Child Through the Schoolyard Battlefield*

November 15

1:15 p.m – 4:15 p.m.

Summary:

The 2002 Symposium: Stop the Bullying Without Becoming One featured author SuEllen Fried and focused on the consequences of bullying behaviors that extend beyond the playground and into the home. The primary objective of the presentation was to address how to stop the cycle of abuse created by bullying and ways to create an atmosphere of kindness and respect.



2001 Symposium: Childhood Lost

Grandover Resort & Conference Center, Greensboro, NC

Featuring Dr. David Elkind, Professor of Child Development, Tufts University and Author of *The Hurried Child: Growing Up Too Fast, Too Soon*.

November 9

1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Summary:

The 2001 Symposium: Childhood Lost examined the unique problems and stressors experienced by teenagers and parents with an emphasis on pressures to succeed that impact the health of children and adolescents. Psychologist David Elkind provided explanations of teenage behavior and offers realistic suggestions about how to respond to it.

2000 Symposium: What Boys Need

Grandover Resort & Conference Center, Greensboro, NC

Featuring James Garbarino, Ph.D., Director, Just for Kids!

and Dr. Daniel J. Kindlon, co-author of *Raising Cain: Protecting the Emotional Life of Boys*

November 10

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Summary:

The 2000 Symposium: What Boys Need included a presentation by James Garbarino, Ph.D., centered on identifying children who are at risk, helping parents and educators understand youth violence, and offering proven methods to prevent aggressive behavior. Dr. Kindlon's presentation focused on the behavioral problems of children and adolescents.



1999 Symposium: Violence in the Media: Teaching Our Children to Kill

November 13

Sheraton Imperial Hotel, Research Triangle Park, NC

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Featuring Lt. Col. Dave Grossman, author of *On Killing: The Psychological Cost of Learning to Kill in War and Society* and Dr. James T. Hamilton, author of *Channeling Violence, The Economic Market for Violent Television Programming*

Summary:

The 1999 Symposium: Violence in the Media – Teaching Our Children to Kill addressed the health risks associated with exposure to violence in the electronic media. The program included a multi-media introduction to the world of media violence and a montage of images from television shows and movies, and video games. Lt. Col. Dave Grossman delivered the keynote presentation including an overview of research regarding teen violence and media. Dr. James T. Hamilton, Assistant Professor of Public Policy and Economics at Duke University discussed the reasons and implications of the financial incentives for violent programming.

