



**The Leadership Symposia
on Evidence-Based Practice
in the Human Services**



*2007
Summer Research Sessions*

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University of California, Davis**

*Presented by
the California Social Work Education Center (CalSWEC) and
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8:30–9:30 a.m.—Continental Breakfast and Registration

9:30–10:15 a.m.

Ballroom A

Welcome & Introductions

Stuart Oppenheim, *M.S.W., Executive Director, Child and Family Policy Institute of California*

Opening Plenary Panel: Linking Research and Practice

- Using the Research Agenda to Link Universities and Agencies as a Statewide Effort
Barrett Johnson, *LCSW, Director, Child Welfare In-Service Training Project, CalSWEC, UC Berkeley*
- Linking University Curriculum with Research (The work of the Clearinghouse with San Diego State)
Charles Wilson, *M.S.S.W., Executive Director, Chadwick Center for Children & Families*
- Linking Evidence to Practice: Process of Knowledge Management (BASSC)
Michael J. Austin, *Ph.D., Bay Area Social Services Consortium (BASSC), School of Social Welfare, University of California, Berkeley*
- Tying It All Together/Plan for the Day
Chris Mathias, *M.S.W., Director, CalSWEC, UC Berkeley*

10:15–10:30 a.m.—Break & Transition to Morning Breakouts

10:30 a.m.–12:00 noon

Morning Breakout Sessions: Building Research

Meeting Room 3

- The School Enrollment Process for Group Home Youth: An Examination of Interagency Collaboration on Behalf of Youth Transitioning into New Group Homes
Robert Ayasse, *LCSW, Field Consultant/Lecturer, School of Social Welfare, University of California, Berkeley*

Ballroom A

- Inter-agency and University Research Collaboration in Child Welfare—Study of Another Road to Safety
Amy Conley, M.S.W., Ph.D., Project Coordinator, Center for Child & Youth Policy
- It Can Work! Lessons Learned from a Successful University-County Partnership to Study Contra Costa County’s Differential Response System
Amy Price, M.P.A., Project Director, Center for Child & Youth Policy, and Debi Moss, M.S.W., Division Manager, Contra Costa County

Ballroom B

- Factors Leading to Premature Termination of Kinship Care Placements
Janet Chang, M.S.W., Ph.D., Associate Professor, and Ray Liles, Ph.D., LCSW, Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work, CSU, San Bernardino

Meeting Room 1

- Mental Health Utilization and Outcomes for Children & Youth in the Child Welfare System
Kathy Lemon Osterling, M.S.W., Ph.D., Assistant Professor, School of Social Work, San Jose State University; Amando Cablas, Ph.D.; and Judi Boring

12:00 noon–12:30 p.m.—Lunch

Box lunches will be served—enjoy in the ballroom or outside!

12:45–2:15 p.m.

Afternoon Breakouts: Implementing Research

Ballroom A

- The Administrative Use of Data to Promote an Agency Culture of Data-Driven CWS Practice and Service Delivery
Salvador Montana, *M.S.W., Ph.D., Faculty Liaison/Research Consultant, Central California Area Social Services Consortium*; David Plassman, *M.Div., Evaluator, Fresno County DCFS*; Terry Luna, *CWS/CMS Project Coordinator, Central California Training Academy*; and Chris Cole, *M.S.W., Faculty Liaison/Lecturer, Department of Social Work Education, CSU, Fresno*.

Meeting Room 1

- Linking Evidence Based Resources to University Curriculum
Charles Wilson, *M.S.S.W., Executive Director, Chadwick Center for Children & Families*, and Melinda Hohman, *Ph.D., Professor, San Diego State University School of Social Work*

Meeting Room 3

- Research on Supervision and Outcomes
Susan Brooks, *M.S.W., Director, Northern California Training Academy*; Ryan Honomichl, *Ph.D.*; Patty Hunter, *LCSW, Director of Field Education, CSU, Chico*; and Valerie Peck, *LCSW, Project Coordinator, CSU, Chico*.

Ballroom B

- Assessing Child and Youth Well-Being: Implications for Child Welfare Practice
Elizabeth K. Anthony, *Ph.D.*, and Michael J. Austin, *Ph.D.*, *Bay Area Social Services Consortium (BASSC), School of Social Welfare, University of California, Berkeley*

2:15–2:30 p.m.—Break & Transition to Regional Meetings

2:30–3:15 p.m.

Regional Meetings facilitated by Regional Consortia Staff

- Facilitated Conversation: Using the Research Agenda to pose new research questions
Bay Area – *Ballroom A*
Southern/LA – *Ballroom B*
Central – *Meeting Room 1*
Northern – *Meeting Room 3*

3:30–4:00 p.m.

Ballroom A

Closing Plenary Panel

- Report on what each of the Regional Consortia is doing in their Region to generate research questions, develop research, link Universities and Agencies, etc.

Mike Austin – *BASSC*
Jennifer Tucker-Tatlow – *SACHS*
David Foster – *CASSC*
Susan Brooks - *Northern*

- Tying It Up and Looking Forward to January (and Beyond!)
Stuart Oppenheim, *M.S.W., Executive Director, Child and Family Policy Institute of California*
Chris Mathias, *M.S.W., Director, CalSWEC, UC Berkeley*
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NOTES

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