



**“Diagnosing Abuse:
Are we missing something?”**

***14th Annual
Medical Conference on
Child Abuse
and Neglect***



Prevention - Protection - Advocacy

***April 22-23, 2009
Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center
55 South Harrison Road
East Lansing, MI 48824***

**Sponsored by Michigan Department of Human Services
Medical Advisory Committee, in cooperation with Helen
DeVos Children’s Hospital.**



OBJECTIVE:

The objective of the conference is to provide physicians and other health care providers with a broad range of practical information to help diagnose child abuse and neglect. The topics of the conference include: Evidence Based Medicine (EBM), Chronic Subdural Hematomas, Failure to Thrive, Mimics of abuse, Human Papilloma Virus (HPV), Herpes Simplex Virus (HSV), physical abuse, pornography and court testimony.

LEARNING OUTCOME:

Participants will leave the conference with enhanced knowledge of the diagnostic and management skills needed when faced with a child suspected of being abused or neglected.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Physicians and other health care providers in a variety of practice settings who examine and treat children suspected of being victims of child abuse and/or neglect.

CONFERENCE SITE AND ACCOMMODATIONS:

Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center
55 S. Harrison Road
East Lansing, MI 48824

General Phone: 517/432-4000
Reservation Phone: 800/875-5090
Website: www.kelloggcenter.com
Room Rate: \$65.00 Single/\$75.00 Double

Hotel reservations must be made before March 23, 2009 to guarantee these room rates and availability. After that date, availability is on a first come, first served, and rate available basis. When making reservations specify that you are attending the Department of Human Services, 14th Annual Medical Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect. If you will be staying overnight, lodging expenses are your responsibility.



REGISTRATION / CONFERENCE FEES:

The conference is free of charge and is sponsored by the Medical Advisory Committee of the Michigan Department of Human Services, in cooperation with Helen DeVos Children's Hospital. Conference materials, continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. **If you register and then cannot attend, please notify us as soon as possible.**

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION:

The Grand Rapids Medical Education and Research Center is accredited by the Michigan State Medical Society Committee on CME Accreditation to provide continuing medical education for physicians. The Grand Rapids Medical Education and Research Center designates this educational activity for a maximum of 9 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)TM*. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Our thanks to the Medical Advisory Committee, including conference planning committee for all the hard work that went into the planning of this conference:

Sarah Brown, D.O.; Tracy Cyrus, LMSW; Michele Davenport; Marcus DeGraw, M.D.; Colette Gushurst, M.D.; Jay Eastman, M.D.; Ted Forrest; Pamela W. Hammel, D.D.S.; Zoe Lyons; Lisa Markman, M.D.; Bethany Mohr, M.D.; Jennifer Montague, MSW; Dena Nazer, M.D.; Elaine S. Pomeranz, M.D.; Patricia Siegel, Ph.D.; N. Debra Simms, M.D.; and Mary Smyth, M.D.



FEATURED SPEAKERS:

Christopher S. Greeley, M.D.

Presenting on: “Evidenced Based Medicine (EBM)-What We Know and How We Know It?” and “Chronic Subdural Hematomas”

Dr. Greeley is recognized nationally as an expert in the field of child maltreatment. He is an Attending Physician at LBJ Hospital in Houston, Texas and is the Vice-Chair for Academic Affairs in the Department of Pediatrics, University of Texas Health Sciences Center at Houston. Dr. Greeley will explore the importance of a critical literature appraisal and discuss how Evidenced Based Medicine applies to child abuse.

The talk will focus on how to understand the medical literature in general, and will use examples of different quality of medical literature pertaining to child abuse and compare and contrast the strength of conclusions. The talk will also address different pitfalls which can occur when reading the medical literature.

The presentation on Chronic Subdural Hematoma will focus on chronic subdural hematomas in children. We will discuss the macro and micro anatomy of the dural membrane and how subdural hematomas form. The talk will focus on what is known about the formation of chronic subdural hematomas in children. The goal is to help clinicians understand the complexity of chronic collections in children.



Debra Simms, M.D.

Presenting on: “Medical Resources System Services” and “Pornography”

Dr. Simms is the Division Chief of the Center for Child Protection at Helen DeVos Children’s Hospital and is the Medical Director for the Medical Resources System (MRS) contract with the State of Michigan Department of Human Services. Dr. Simms is recognized as a medical expert in Michigan regarding child physical and sexual abuse injuries. During this session, she will explain the services provided under the MRS contract, explain how to assist communities establish their own medical resources and provide MRS contact information to all attendees.

Dr. Simms will identify the current definition of pornography. She will also explain the influence technology has had on child pornography. Dr. Simms will identify perpetrator characteristics and will identify resources for further study or assistance.

Sarah J. Brown, D.O.

Presenting on: “Failure to Thrive - How Thin is Too Thin?”

Dr. Brown is a Pediatrician with the Center for Child Protection at Helen DeVos Children’s Hospital and specializes in completing medical evaluations on children suspected of being physically and sexually abused. Dr. Brown will discuss the accepted definition of Failure to Thrive, the continuum of physiologic to psychosocial root causes, the most common associated medical problems, and long term consequences.

Dena Nazer, M.D.

Presenting on: “Mimics of Abuse”

Dr. Nazer is the Medical Director of the Child Protection Center at Children’s Hospital of Michigan. Dr. Nazer completed her pediatric residency at Children’s Hospital of Michigan/Wayne State University and then completed a 2 year fellowship in Child Abuse. Dr. Nazer will present several conditions that may mimic child abuse. She will also advise on how to perform a thorough evaluation and reach a diagnosis when presented with a similar condition.



Collette Gushurst, M.D.

Presenting on: "Sexual Abuse - HPV and HSV"

Dr. Gushurst is employed with the Michigan State University, Department of Pediatrics, Kalamazoo Center for Medical Studies. She was the recipient of a Recognition Award from Children's Protective Services in West Virginia and has over 20 years of experience completing medical evaluations on suspected child abuse and neglect cases. Dr. Gushurst will identify the common clinical appearances of these infections and will discuss the "ubiquitousness" of HPV and the prevalence of HSV, along with the challenges of diagnosis and management of HPV and HSV as they relate to sexual abuse.

Elaine Pomeranz, M.D.

Presenting on: "Court Testimony"

Dr. Pomeranz is a Pediatric Emergency Medicine Physician at the University of Michigan. She served as the Medical Director of the Child Protection Team at the University of Michigan from 1999-2006. Dr. Pomeranz has testified in numerous court proceedings and will explain what a subpoena means and how to respond to it. She will also identify key steps to preparing for court testimony, along with offering tips on "do's" and "don'ts".

Lisa Markman, M.D.

Presenting on: "Physical Abuse"

Dr. Markman is the Associate Medical Director of the Child Protection Team at the University of Michigan, Mott Children's Hospital. Dr. Markman will identify abusive versus non-abusive burn and bruise patterns of injury. She will also explain which fractures are concerning for abusive injuries and will differentiate the characteristics of adult, child and animal bite patterns.



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Wednesday, April 22nd, 2009

6:00 - 9:00pm **Case Presentations: Ask the Experts**
 Case presentations and discussions moderated by the Medical Advisory Committee. Physician members of the committee will present selected cases for discussion. Attendees are encouraged bring their own cases for discussion. All are welcome to attend.

**Please remember to use non-identifying case information.*

Thursday, April 23rd, 2009

7:00 - 8:00am	Registration	
7:30 - 8:00am	Central Lobby	Continental Breakfast
8:00 - 8:15am	Auditorium	Welcome & Introduction Michele Davenport, DHS
8:15 - 10:00am	Auditorium	Keynote Session: Evidenced Based Medicine (EBM): What We Know and How Do We Know It? Christopher S. Greeley, M.D.
10:00 - 10:15am	Break	
10:15 - 11:15am	Auditorium	Chronic Subdural Hematomas Christopher S. Greeley, M.D.
11:15 - 11:30		Medical Resource System Services (MRS) Contract Update N. Debra Simms, M.D.
11:30 - 12:30pm	Big Ten Room B	Lunch
*Concurrent sessions	Lincoln Room	Big Ten Room C
12:30 - 1:30pm	Failure to Thrive- How thin is too thin? Sarah Brown, D.O.	Mimics Of Abuse Dena Nazer, M.D.
1:30 - 1:40pm	Break	
1:40 - 2:40pm	Sexual Abuse-HPV & HSV Collette Gushurst, M.D.	Court Testimony Elaine Pomeranz, M.D.
2:40 - 2:50	Break	
2:50 - 3:50	Physical Abuse Lisa Markman, M.D.	Pornography N. Debra Simms, M.D.



REGISTRATION FORM
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Name _____
 Job Title _____
 Organization _____
 Address _____
 City, State, Zip _____
 Email _____
 Phone () _____ Fax () _____

Will you also be attending the Wednesday evening case discussion session from 6:00 - 9:00 pm April 22, 2009? Yes No

Will you be bringing a case to review? Yes No

If yes, bring CD, pictures, or flashdrive.

Please remember to use non-identifying case information.

Please detach and mail or fax the completed form by April 10, 2009 to:

DHS
 P.O. Box 30037, Suite 510
 Lansing, MI 48909
 Phone: (517) 335-3704
 Fax: (517) 241-7047



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