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## The 31st Annual U of M Child Abuse and Neglect Conference

On October 22nd and 23rd the University of Michigan and the Children's Trust Fund will co-sponsor the 31st Annual U of M Child Abuse and Neglect Conference which will again be held at the Inn at St. John's in Plymouth, Michigan. Keynote speakers include Patricia Stanislaski ([patstanislaski.com/](http://patstanislaski.com/)) who will speak on the topic of Child Abuse Prevention; Kent Hymel, MD ([www.linkedin.com/pub/kent-hymel/22/862/900](http://www.linkedin.com/pub/kent-hymel/22/862/900)) who will speak on the topic of Fractures. In addition, 35 additional workshops will be held on topics related to the prevention, treatment and assessment of child abuse and neglect and the annual CTF Direct Service & Local Council's Peer Session will be held on October 22nd. For additional information please feel free to contact Jeff Sadler at: [sadlerm@michigan.gov](mailto:sadlerm@michigan.gov).

## The Inn at St. John's Location and Contact Information



Located in the heart of Metropolitan Detroit's dynamic western suburbs, The Inn at St. John's offers superior access to the area's major freeways with Detroit Metropolitan Airport just minutes away. Step away from the ordinary and experience all we have to offer. The Inn at St. John's is just minutes away from Livonia & Novi and is easily accessible. St. John's picturesque grounds provide the peace and tranquility your important gathering requires without the inconvenience of leaving the metropolitan area.

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# Regional Meetings



CTF regional meetings have begun once more for the 3rd year in a row. The state's Local Councils are divided into 7 regions. On June 27, 2012, we began with the southeast region in Ann Arbor. It was a great, animated day with over 20 Local Council enthusiastic attendees. Thanks to all who attended! A special thank you goes to Jyoti Gupta for hosting the regional meeting. The feedback from the meetings was very positive. Topics covered during the 7 hour meeting included; council sharing with a focus on fundraising, technical assistance with EGrAMS reporting including feedback from councils about improving the reporting process, a council sharing/peer review process with a focus on board development and finally an exploration of Safe Sleep programming. Information obtained in the Safe Sleep module will be shared with DHS executive leadership.

Additional meetings are arranged throughout the summer in Stanton, Kalamazoo, Saginaw, Gaylord, Newberry and Marquette. These engaging sessions afford regional partners, to share and gain support from each other. In addition to council coordinators, Local Councils are welcome and encouraged to bring others to the regional meetings. The input from board members and volunteers at this past meeting enriched all discussions.

Please contact Emily ([wachsbergere@michigan.gov](mailto:wachsbergere@michigan.gov)) with any questions about the 6 remaining meetings. The meetings take place from 9am – 4pm. Lunch and snacks are provided by CTF. See below for further information about the remaining 6 meetings.

- West – Thursday, July 12th, Montcalm ISD, 621 New Street, Stanton, MI 48888
- Southwest – Monday, July 16th, Goodwill Industries Building, 420 East Alcott Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49001
- East – Tuesday, July 31st, Mid-Michigan Children's Museum 315 W. Genesee Ave Saginaw, MI 48602
- Northern Lower Peninsula, Wednesday, August 1st, BJ's Banquet Meeting Rooms, 990 N. Center St, Gaylord, MI, 49735
- Eastern Upper Peninsula – Wednesday, September 19th, Village Inn of Newberry, 7552 M-123, Newberry, MI, 49868
- Western Upper Peninsula, Wednesday, September 14th, Conference RESA, Rm. D, 321 East Ohio Street, Marquette, MI 49855

## Free Child Identification Services Available at Masonic Lodges in Southwest Michigan

Masonic lodges in Southwest Michigan will offer free child identification services this Summer in partnership with the Michigan Child Identification Program. Parents will receive dental impressions, finger prints, a photo and video to be used in case of an emergency requiring activating the Amber Alert tracking system.

The times and locations are as follows:

- July 14 in Parchment at the Parchment Public Library from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- July 29 in Berrien Springs at the Trinity Lutheran School from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- Aug. 7 in St. Joseph at Riverview Park from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- Aug. 9 in Berrien Springs at The Berrien RESA from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
- Aug. 10 in South Haven at the South Haven City Hall from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Aug. 15 in Lawrence at the VBCISD Technical Center from 2:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
- Aug. 16 in Berrien Springs at the Berrien County Youth Fair from 4:00 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Aug. 25 in Marcellus at the Marcellus Fire Department from noon to 4 p.m.

Source: Ian Kullgren (2012, July 2). MLive. July 3, 2012 information retrieved, from [http://blog.mlive.com/kzgazette\\_impact/print.html?entry=/2012/07/free\\_child\\_identification\\_serv.html](http://blog.mlive.com/kzgazette_impact/print.html?entry=/2012/07/free_child_identification_serv.html).

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