

ABOUT



WE BELIEVE

All children have a fundamental right to live in safe families and communities, to be emotionally and physically healthy, and to receive the necessary support in order to achieve academic and life success.

WE EMPOWER

Communities to take action and make positive change in the lives of children. We do this by:

- **ADVANCING AWARENESS**
- **ACCELERATING KNOWLEDGE**
- **ADVOCATING FOR CHANGE**

WE SERVE

Children by equipping parents, healthcare and education professionals, and policy makers with a tool belt for better-informed decision making and best practices in parenting and treating youth.



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CHILDWISE
INSTITUTE

presents

Why They Do What They Do



HOW UNDERSTANDING BRAIN
DEVELOPMENT CAN LEAD TO
GREATER EMPATHY FOR CHILDREN

Saturday, October 27, 2012

Hilton Garden Inn
1840 Highway 93 South
Kalispell, Montana

9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
(Registration begins a half-hour prior)

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

Elizabeth Kohlstaedt, Ph.D., is a licensed psychologist and has been the Clinical Director of Intermountain since 1990. Dr.

Kohlstaedt received a B.A. in German, an M.S. in linguistics, an



M.A. in physiological psychology and a Ph.D. in clinical psychology. She has served as adjunct faculty at Syracuse University, and has trained medical, psychology, social work and counseling interns from around Montana and around the country. Dr. Kohlstaedt has appeared on Prime Time Live, National Public Radio and in the Los

Angeles Times.

Jim FitzGerald, M.P.A., is Chief Executive Officer of

Intermountain, a nationally recognized, multi-service program



specializing in the treatment of children suffering from complex trauma since 1982.

He has worked at Intermountain for over 30 years in the areas of program development, training, and administration. He has a B.A. in psychology and M.A. in public administration.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Intermountain's dynamic training is suitable for educators, youth-workers, mental health professionals, probation officers, church leaders, healthcare providers, parents and individuals interested in understanding how to help children realize their full potential.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Up to 5.5 CEU credits and OPI renewals are available for social workers, therapists, healthcare providers, psychologists and educators.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Discounts are available for parents and caregivers, contact the conference coordinator for details. www.childwise.org

COURSE

Description

AGENDA

8:30 A.M. – 9:00 A.M.

Registration

9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Brain Development

Elizabeth Kohlstaedt, Ph.D.

12:00 P.M. - 1:30 P.M.

Lunch (On your own)

1:30 P.M. - 4:30 P.M.

Sustaining Empathy

Jim FitzGerald, M.P.A.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Difficulties associated with failure to master significant developmental stages and domains are often associated with insecure attachment and are compounded through childhood and adolescence. Attachment disruptions compromise normal childhood development and give rise to complex emotional and behavioral difficulties in many special needs youth. These special needs youth are often misunderstood, leading to poor assessments, misguided interventions and multiple academic and out-of-home placements that fail.

Participants will understand the interface of attachment and developmental processes. They will also learn the origin and assessment of emotional and behavior difficulties and central issues that must be addressed to foster change and growth.

This presentation will focus on attachment and developmental theory and will address:

- The **developmental origins** of emotional and behavioral difficulties in children.
- The **interface** between attachment and developmental processes which give rise to emotional and behavioral difficulties in personality formation.
- How **skewed developmental** processes compound and exacerbate emotional and behavioral difficulties across time.
- A way of **seeing children** that determines who we can be for them.

REGISTRATION FORM

Register online (preferred): * Registration Deadline Oct. 22nd
www.childwise.org

Or return this form and payment to: ChildWise Institute
Training, PO Box 1170 Helena, MT 59624

Please copy and use a separate form for each person's registration.

Name _____ Credentials _____

Business/Practice _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

REGISTRATION FEE

The registration fee for this training is \$75

Please add an additional \$25 if you wish to claim continuing education credits.

SCHOLARSHIPS & DISCOUNTS

Discounts are available for parents and caregivers. Please contact the conference coordinator for details and to see if scholarships are available.
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PAYMENT INFORMATION

Your registration will not be considered final until payment is received.

Amount Paid: _____

Check Enclosed

Credit Card

Name as it appears on Credit Card: _____

Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____

Signature: _____

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT OUR WEBSITE www.childwise.org

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