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The Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan (PAAM), Child Abuse Training Services (CATS), in cooperation with the Prosecuting Attorneys Coordinating Council (PACC), and the Department of Human Services (DHS) is pleased to present this cross professional, Specialized Child Abuse Training seminar on the topic of **Internet Safety and Grooming Behaviors: Identifying and Understanding Hidden Dangers.**

This seminar is designed for prosecuting attorneys, law enforcement officials, CPS and Foster Care workers and private agency workers interested in expanding their knowledge of internet crimes against children. The morning session will focus on how information is gathered and distributed via the web and the easy access predators often have to gaining the information child victims make available online. Attendees will also see research exposing things kids deem acceptable and unacceptable to share with others online. The afternoon session will explain the grooming behavior of predators and the role those behaviors play in the sexual abuse of child victims. Attendees will also learn ways to obtain information about internet crimes during the forensic interviewing process and how to use this information during an investigation and prosecution.

**The training will take place October 3, 2012 at the Van Buren Conference Center, located at 490 South Paw Paw Street, Lawrence, MI 49064.**

There is no registration fee for this training. DHS employees may attend this training with approval from local office management. **The registration deadline is September 24, 2012.** See the following registration materials for information on how to register. Please register as soon as possible, as space is limited to 35 registrants.

DHS employees who fail to attend, arrive late, depart early, or attend only portions of this training session will not receive credit for this training. Local offices may be contacted and informed of employees failure to meet attendance expectations.

Local offices are responsible for all travel costs. DHS employees attending from the same community should car pool to reduce travel expenses. Employees travelling over 50 miles one way can request reimbursement for overnight accommodations (See the registration materials for more information on hotel accommodations).

For registration questions, please contact Jennifer Doerr from PAAM at [Doerri@michigan.gov](mailto:Doerri@michigan.gov) or (517) 334-6060 extension 836.

# SPECIALIZED CHILD ABUSE TRAINING

## INTERNET SAFETY & GROOMING BEHAVIORS

### *Identifying and Understanding Hidden Dangers*

October 3, 2012

Van Buren Conference Center

490 S. Paw Paw Street

Lawrence, MI 49064

(269) 674-8091 ext. 210

(One form per person. Duplicate if necessary. **Please type or print clearly.**)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please select the category that best describes your current job description:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> CAC Forensic Interviewer  | <input type="checkbox"/> Medical personnel (SANE, MD)         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CAC other   | <input type="checkbox"/> Private Agency (FC, Adoption, etc..) |
| <b>DHS (choose below)</b>  | <input type="checkbox"/> Prosecutor/Assistant                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CPS worker/investigator   | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Tribal</b> CPS                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Foster Care worker  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Tribal</b> PA/APA                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: i.e. Adoption, Licensing,<br>Manager, Supervisor, etc... | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Tribal</b> Other                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Law enforcement   | <input type="checkbox"/> Victim advocate/witness professional |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: be specific:                  |

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: (for seminar confirmation)

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Signature

***Your signature is your guarantee that you will attend both days of training***

Do you have any specific questions/issues you would like addressed at the seminar?

Confirmation details for this seminar will be sent out approx. 2 weeks prior to the seminar date.

**Fax this form to the Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan, Child Abuse Training Services office at 517-334-6787 by September 24, 2012.**

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The Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan (PAAM) Child Abuse Training Services program (CATS), in cooperation with the Prosecuting Attorneys Coordinating Council (PACC), and the Department of Human Services (DHS), is pleased to present a state-wide, cross-professional Specialized Child Abuse Training seminar on the topics of internet safety and understanding grooming behavior. This seminar will be held Wednesday, October 3, 2012. The seminar will begin with registration at 8:30 a.m. and conclude by 4:00 p.m.

The morning session on internet safety will provide the attendee with a broader knowledge of how information is gathered and distributed via the web. Predators often have a very easy time gaining access to their victims because of information victims have made available online. This class will discuss social networking sites, the dangers of picture posting, sexting, cyber bullying, and current statutes governing these topics. Attendees will also learn what kids are exposed to online and see research exposing the things kids deem "acceptable" and "unacceptable" to share with someone online.

The afternoon session will be "Understanding Grooming Behavior." This presentation introduces and explains the role grooming plays in the sexual abuse of child victims. Attendees will be presented with the different types of grooming behavior, the types of suspects who utilize the techniques, how to obtain this information in the forensic interview, how to utilize the information during the investigation and prosecution, and why it is important to recognize the behavior.

Enclosed, please find a copy of the registration form for the seminar. There is no tuition charge or charge for materials for this seminar. Attendees are responsible for overnight accommodations, transportation, meals, and other incidental costs. If there are specific questions you would like to have addressed at the seminar, please list them on the registration form, and the questions will be provided to the faculty in advance.

Due to the cross-professional nature of the program, we anticipate a great deal of interest. Please register early since registration is limited to 35 people. When space at seminars is available, we welcome participation from professionals in addition to DHS workers, law enforcement, and prosecutors. If registrations exceed 35, we must give priority to our target group. Due to space limitations, and to facilitate participant diversity, PAAM reserves the right to limit the number of attendees from the same agency. **Registering by the cut-off date does not guarantee you a spot in the seminar.**

*Please be advised that your request to attend this seminar is considered a personal commitment to participate in the entire program.*

**Registration forms must be received by the Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan's office no later than 5:00 p.m., Thursday, September 24, 2012.** A confirmation letter will be sent to you approximately two weeks prior to the seminar. Please contact Jennifer Doerr if you need a recommendation about where to stay or if you have questions at (517) 334-6060 ext. 836.

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