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Upcoming Workshops Focus on Safety Planning

SAFETY PLANNING

*for professionals in psychology, behavioral health, social work,
schools, health/medical professionals, & parents/caregivers*



The Stanley-Brown Model

with Dr. Kate Speck

June 7, 2024, 1:30-3pm (Central)



An Introduction to the Youth-Nominated Support Teams (YST)

with Dr. Alejandra Arango

June 28, 2024, 10-11:30am (Central)

Dr. Kate Speck and **Dr. Alejandra Arango** will each lead upcoming trainings focused on safety planning. On June 7, Dr. Speck will focus on aspects of evidenced-based safety planning, warning signs of self-directed violence, and eight incremental steps of safety planning focusing on the Stanley-Brown Model. On June 28, Dr. Arango's training will focus on the Youth-Nominated Support Team (YST) program and the role of mental health professionals in delivering the YST program and the potential long-term impacts. [Learn More.](#)

**PPC Staff Attend National Suicide Prevention
Awareness Conference**



Center research staff attended the **American Association of Suicidology Annual Conference** this month. Quinn Lewandowski presented on Nebraska's efforts to support the zero suicide movement. Dr. Denise Bulling (not pictured), Dr. Stacey Hoffman, and Sarah Erdmann also attended the conference, representing PPC's efforts on the youth suicide prevention and campus suicide grants.

Faculty Highlight

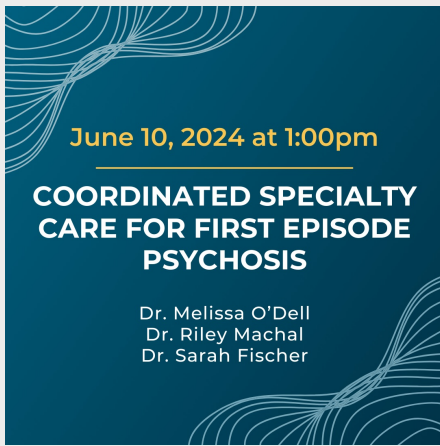


Carrick Detweiler Receives NU Faculty Innovation Award

Interim President Chris Kabourek announced the 2024 recipients of the University of Nebraska **President's Excellence Awards**. The awards honor faculty whose work in teaching, research, engagement, or commercialization has had a significant impact on students, the university, and the state.

Dr. Carrick Detweiler, has been awarded the Faculty IP Innovation and Commercialization Award (FIPICA), which recognizes faculty members who have developed and nurtured significant new intellectual property from concept to licensing/startup business. Dr. Detweiler is the Susan J. Rosowski Professor in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, faculty fellow of the Robert B. Daugherty Water for Food Institute, faculty fellow of the University of Nebraska Public Policy Center, and co-director of the NIMBUS Lab. Dr. Detweiler's research is focused on developing systems and software to enable interactions of unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) with water, fire, and crops.

[Read More at NE Today](#)



Coordinated Specialty Care for First Episode Psychosis

Drs. Melissa O'Dell, Riley Machal, & Sarah Fischer

Virtual: Via Zoom

June 10, 2024 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

This free training will review the components of a complete biopsychosocial evaluation for a person experiencing psychotic symptoms and how to evaluate for differential diagnoses. [Learn More.](#)

Register Today

Tips & Tricks for Working with Children and Youth in Mental Health Practice

Dr. Cate Jones-Hazledine & Jennifer Jackson

Virtual: Via Zoom June 10, Jul. 26, & Aug. 23* 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

*(select one date to attend)

This free virtual training will provide Nebraska-licensed mental health professionals with an overview workshop to increase interest in providing services to children and youth. [Learn More.](#)

Register Today



Safety Planning - The Stanley-Brown Model

Dr. Kate Speck

Virtual: Via Zoom

June 7, 2024 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

This free training will focus on the Stanley-Brown Model of safety planning in suicide prevention. It covers aspects of evidence-based safety planning, warning signs, and self-directed violence, and eight incremental steps of safety planning. [Learn More.](#)

Register

Safety Planning - An Introduction to the Youth-Nominated Support Teams



Dr. Alejandra Arango

Virtual: Via Zoom

June 28, 2024 10 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

This free training will focus on the Youth-Nominated Support Team and the role of 'caring adults' and the role of mental health professionals in delivering the YST program. **Learn More.**

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Center News

Hoffman Speaks to Lancaster County Justice Council



Dr. Stacey Hoffman presented at the Lancaster County Justice Council meeting about the University of Nebraska Public Policy Center's multi-year evaluations of the Lancaster County Adult Drug Court and Veterans Treatment Court, diversion courts with the goal of helping people with behavioral health issues get treatment rather than ending up in long-term incarceration. The PPC examines court operations, data, and feedback from court participants to inform changes and updates to court programs.

Publication Focuses on New Theory of Trust



A recent publication by **Dr. Lisa PytlikZillig** and her coauthors appeared in the journal of *Group & Organization Management*. The article titled "The Perceived Influence Model of Trust: Toward a Multi-Trustee Theory" aims to fill an important gap in the literature pertaining to pervasive, but rarely considered, multi-trustee situations, and proposes the importance of trustor perceptions of trustee influence and task requirements for future models of trust.

Presentation Focuses on Ethics and Practice of Ombuds

Dr. Kristen Blankley, Henry M. Grether, Jr., Professor of Law at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, and University of Nebraska Public Policy Center Research Manager **Dr. Lisa PytlikZillig** presented



“The Ethics and Practice of Part-time Ombuds: Developing a Research Agenda,” at the Saint Paul Annual Symposium on Informal Conflict Resolution in Ottawa, Canada.

Congratulations Nyagoa Deng



Congratulations to PPC Undergraduate Research Assistant and Policy Scholars Alumni, **Nyagoa Deng**. Nyagoa graduated from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln this month with a bachelor's degree in political science with minors in Human Rights & Humanitarian Affairs and Global Studies. Best of luck with law school, Nyagoa!

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