Global Perspectives on responding to Youth Violence: Emerging Themes and Trends

Presented by Professor Robert Cohen

Seminar Abstract

This seminar will provide an ecological framework for understanding and preventing youth violence. Examples from countries throughout the world will be presented. Social, cultural, political and economic influences on violence prevention efforts will be discussed. Conclusions and lessons learned from fourteen case examples will be provided.

About the Speaker

Robert Cohen, Ph.D. is Professor of Psychiatry and Pediatrics and Vice Chair of the Department of Psychiatry at Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU). He serves as Director of the Virginia Treatment Center for Children, a comprehensive psychiatric hospital for children and adolescents. He was Principal Investigator and Co-Director of the VCU Academic Center of Excellence for the Prevention of Youth Violence, funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. In addition he is Director of the Commonwealth Institute for Child and Family Studies and the Autism Center of Virginia at VCU. He has previously served as Associate commissioner for planning, program development and policy analysis of the New York State Office of Mental Health. He has published nine books, including Chiseled in Sand: Perspectives on Change in Human Service Organizations (Brook/Cole 2000), Hammond’s Choice (Brandylane, 2008), a mystery novel that highlights problems within the child mental health system, and Beyond Suppression: Global Perspectives on Youth Violence (Praeger,2010). He served as chair of the NIMH workgroup on developing an action plan for implementing services research for child and adolescent mental health disorders and directed a statewide assessment of Virginia’s Comprehensive Service Act for At-Risk Youth and Families.

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Light refreshments served on arrival.

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