

15<sup>th</sup> Annual Research Symposium

# CHILD TRAFFICKING: ISSUE AND CHALLENGES

Monday, April 6, 2020 | 12:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Mercy College of Health Sciences, Sullivan Center Room 102

## Purpose

Participants will be able to describe key issues and challenges of child trafficking in the United States and in Iowa, encouraging a multidisciplinary approach to the prevention, investigation and treatment of exploited children and the implications for the larger community.

## Agenda, Objectives, and Speakers

11:30 - 11:45 Poster Setup

12:00 - 12:30 Registration and Poster Viewing

12:30 - 12:35 Welcome: Dr. Douglas Fiore, President, Mercy College of Health Sciences

12:35 - 1:25

**Stephen Patrick O'Meara, JD**

***Significantly Reducing the Incidence of the Trafficking of Children in Iowa for Commercial Sex: The Law and Enforcement as Part of an Holistic Approach***

- Describe sex trafficking, including the system-nature of sex trafficking and its scope of victimization.
- Explain the relationship between adverse childhood experiences and the causation and proof of victimization in sex trafficking; including resulting implications for training, investigation, prosecution, and the comparative advantage of an integrated, multi-disciplinary response to sex trafficking.
- Describe the beginnings of implementation of civil law remedies regarding sex trafficking, including potential implications for health care providers and others.

1:25 - 1:45 Break and Poster Viewing

1:45 - 2:45

**Jordan Greenbaum, MD**

***Keynote: Child Trafficking in the United States: A public health approach to combating exploitation***

- Describe vulnerability factors related to child trafficking.
- Be familiar with the public health approach to human trafficking and exploitation.
- Be familiar with trauma-informed strategies for interacting with trafficked children and youth.

2:45 - 3:00 Break and Poster Viewing

3:00 - 4:00

**Teresa Davidson, ARNP, MSN, MA**

***Child Trafficking Survivors: A Trauma-Informed Approach and Case Studies***

- Identify at least three interventions that could potentially re-traumatize a victim of human trafficking.
- Explain at least three interventions that are trauma-informed and victim-centered.
- Recall what happens in the brain when trauma occurs.
- Describe real-life experiences of people who have been victimized by human trafficking.

4:00 - 4:15 Speaker Panel Q&A



## Pre-Registration

The symposium is free to all attendees. Registration and poster abstract submission is accessible online at [www.mchs.edu/research](http://www.mchs.edu/research) and is open through March 31, 2020.

## Fees

The symposium is free to all attendees.

## Contact

Linda Knowles at (515) 643-6760 or [LKnowles@mercydesmoines.org](mailto:LKnowles@mercydesmoines.org). To learn more, visit: [mchs.edu/research](http://mchs.edu/research).

## Continuing Education

Nurses will be awarded [TBD] contact hours from MercyOne Des Moines Medical Center Board of Nursing provider #17. (Full attendance is required; no partial credit will be given.)

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## Call for Posters

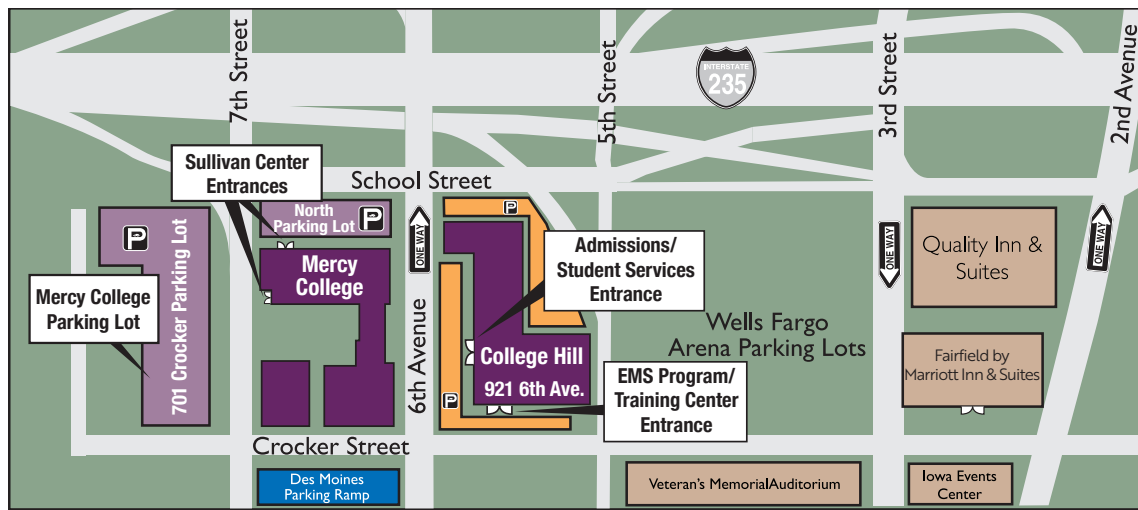
Poster Abstract: Poster abstracts can be submitted online at [mchs.edu/research](http://mchs.edu/research) by March 31, 2020. For questions, please contact Linda Knowles at [lknowles@mercydesmoines.org](mailto:lknowles@mercydesmoines.org) or 515-643-6760.

Poster awards will be given. Students are encouraged to participate!

Poster Categories Include:

- Research (Includes experimental quantitative, qualitative and mixed methods studies. May include evidence-based studies and evaluation studies.)
- Literature Review (Summary of the literature on a specific topic or issue using credible resources.)
- Experiential (Includes reflections on, descriptions of, or outcomes from preceptorships, service learning and clinical experiences.)

How to Get to Campus: Mercy College of Health Sciences is located just south of I-235 between 6th Avenue and 7th Street, and just north of downtown Des Moines. Free visitor parking is available in front of the Sullivan Center (North Parking Lot) or in the lot at 701 Crocker Street. Visit [mchs.edu/maps](http://mchs.edu/maps) for more directions. Enter Mercy College through the Sullivan Center entrance; room SC-102 is in the Sullivan Center lobby.



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