Healing Lives and Communities: Addressing the Effects of Childhood Trauma Across the Life Span

November 6 – 8, 2014 | Pre-Meeting Institutes, November 5
InterContinental Miami, Miami, Florida, USA

Submissions Accepted:
February 4 – March 18, 2014, 5:00 p.m., CDT

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Call for Presentations

The theme of the ISTSS 30th Annual Meeting, “Healing Lives and Communities: Addressing the Effects of Childhood Trauma Across the Life Span,” highlights childhood trauma as an important public health issue that affects individuals, families and communities.

Childhood trauma includes a wide range of potentially traumatizing events, from disasters, accidents and medical events to violence, war, and chronic interpersonal trauma such as abuse or neglect. In the last decade our field has made significant progress in understanding the psychological, social and neurobiological mechanisms involved in the short- and long-term effects of childhood trauma, and the mechanisms that promote resilience.

Health and mental health professionals and policy makers are increasingly aware of the impact of adverse childhood experiences across the life span. A new global collaboration among ISTSS and other traumatic stress societies has recognized a compelling need to address childhood abuse and neglect and the latent impact of that abuse around the world.

The 30th Annual Meeting will feature new developments in the field, and synthesize current understanding of the impact of childhood trauma on health and well-being across the whole life span to consider how families, communities, and culture relate to childhood trauma and its effects. It will provide an opportunity to reflect on how this knowledge informs practice, research and policy.

The ISTSS Annual Meeting welcomes presentations on a wide range of topics related to trauma and traumatic stress.
Compelling topics related to this year’s theme include:

- Assessment of childhood trauma across the life span
- Effects of childhood trauma on the health and mental health of children and adults
- Family- and community-level impact of chronic exposure to childhood trauma
- Neurobiological and epigenetic aspects of childhood trauma
- Developmental pathways and mechanisms in risk and resilience
- Complex trauma-related disorders
- Cultural and global aspects of childhood trauma
- Prevention of childhood trauma and its consequences
- Treatment of childhood trauma across the life span
- Multi-level intervention approaches for individuals, families and communities
- Policy implications for reducing childhood trauma and its impact
- Public health approaches to preventing or ameliorating childhood trauma

Learning Objectives
Meeting participants will be able to:

1. Describe childhood trauma and its short- and long-term effects for individuals, families, and communities.

2. Discuss various developmental pathways through which childhood trauma may lead to long-term mental and physical health problems.

3. Formulate ways to engage individuals, families, and communities to prevent and treat the consequences of childhood trauma.

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• A cross-discipline and global assembly of professionals and students who are committed to understanding and treating trauma and its impact.

Special Spanish-language track in 2014!
In 2014, in collaboration with Argentine Society of Psycho Trauma (SAPsi) and Spanish Society of Psychotrauma, Traumatic Stress and Dissociation (SEPET+D), ISTSS plans to offer a special track of programming in Spanish.

Convocatoria de presentaciones
La 30ª Conferencia Anual de la Sociedad Internacional de Estudios sobre el Estrés Traumático (ISTSS) se llevará a cabo en Miami, Florida, EE.UU. del 6 al 8 de noviembre de 2014. El tema de la conferencia es “Curando Vidas y Comunidades: Abordar los Efectos del Trauma de la Niñez Durante Toda la Vida,” destacando trauma infantil como un problema importante de salud pública que afecta a los individuos, las familias y las comunidades.

La Conferencia Anual de ISTSS invita presentaciones representando la amplia variedad de temas sobre el trauma y el estrés traumático. En 2014, en colaboración con la Sociedad Argentina de Psicotrauma (SAPsi) y la Sociedad Española de Psicotraumatología, Estrés Traumático y Disociación (SEPET + D), ISTSS planea ofrecer una jornada especial de presentaciones en español.

About ISTSS
ISTSS is an international interdisciplinary professional organization that promotes advancement and exchange of knowledge about traumatic stress.

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Who Should Attend?

• Psychiatrists
• Psychologists
• Social workers
• Nurses
• Counselors
• Researchers
• Administrators
• Victim advocates
• Journalists
• Clergy
Full Accreditation Statement

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and Policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint sponsorship of Boston University School of Medicine and ISTSS. Boston University School of Medicine is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

This activity has been approved for AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™.

The meeting will also offer CE credits in psychology, counseling, social work, marriage/family therapy, alcohol and drug counseling and nursing.

Registration – Join ISTSS and Save

Participation in the ISTSS 30th Annual Meeting is limited to registered attendees. Online registration will be available in July 2014. Join ISTSS today – members receive discounted registration. Join securely online at www.istss.org.

Travel Grants

ISTSS’ travel grant program assists eligible speakers from developing countries with expenses associated with the meeting.

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