

Calling All YOUTH ADVOCATES, SERVICE PROVIDERS,  
TEACHERS, and YOUTH SERVING AGENCIES

May 2009 Regional Meetings

## Engaging Bystanders in Violence Prevention

In partnership with the United Way of Danville Area, Children's Home and Aid in Bloomington, and NICASA in Round Lake, the Illinois Center for Violence Prevention is excited to offer this free workshop to service providers and community members. 2.5 CEU's are available for \$15.

### Workshop Objectives:

- Learn what roles bystanders play in an incidence of violence
- Discover why engaging bystanders is a promising violence prevention strategy
- Practice strategies that encourage positive bystander behavior

The spring regional meetings will help build individual and community responsibility for violence prevention by educating and empowering people to take action to help stop violence. Participants will learn strategies to engage their constituents as bystanders who can then appropriately intervene. This model has been successfully applied to other forms of violence including bullying, teen dating violence sexual assault, and other types of violence. Teaching youth how to intervene as a bystander and how to support a friend involved in abuse is an effective way to change their knowledge, beliefs and intentions.

Individuals who witness situations that may lead to violence have the choice to do nothing, to contribute to the negative behavior, to de-escalate the situation or offer support to the target. Research shows that youth targets of bullying and harassment rarely seek help from adults. Therefore, it is particularly important for adults who work with youth to know what effective strategies enable peers to help each other.

### Workshop Locations:

Eastern Illinois	Central Illinois	Chicago	Northern Illinois
Danville	Bloomington	Chicago	Round Lake
<b>Tuesday May 19, 2009</b>	<b>Tuesday May 19, 2009</b>	<b>Wednesday May 20, 2009</b>	<b>Thursday May 21, 2009</b>
9:00am – 11:30am	2:00pm – 4:30pm	2:00pm- 4:30pm	9:30am -12:00pm
Danville Area Community College 2000 E Main St Danville, IL 61832	Children's Home and Aid 403 South State Street Bloomington, IL 61701	Illinois Center for Violence Prevention 70 E. Lake St. #720 Chicago, IL 60615	NICASA 31979 N. Fishlake Rd Round Lake, IL 60073

**To register: Fax form to 312-922-2277**

**Questions?** Rashada Dawan, 312-986-9200 x233 or rdawan@icvp.org

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**YES! I will attend an ICVP Regional Network meeting (Select ONE location):**

- Danville- May 19 (9 a.m. -11:30 a.m.)
- Bloomington- May 19 (2 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.)
- Chicago- May 20 (2 p.m. -4:30 p.m.)
- Round Lake- May 21 (9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.)

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

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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**We encourage you to join ICVP membership.**

**However, Regional Meetings are FREE of charge to everyone.**

To receive 2.5 CEUs for participating in the workshop, please bring or send a \$15 check made out to ICVP.

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**Illinois Center for Violence Prevention Membership Application:**

While it is NOT necessary to become an ICVP member to attend the regional meeting, membership in the Illinois Center for Violence Prevention gives you the opportunity to join other concerned individuals in reducing the devastation caused by violence. Membership benefits include:

- 1) *Violence Prevention News* e-newsletter
- 2) E-mail/mail updates on pertinent violence prevention issues, strategies, and funding sources
- 3) Reduced fees (organizational members only) for training, consultation, and evaluation services
- 4) Reduced registration fee for ICVP's annual statewide conference

Would you like to join ICVP's membership or renew your membership?

- Yes, I would like to become a *new* member
- Yes, I would like to *renew* my membership
- I am currently a member of ICVP
- No, I do not wish to become a member of ICVP at this time

**Membership Dues:** Minimum annual membership dues are only \$25 for individuals and \$100 for organizations

- \$25 Individual
- \$100 Organization
- Other donation \$

**Make membership check payable to:**

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