

***Child Abuse Interviewing Skills Training***

(Formerly FIBP Training)

# Provider

Fordham University GSS: Children and Families Institute

**SAVE THE DATES**

**This is a 5 day Zoom training**

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| **Dates and Times** |  |  | |
| May 5, 2025 | 8:45 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  May 6, 2025 | 8:45 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  May 7, 2025 | 8:45 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  May 8, 2025 | 8:45 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  Practicum    May 9, 2025 | 8:45 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. | This forensic interviewing training has been approved by NCA and meets the national and state requirements for interviewers and is accredited by NCA.    This training is made possible through generous donations and training fees that help support training multi-disciplinary team members that investigate child sexual abuse.  If you or your local CAC are not able to fully financially support your attendance at this forensic interview training, please contact Chris Larkin to explore scholarships opportunities.  **Contact:** Chris Larkin  **Location Phone**: 315-552-4326  Email: [CAKL0809@gmail.com](mailto:CAKL0809@gmail.com) | | |
| **Course Descriptions** | | |  |

Multidisciplinary (MDT) members will receive training in evidence based, research supported forensic interviewing best practices. Participants will learn how a phased approach that is developmentally sound and culturally competent provides investigators with the necessary skills to effectively interview children who report physical and sexual abuse.

**Day 1 (May 5, 2025)** will focus on the different types of interviews and the phased approach in forensic interviewing. Trainers will prepare trainees to develop the skills needed to conduct forensic interviews of children of all ages.

**Day 2 (May 6, 2025)** will continue to prepare the trainees to develop the skills needed to conduct a forensic interview, including special topics related to interviewing pre-op and adolescent children where there may have been multiple perpetrators and how and under what circumstances to use interview aids and props. Child and sexual development will be presented to increase participants' knowledge and skills in the interview process.

**Day 3 (May 7, 2025)** covers understanding sex abuse dynamics and the accommodation syndrome and how best to incorporate these models in the forensic interview. In addition, participants will be taught skills necessary to interview children with disabilities, and children who may be exposed to substance abuse, domestic violence, and mental health issues. Understanding cultural issues and dealing with recantation will also be discussed. The day will include time to prepare for the practicum role play interviews that will take place on day four.

**Day 4 (May 8, 2025)** provides participants with hands on experience and enhanced skill building with an extensive **interviewing practicum.** Professional actors play the role of an abused child; each participant is provided the opportunity to conduct a full forensic interview using skills developed in days one, two and three of the training.

**Day 5 (May 9, 2025)** covers a variety of special topics to further enhance interviewer’s skills. Topics will include interviewing child victims who present with sexual behavior problems, preparing for court (Criminal and Family) and introducing evidence in a forensic interview.

# Additional Information

This Child Abuse Interviewing Training meets the national and state requirements for interviewers and is accredited by NCA.

NCA has reviewed and approved the plan for providing this training virtually. This training meets the

NCA’s National Standard’s for Accreditation requirements for forensic interview training.

**Target Population**

This course is designed for local district CPS caseworkers and supervisors, Multi-Disciplinary Team (MDT) members, Joint Response Team members and Child Advocacy Center Staff.

CPS: CPS must be presently conducting or planning to conduct forensic interviews of children in alleged abuse cases and be part of a CAC/MDT.

Law Enforcement/ADA: Law Enforcement (LE) and ADAs must be presently conducting or planning to conduct forensic interviews of children who report sexual abuse cases and are part of a CAC/MDT.

***If your agency/university conducts interviews with victims of sexual abuse,***

***this training will be beneficial to you.***

**Pre-Registration Requirement**

Yes

**Training Costs**

$ 250.00

**Trainer(s)**

Senior Investigator John DeAngelo (retired)

Beth Reiman, PH.D. LCSW

Michele Greenburg, LMSW

Detective Lieutenant Mary Murphy (retired)

Renee Roman, LMSW

Christine Larkin (CPS retired)

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