

## Extended Forensic Interview Training

Northern Michigan Mobile Child Advocacy Center is hosting the Extended Forensic Interview Training, held over the course of a 3-day training.

**Dates:** August 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016

**Location:** Community Mental Health for Central Michigan- The Training Room  
789 North Clare Avenue  
Harrison, MI 48625

**Training Fee:** \$200 per person

\*[Free for Clare and Gladwin County with Promo Code. Contact Andrea Mills for Promo Code]

**Check in and registration:** Starts Day One, August 16<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am

**Continuing Education Credits:** Please let us know upon registration if you are in need of CECs.

**Food/ Beverage:** Lunch and soda will be provided all three days of training, along with water and coffee throughout the day.

**Attire:** Building may be chilly, bring layers or whatever is comfortable to you.

**Any Questions, contact *Andrea Mills* (248) 494-1377 / [amills@nmmcac.org](mailto:amills@nmmcac.org)**

### **Description of Training: The NCAC Extended Forensic Interview Model**

In child abuse investigations, the single interview model is the approach currently recommended by Multidisciplinary Teams (MDTs), Child Advocacy Centers (CACs) and "best practice" resources throughout the US. This approach assumes a child is willing and able to discuss the allegation topic and can provide sufficient detail to inform the investigation and to support case decisions. While the single interview approach is sufficient for many children and cases, a subset of children are challenged to participate in such a focused conversation with a stranger and may benefit from more time and an expanded conversation over multiple sessions.

This training introduces a model for a multi-session forensic interview of a child who is potentially a victim or witness of child abuse or other violent behaviors. An Extended Forensic Interview (EFI) is appropriate for children where the results of a single interview are inconclusive or where there are serious concerns about the child's ability to participate in a single-session interview. Such children might be the very young child, a child with developmental delays or cognitive disabilities, or an extremely traumatized child. Cultural considerations may indicate a need for an EFI, rather than a single-session interview.

The EFI Model is based on empirically-based forensic principles. Topics addressed during the EFI training are empirical evidence for multi-session forensic interviewing, overview of the NCAC EFI model, forensic questioning of children, developmental and cultural considerations, memory and suggestibility, the use of media in forensic questioning, incremental and direct approaches to substantive issues, and consideration of alternative hypotheses in forensic questioning.

**Training Agenda:**

**Day One**

**9:00 am- 9:30 am**

**Introductions**

**9:30 am- 11:30 am**

**Empirical Basis**

**11:30 am- 12:00 pm**

**Case Scenarios**

**12:00 pm- 1:00 pm**

**Lunch (Provided)**

**1:00 pm- 2:30 pm**

**Forensic Questioning**

**2:30 pm- 4:15 pm**

**NCAC EFI**

**4:15 pm- 4:30 pm**

**Wrap- up**

**Day Two**

**9:00 am- 10:30 am**

**Media Forensic Conversations**

**10:30 am- 12:00 pm**

**Preparation and Planning**

**12:00 pm- 1:00 pm**

**Lunch (Provided)**

**1:00 pm- 3:00 pm**

**Foundational Sessions**

**3:00 pm- 4:30 pm**

**Allegation Focused Sessions**

**Day Three**

**9:00 am- 10:30 am**

**Episodic and Script Memory**

**10:30 am- 12:00 pm**

**Developmental Issues**

**12:00 pm- 1:00 pm**

**Lunch (Provided)**

**1:00 pm- 2:00 pm**

**Concluding the Process**

**2:00 pm- 3:00 pm**

**Supervision and Peer Review**