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ACT Against Violence Training Program

When parents know better they can do better. You can help parents know the best ways to guide their young children's growth and development in order to promote safety and reduce violence in our communities. Adults and Children Together Against Violence (ACT) is a program designed by the American Psychological Association (APA) to train **early childhood, mental health and service agency professionals** to deliver an enhanced parent education curriculum *Parents Raising Safe Kids*. The seminar format of the ACT Against Violence program is structured to be highly interactive and utilizes self-discovery learning. This APA program was evaluated by the Centers for Disease Control for training of facilitators. Participants who complete the program will receive a certificate from The Melissa Institute for Violence Prevention and Treatment, the APA's designated Southeastern ACT Regional Center, and 14 CEUs from Miami-Dade College.

The ACT Facilitator II training will emphasize ways to raise parent awareness and promote violence prevention by addressing four issues:

1. Child development – Define and discuss realistic expectations regarding the behavior and abilities of children ages 0 – 8 years.
2. Anger management – Train parents to recognize anger in self, considering alternative strategies to corporal punishment, coping with children's tantrums and practice role modeling behaviors.
3. Social problem solving – Demonstrate the ability to establish boundaries and appropriate consequences. Discuss and practice seeking alternatives to verbal and physical violence.
4. Media literacy – Raise parental awareness about the significance of reading aloud; reducing television viewing and actively monitoring computer usage, video games and action movies to protect children from media violence.

The course consists of two-days training. Attendees will receive 14 CEU's with completion of the second day. For additional registration information please contact The Melissa Institute for Violence Prevention and Treatment at: info@melissainstitute.org or 786-662-5210

Scheduled Trainings: See page 2 - Registration Fee (still at 2008 price): \$150 for two-day (consecutive days 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.) course includes breakfast and lunch both days, Facilitator Manual, Parent Handbook, brochures, CD to replicate materials, DVD of a PSA and poster.



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ACT Against Violence Facilitator II Training Schedule REGISTRATION FORM

Victor E. Clarke Education Center
South Miami Hospital
6200 SW 73 Street
Miami, FL 33143

____ Mon/Tue Jun. 29-30, 2009 – SMH Classroom C
____ Wed/Thu July 22-23, 2009 – SMH Auditorium 2
____ Tue/Wed Sep. 1-2, 2009 – SMH Classroom D
____ Tue/Wed Nov. 17 – SMH Aud. 3 /Nov. 18 – SMH Class C

Baptist Hospital
8900 N. Kendall Drive
Miami, FL 33176

____ Thu/Fri Oct. 29-30, 2009 – BH Classroom 4
____ Thu/Fri Nov. 5-6, 2009 – BH Classroom 4

*Each session is limited to the first 20 persons with paid registration of **\$150.** (Still 2008 Price)
Cancellations must be 7 days advance and fee will be applied to rescheduled training.
Registration deadline 7 days prior to each training session.*

Payment method:

- Check enclosed (*Make payable to The Melissa Institute.*)
- Purchase Order number _____
(*Please mail copy of registration to guarantee reservation.*)
- Credit Card: American Express__ MasterCard__ Visa__ Discover__

Card Holder Name _____

Account No. _____ Exp.Date _____

Signature _____

Specialty professional credits required: (Please check)

LICENSE # _____

____ FL Board of Psychological Examiners

____ FL. State Board of Nursing

____ Miami-Dade County Public Schools

____ FL Board of CSW, MFT and MHC

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