



THE MELISSA INSTITUTE
FOR VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT

2024-2025 Report to the Community
TOGETHER WE THRIVE:
A Snapshot of Prevention in Action



Dear Friends:

As we look back on the past 28 years, we are very proud of the work of The Melissa Institute. Over 100,000 agencies from more than 130 countries have benefited from our educational resources and trainings. Several million more have visited our websites to obtain research-based solutions for real-world problems.



This year, we launched several new initiatives aimed at fostering safer and healthier communities. The Institute recognized a vital need to combat the ill effects of social media on our children. It then launched the nation's first evidence-based program to teach adolescents how to detect misinformation on the internet. We partnered with the Carrie Meek Foundation to provide trauma-informed care training to community organizations working to prevent gun violence. The Institute also collaborated with Miami-Dade County to establish the Trauma-Informed Care Community-Based Coalition. This group instructs service providers in how to create safe, nurturing environments for those exposed to trauma.

Our acclaimed Innovations in Violence Prevention Series has provided virtual training on essential topics to hundreds of mental health professionals, school psychologists, and social service providers nationwide. Our 28th annual May conference, which focused on gun violence prevention, provided over 250 participants worldwide with valuable, evidence-based information.

This report highlights the depth and breadth of the Institute's local, national and global impact. It includes contributions of our Scientific Board, whose expert leadership has kept us a leading resource of violence prevention and treatment. Our Founding Scientific Director, Dr. Donald Meichenbaum, continues to lead the Institute's mission "to prevent violence and promote safer communities through education and the application of research-based knowledge."

Of course, none of these life-changing advances would be possible without your generous support. In these challenging times, we remain committed to creating a safer, healthier world. Your support ensures that the Institute will remain a vital resource for decades to come. Together we will continue to make a difference. Please donate today using the QR code below or by visiting melissainstitute.org.

Thank you for your generous support.

Be safe and well,

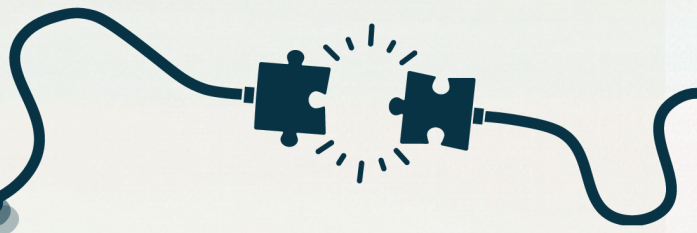
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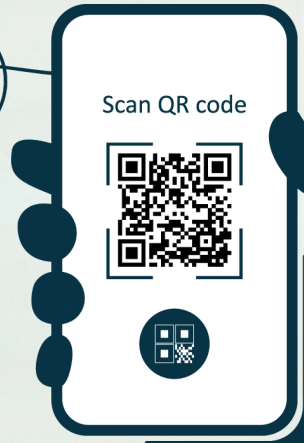
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The Melissa Institute for Violence Prevention & Treatment is a nonprofit 501(c) (3) organization committed to violence prevention through research, education, consultation, and community support.

#Research

TMI Scientific Board members are dedicated to sharing their state-of-the-art knowledge through training sessions and conferences that address the evolving needs of the community. They contribute evidence-based interventions to ensure that our participants are equipped with the latest strategies in violence prevention. Additionally, the Institute is committed to nurturing the next generation of scholars by awarding annual scholarships that support doctoral students' dissertation research in the field of violence prevention.

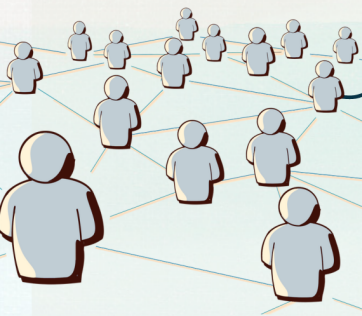


#Education

The Institute is a leading provider of research-based safety measures and mental health treatment strategies, offering a diverse range of training programs designed to bolster resilience, support parents and caregivers, equip individuals with tools to diffuse anger and conflict, and promote mental health.

#Consultation

The Institute offers expert consultation and training services locally, nationally and internationally. We have been instrumental in creating and participating in several coalitions and collaborations, working alongside other organizations to advance our mission of violence prevention and community safety.



#CommunitySupport

Each year, the Suzanne L. Keeley Award is presented to an individual and/or organization whose contributions align with the Institute's mission to reduce violence and support victims and their families. Furthermore, the Institute develops and offers impactful programs like Project REAL USA and the TMI Read Aloud Project that are provided at no cost to the community.

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Innovations in Violence Prevention & Treatment

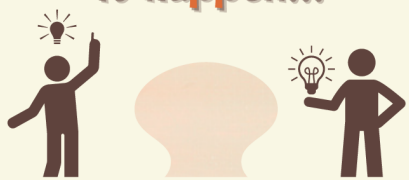
The Melissa Institute fosters safer communities by providing comprehensive education and professional development opportunities. By listening to and understanding the unique challenges faced by educators, mental health professionals, law enforcement and social service providers, the Institute delivers impactful training on a range of critical topics such as the ones listed below, ensuring that those on the front lines are equipped with the knowledge and tools necessary to create lasting change.



- Trauma-Informed Care
- Resilience
- Building Empathy
- School Safety
- Bullying Prevention
- Active Bystandership
- Cyberbullying
- Internet/Social Media Safety
- Positive Parenting
- Positive Youth Development & MUCH MORE!

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 FLA Mediators

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Review scientific articles on a variety of topics, as well as view past community reports.

<https://www.teachsafeschools.org>

A website to help school personnel develop a supportive, safe and inviting learning environment in which students can thrive and be successful.

<https://www.litdiet.org>

A go-to resource for educators and online hub for insights on presenting crucial literacy concepts through brief videos organized into 15 key "food" groups.



The Melissa Institute Annual Conference



Each year The Melissa Institute hosts a conference focused on a topic that resonates deeply with the diverse communities we serve. This event provides an open space for professionals across various fields to come together, learn about evidence-based interventions and engage in meaningful dialogue. It also offers a unique opportunity for individuals and organizations to connect, collaborate and strengthen their collective efforts in addressing the critical issues at hand.

- 2021** Advances and Innovations in Violence Prevention & Treatment: The First 25 Years of The Melissa Institute
- 2022** The Melissa Institute 26th Annual Conference: Safety, Mental Health, and Healing During Uncertain Times
- 2023** The Melissa Institute 27th Annual Conference: How to Make Schools Safer, More Inviting and Academically More Effective
- 2024** The Melissa Institute 28th Annual Conference Gun Violence Prevention: What We Know and What We Need to Know

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The Melissa Institute 29th Annual Conference

“Misinformation, Disinformation, Social Media Safety, and Mental Health: Data-Driven Strategies for Educators, Mental Health Professionals, Parents & Policy Makers”

TMI’s 29th Online Conference brings together leading experts to tackle the urgent challenges of misinformation and its impact on mental health and violent behavior. The U.S. Surgeon General has emphasized that social media “poses a profound risk of harm to the mental health and well-being of children and adolescents.” Meanwhile, the World Economic Forum has highlighted that “misinformation has become one of the greatest threats to democracy and public trust.” The rapid spread of such content on social platforms creates echo chambers of fear, anger and hate, fueling violent behavior. This conference is designed to equip participants with critical tools and knowledge to combat these challenges, offering practical, data-driven strategies to promote mental health and safety in the digital age.



Belfer-Aptman Scholarship Award 2024 Winners



Eunkyung Chung

Advisor: Paul Sterzing, Ph.D.
University of California, Berkeley
“Bullying Involvement Among Disabled Students in Childhood and Adolescence: Analysis of Measurement Issues, School Context and Intersectional Identities”



Spenser R. Radtke

Advisor: Cynthia Fraga Rizo, Ph.D.
The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
“Taking a Multifaceted Approach to Understanding Youth Victimization, Protective Factors, and Resilience-Related Outcomes”



Emily Zhang

Advisor: Lisa Goodman, Ph.D.
Boston College Lynch School of Education and Human Development
“Asian-American Women’s Experiences of Disclosing Intimate Partner Violence: A Qualitative Descriptive Study”



Youth in Action: Collaborations with Emerging Leaders

THANK YOU!



Students Offering Support

A heartfelt thank-you to S.O.S. (Students Offering Support) for their continued dedication since 2013! Through impactful initiatives like Bowling Over Bullying, they've generously donated over \$30,000 to The Melissa Institute. These remarkable young leaders are making a significant difference in creating safer, happier and healthier schools and communities. We are truly honored to have their support!



In our ongoing mission to prevent violence and promote mental health, The Melissa Institute recognizes the importance of collaboration within our community. This year, we were honored to partner with the University of Miami chapter of It's On Us, a student-led national organization focused on sexual assault awareness. Together, we conducted educational sessions on consent, mental health and gym safety, aiming to empower students with essential knowledge and tools for maintaining safety in various environments. By sharing critical statistics and tips on situational awareness, we are committed to enhancing student well-being and safety. We extend our heartfelt thanks to It's On Us at UM for their dedicated efforts and invaluable contributions to this cause.



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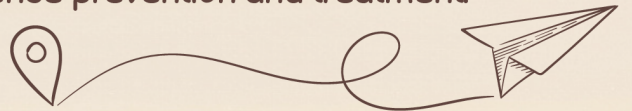


Suzanne L. Keeley, Ph.D. Community Service Award

This award recognizes individuals or organizations that have made significant contributions to their communities by addressing and preventing violence. It celebrates efforts in promoting safety, resilience, and well-being through community service, advocacy, education, research, or direct service in violence prevention and treatment.

Our 2024 Winner is

Sandy Hook PROMISE



The mission of Sandy Hook Promise is to educate and empower youth and adults to prevent violence in schools, homes, and communities.





Boards in Action



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Highlighting the local, national and international reach of The Melissa Institute and its partners.



Dr. Leena Augimeri, a member of our Scientific Board, has been making significant strides in the field of youth justice and crime prevention. Recently appointed Chair of the Youth Justice Task Force by Ontario's Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services, Dr. Augimeri is leading efforts to reform Ontario's youth justice system through evidence-based recommendations and consultations with key stakeholders. Her influence extends to legislative advocacy, having served as a witness for Bill 188, "Safeguarding Our Children: Strengthening the Child Welfare System." Her testimony emphasized the moral imperative of protecting vulnerable children, contributing to the bill's passage into law on June 6, 2024.

Additionally, Dr. Augimeri's expertise in early intervention and risk management was highlighted during her witness testimony for Canada's Standing Committee on Justice Policy's Study on Intimate Partner and Gender-Based Violence, which led to a significant \$100 million investment by the Ontario Government to combat gender-based violence. Dr. Augimeri also presented at a Senate of Canada forum, advocating for evidence-based crime prevention strategies, including the SNAP (Stop Now And Plan) program she co-founded over 39 years ago. Her commitment to preventing youth crime and promoting mental health continues beyond her tenure at the Child Development Institute, which concluded on July 10, 2024. As she embarks on new initiatives, we celebrate Dr. Augimeri's enduring legacy and her continued contributions to the field.



Dr. Victoria Banyard, a member of our Scientific Board, is deeply involved in addressing the critical public health issue of self-directed violence (SDV). She is co-leading Project Lift Up, a national longitudinal survey funded by the National Institute of Mental Health, along with Kimberly Mitchell at the University of New Hampshire. This study focuses on understanding SDV exposure among youth and young adults ages 13-22, and explores pathways for engaging in bystander behaviors to support those at risk. With nearly 5,000 participants, the research includes diverse gender and sexual identifications, ensuring broad applicability of the findings. Through interviews with practitioners, Dr. Banyard aims to create strong links between research outcomes and practical applications to enhance the well-being of young people and their communities.

Collaboration Alert!



Dr. Banyard is also collaborating with Scientific Board member **Dr. Sherry Hamby** on several projects centered around the Resilience Portfolio Model. This model identifies four key domains—regulatory, interpersonal, meaning making, and natural/built environment—that contribute to well-being outcomes beyond merely the absence of risk. Together, they have organized the Resilience Portfolio Consortium, a global group of scholars dedicated to exploring the strengths that foster resilience after trauma. Their collaborative efforts will be highlighted in an upcoming special issue of the journal *Trauma, Violence, and Abuse*, featuring a range of scoping reviews on the topic.



Dr. Lisa A. Goodman, a member of our Scientific Board and a faculty member at Boston College in the Counseling Psychology Program, is dedicated to improving the lives of intimate partner violence survivors. Her community-based participatory research focuses on how survivors leverage their social networks for healing and safety, with studies exploring the critical roles of community support during dangerous moments, the involvement of survivors' mothers in their ongoing safety and healing, and the influence of informal supporters in disrupting gaslighting dynamics. Additionally, Dr. Goodman serves as an expert witness in legal cases where intimate partner violence and its effects are central to the defendant's actions. Her work continues to shape more effective and empathetic systemic responses to intimate partner violence.



Our esteemed Scientific Director and Institute co-founder, **Dr. Donald Meichenbaum**, continues to make significant contributions to the field of mental health by sharing his extensive knowledge and expertise with the global community. His dedication to providing valuable resources to professionals and the public is evident in his book "Roadmap to Resilience," which is available for free online and has been accessed by over 51,000 visitors across 138 countries. Additionally, he recently co-authored with Dr. David Wexler "Abuse-Proofing Your Relationship: How Women Can Make Smart and Safe Decisions When Choosing a Partner."

To learn more, scan the QR code.



Dr. Meichenbaum has graciously arranged for all proceeds from his Legacy course to be donated to the Melissa Institute in memory of his wife, Marianne Meichenbaum.

Dr. Meichenbaum's influence also extends through his training sessions, including recent Zoom workshops with psychotherapists in China. These efforts not only enhance the skills of mental health professionals worldwide, but also highlight the Institute's pioneering work in violence prevention. His Legacy course, reflecting 50 years of experience in clinical psychology, psychotherapy and cognitive behavior therapy, is designed to help participants join the top 25% of psychotherapists who achieve the best patient outcomes. The program promotes a deeper understanding of trans-theoretical behavior change principles and the core tasks of psychotherapy while fostering critical thinking in the field.



Judge Orlando A. Prescott, a valued member of our Scientific Board and the Circuit 11 Advisory Board, has been honored with the prestigious William E. Gladstone Award for Judicial Leadership at the 2024 Florida Children and Families Summit in Orlando. This prestigious award recognizes judges and magistrates whose dedication and work significantly advance the protection of children who have suffered abuse, neglect or abandonment. His commitment and impactful leadership continue to make a profound difference in the lives of children and families across our community and state.



Dr. Alex Piquero, a member of our Scientific Board, has been appointed as a distinguished member of the National Academies of Sciences Committee on Law and Justice. As a professor and Arts & Sciences Distinguished Scholar at the University of Miami, Dr. Piquero is a nationally and internationally recognized criminologist with over 26 years of experience. His recent role as Director of the Bureau of Justice Statistics, to which he was appointed by President Biden in June 2022, further highlights his expertise. We are proud of Dr. Piquero's continued contributions to advancing knowledge in crime prevention, public policy and justice system reform at the highest levels.



Congratulations to Board Director, **Thomas Scolaro** on the launch of Scolaro Law, P.A. As the founder and senior managing partner of this new Miami-based personal injury law firm, Mr. Scolaro has over 25 years of outstanding experience. Renowned for his success in securing multimillion-dollar verdicts and settlements, he specializes in personal injury, traumatic brain injury, defective products, medical malpractice and wrongful death cases. Beyond his legal achievements, Mr. Scolaro is deeply passionate about the work of The Melissa Institute and its mission. We look forward to seeing the continued impact of his work both through his new firm and his support for our shared goals.



Dr. Ron Slaby, a member of our Scientific Board, recently delivered a guest lecture on "The Worldwide Impact of Educational Television for Children" in Rick Siggelkow's Writing for Children's Television course at New York University. He also co-presented with Dr. Etiony Aldarondo on "Violence Prevention: Creating a New Scientific Discipline" in the Violence as a Public Health Issue course at the University of Miami, taught by fellow Scientific Board member Dr. Judith Schaechter. Dr. Slaby's dedication to effective interventions is further demonstrated by his ongoing support of the Boston vs. Bullies program, which he co-developed and has provided free of charge to over 235,000 children and their teachers.

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We are delighted to welcome **Nicholas Suarez**, Vice President at J.P. Morgan Private Bank, as a Board Director and the new Treasurer of The Melissa Institute. With his extensive experience in financial management and strategic planning, Mr. Suarez brings a wealth of expertise that will greatly benefit our mission. His dedication to fostering safer communities aligns perfectly with our goals, and we look forward to his valuable contributions as we continue our work in violence prevention and community support.



Frank Zenere, a member of our Scientific Board, recently retired from Miami-Dade County Public Schools after a remarkable 38-year career. Since then, he has continued to influence the field of education by delivering training on school behavioral threat assessment across the nation. Mr. Zenere is a key trainer with the School Threat Assessment Consultants company, collaborating with Dr. Dewey Cornell, a renowned forensic psychologist and professor at the University of Virginia. He will also be sharing his expertise as the keynote speaker at the Rocky Mountain Youth Suicide Prevention Conference. His ongoing contributions reflect a deep commitment to advancing school safety and mental health.

A Sampling of Publications by Scientific Board Members:

- De Vries Robbé, M., Smaragdi, A., Hilterman, E., Walsh, M., & Augimeri, L. (2023). SAPROF Child Version (SAPROF-CV): Guidelines for the assessment of protective factors for serious problem behavior in children. Utrecht, The Netherlands: SAPROF International.
- Smaragdi, A., Schwarz, L. J., Austevik, T. J., Walsh, M., Webster, C., & Augimeri, L. (2024). Inter-rater reliability of the Early Assessment Risk List Version 3 (EARL-V3) for children displaying antisocial behavior. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 164, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.chilgyouth.2024.107824>
- Pepler, D., Bondi, B., & Augimeri, L. (in press). Developmental-relational perspective for assessments and interventions with children experiencing behavior problems. In J. Andrews & D. Saklofske (Eds.), *Clinical reasoning and decision-making process: Child and adolescent assessment and intervention*. Elsevier.
- Piquero, A. R., & Roman, J. K. (2024). Firearm homicide demographics before and after the COVID-19 pandemic. *JAMA Network Open*, 7(5), e2412946. doi:10.1001/jamanetworkopen.2024.12946
- Meichenbaum, D., & Wexler, D. (2024). Abuse-proofing your relationship: how women can make smart and safe decisions when choosing a partner.
- Kruglanski, A., Prilleltensky, I., & Raviv, A. (Eds.). (in press). *The Routledge international handbook of significance and mattering*. Routledge.
- Prilleltensky, I., Scarpa, M., Di Martino, S., & Ness, O. (Eds.). (in press). *How people thrive: Promoting the synergy of wellness, fairness and worthiness*. Cambridge University Press.

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PROJECT REAL USA

Social Media Safety & Mental Health Initiative



The Melissa Institute is partnering with Dr. Yvonne Skipper, Senior Lecturer in Psychology at the University of Glasgow, to launch Project Real USA, an essential part of our Social Media Safety and Mental Health Initiative. Project Real USA, adapted from Dr. Skipper's original UK-based program, equips youth with the skills to identify fake news and understand the impact of social media on mental health. Our first round of training took place over the summer at enFamilia's "Art in Action" summer camp, working with with young people in South Miami-Dade County.

Cristina Fonseca, TMI's Office Manager and Communications Coordinator, led sessions on how to spot fake news, photos, videos and audio. A separate session for parents encouraged them to test their own ability to recognize misinformation alongside their children. By fostering an open forum for discussion, we aim to stimulate communication at home and help families create safer digital environments together.

Thank you to Dr. Skipper and enFamilia for partnering with us to empower the next generation. We look forward to continuing this important work together

**Interested in bringing Project Real USA to a school, afterschool program or youth camp near you?
Contact us at programs@melissainstitute.org**

TMI
Read Aloud
Project

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH:
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA
College of Behavioral & Community Sciences
Child & Family Studies

enFAMILIA, Inc.

We are excited to introduce the TMI Read Aloud Project, a groundbreaking initiative in partnership with Dr. Maria S. Carlo, a renowned language acquisition scholar and Associate Professor in the Department of Child & Family Studies at the University of South Florida. This project aims to promote the development of inferential language skills in young children by fostering parent-child interactions through reading developmentally appropriate books focused on safety and violence prevention.



1

Curating Educational Content:

- Identify a selection of books that not only increase knowledge about safety and violence prevention, but also foster meaningful conversations between parents and children.
- These books will be carefully chosen to reflect diverse characters and inclusive portrayal of gender, socioeconomic status and people of all abilities.

2

Creating Supportive Materials:

- Develop accompanying materials for selected books including vocabulary lists, extension activities and discussion questions.
- These resources will guide parents in using inferential language techniques, helping to deepen their children's comprehension and critical thinking skills during reading sessions.

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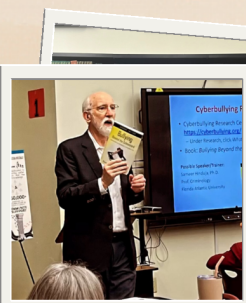
Visual Aids and Pilot Testing:

- Pilot the program with a small group of families to test its effectiveness and refine the materials. These families will also help with producing instructional videos that will serve as how-to guides for other parents.
- The guides will be accessible online, ensuring that other parents can easily adopt these interactive reading strategies.

By supporting early language development through this project, The Melissa Institute aims to lay the groundwork for long-term academic success and empower families to contribute to their children's cognitive and emotional growth. We are thrilled to bring together experts in violence prevention and child development to make this vision a reality.



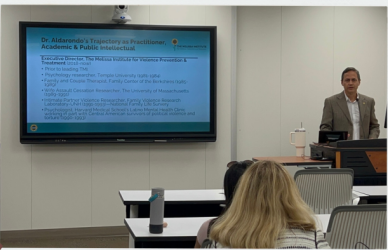
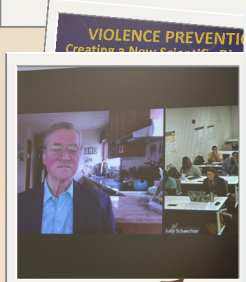
TMI Training & Partnerships in Action:



Bullying Prevention with Dr. Jim Larson for Student Support Services at Miami-Dade County Public Schools

Bullying Prevention with Dr. Yamila Lezcano for students at Riviera Schools

TMI presentation at the Miami-Dade County Public Schools Student Support Services Conference



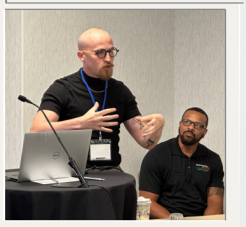
Violence as a Public Health Issue with Dr. Ron Slaby & Dr. Judy Schaechter at the University of Miami

Participated in screening of "Columbine 2024: 25 years if Trauma" at the Center for American Progress in DC

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We ARE making a difference!

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
Office of Neighborhood Safety (ONS)

The Carrie Meek Foundation



Screening of "All Four Won," a short film by Nick Galarza, and panel discussion with Dominique Waltower & Dr. Oliver Williams

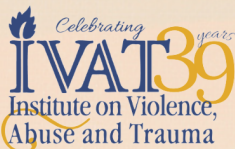
Mental Health & Wellness Fair at Somerset Academy South

Trauma-Informed Care

Over the past several months, The Melissa Institute has trained dozens of agencies working to prevent gun violence in Miami-Dade County, as well as numerous organizations working with human trafficking, domestic violence and sexual assault victims.



In collaboration with the county's Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, we launched the **Trauma-Informed Care Community-Based Coalition**. This initiative is designed to equip social service providers working with children and adults who have experienced trauma with evidence-based tools to create safe, stable and nurturing environments. By fostering resilience and coping skills, the coalition aims to enhance the well-being of individuals affected by trauma across the county. Access free resources by scanning the QR code.



TMI Executive Director, **Dr. Etiony Aldarondo** Receives Lifetime Achievement in Family Violence and Abuse Advocacy Award

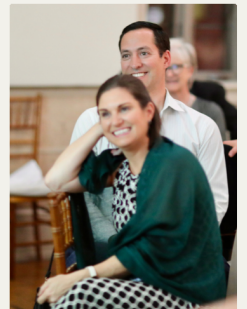


We are thrilled to share that our Executive Director, Dr. Etiony Aldarondo, has been honored with the Lifetime Achievement in Family Violence and Abuse Advocacy Award by the Institute on Violence, Abuse and Trauma (IVAT). For 39 years, IVAT has worked to improve the lives of victims of violence and abuse worldwide, and this prestigious award recognizes "an individual who best exemplifies compassion, wisdom, and tireless pursuit for the betterment of those who need an ally during the most painful times."

Thank you, Dr. Aldarondo, for over 30 years of leadership in using science to prevent violence, support survivors, help offenders change, and create safer homes, schools, and communities for everyone.

PEACE & HARMONY

In March 2024, The Melissa Institute had the privilege of hosting its annual Peace & Harmony gala at the Coral Gables Museum. The evening featured exquisite cuisine crafted by Celebrity Chef Chris Valdez and jaw-dropping moments during a special performance from Magic by Mio.





Thank you to all our volunteers, donors and supporters for making this year's event special. Make sure to mark your calendars for the 2025 Peace & Harmony gala on Saturday, March 15!

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On May 5, 1995, Melissa Aptman was murdered in St. Louis. A Miami native, she was just two weeks away from graduating with her bachelor's degree from Washington University.

One year after her death, Melissa's family, friends and violence prevention experts established The Melissa Institute for Violence Prevention and Treatment to honor her memory and make a difference by working to prevent violence and assist victims.

Without the participation, expertise, leadership, and support of our Board of Directors, Scientific Board, Honorary Board, and our amazing donors, the Institute could not accomplish its goals.



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