

Guiding Families Toward Healing & Justice in CACs:

The Central Role of Victim Advocates

With Janet Fine, M.S.



The array of victim advocacy services and the roles of Advocates have evolved and expanded since the early days of the Victims Movement and the CAC Movement. The role of Advocates in general and on multidisciplinary teams has continued to grow in scope and complexity, requiring increased understanding of victim advocacy as a unique discipline unto itself. The newly revised National Children's Alliance Accreditation Standards underscore the critical role advocates play in helping families pursue and achieve safety, healing and justice. Participants will examine the strengths and challenges of delivering victim services within the context of multidisciplinary teams and in coordination with their victim advocacy colleagues. They will also explore strategies for enhancing their professional practice and addressing the impact of vicarious trauma.

This workshop is open to all disciplines. Advocates who work in any setting are welcome to attend.

May 9, 2017

8:30 am – 4:30 pm



Hyatt Regency Hotel

Wichita KS

Registration cost of \$35

Register by May 1: <http://www.grants.ks.gov/cvrc>

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General Agenda

7:45-8:30 Check-In (breakfast not provided)

8:30-12:30 History & Fundamentals of Victim Advocacy & CACs

Putting the *Victim Support & Advocacy Standard* into Practice

12:00-1:00 Lunch Provided

1:00-4:30 MDT Dynamics and Implications for Victim Advocates

The Impact of Victim Advocacy Work: Individual & Organizational Responses

About The Trainer

Janet E. Fine, M.S., is the Project Director for Northeastern University's National Vicarious Trauma Toolkit Project funded by the federal Office for Victims of Crime. In addition, as a Senior Consultant for ORI Consulting, she provides training and technical assistance nationally for the State Victim Assistance Academy (SVAA) Resource Center at the National Center for Victims of Crime (NCVC). She has held various direct service and leadership positions in victim services and children's advocacy centers (CAC) at the state and national level for nearly 35 years, including as Executive Director of the MA Office for Victim Assistance, in 2 district attorneys' offices, as a founding director of 2 CACs, and as a former Executive Committee member of the Board of Directors of the National Children's Alliance (NCA). She also served as a member of the National Crisis Response Team at Ground Zero in NY in the aftermath of 9/11. Ms. Fine provides training and consultation nationally and internationally on victim rights and services, development and operations of multidisciplinary teams and CACs, and vicarious trauma. She is Part-time Faculty at Northeastern University and serves on the World Society of Victimology's UN Liaison Committee.