



# HSCB Focus

HSCB is the state-designated community collaborative for Macomb County.

## Look, Uncover, Nurture, Act (LUNA)

### UPDATES

- The new website address for The Right Connection Resource Directory is: [connection.misd.net](http://connection.misd.net)
- Downriver Community Services has a new name: Community First Health Center and now offers behavioral health services.
- Disability Network Oakland Macomb has moved to: 1709 John R Troy, MI 48083
- CARE of Southeast Michigan now offers outpatient services. For appointments call, (586) 541-2273.
- The Macomb Homeless Coalition's new telephone number is (586) 213-5757.
- Turning Point has opened a second community outreach center located at 27113 Harper Avenue, Suite A, St. Clair Shores, MI 48081.

The Macomb HSCB is partnering with Easter Seals of Michigan to increase awareness of the impact of childhood trauma in Macomb. Easter Seals of Michigan is promoting LUNA, a free online screening that determines if a child has had a traumatic event and would benefit from services.



To increase the awareness in Macomb County, the LUNA model will be introduced through training sessions for HSCB Executive Directors and Agency Administrators (supervisory and professional staff).

As the number of childhood trauma and chronic stress experiences increase, the risk for health problems in adulthood increases. Children who have experienced trauma and chronic stress without treatment are:

- 3 times more likely to have serious employment problems.
- 3 times more likely to experience depression.
- 4 times more likely to become an alcoholic.
- 15 times more likely to commit suicide

### Effects of trauma can impact

- Physical health
- Attachment and relationships
- Behavior
- Emotional responses

### HOW THE LUNA MODEL WORKS

#### 1. ONLINE SCREENING TOOL

A free online screening - a four question tool - will determine the impact trauma exposure has had on the child and determine if more targeted examination is warranted.

#### 2. COMPREHENSIVE TRAUMA ASSESSMENT

After completing the *free* online screening, an in-depth examination may be required which includes 3 - 4 clinical batteries to explore the impact and identify the best treatment.

#### 3. MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM ASSESSMENT

After completing the comprehensive trauma assessment, a multi-disciplinary team assessment may be needed, including psychological, speech and language, occupational therapy and neurological metrics to identify the impact the trauma has had on the child.

For more information about LUNA, contact Helena Kelly, Easter Seals of Michigan, (586) 501-3070 or [hkelly@essmichigan.org](mailto:hkelly@essmichigan.org)

# DV Prevention Committee updates

One goal of the Macomb HSCB in 2017 is to establish Macomb County as the first *Safe and Together* county in the state of Michigan. This goal is the result of the work of the HSCB Domestic Violence Prevention Committee which developed a series of recommendations after an intensive needs assessment conducted in 2016.

*Safe and Together* is a perpetrator pattern-based, child-centered, survivor-strengths approach to working with domestic violence. *Safe and Together* is the model created by David Mandel & Associates for perpetrator pattern-based approach to child safety and well-being in domestic violence cases. This model has been adopted by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.

Originally designed for child welfare systems, it has policy and practice implications for a variety of professionals and systems including domestic violence advocates, family service providers, courts, evaluators, domestic violence community collaboratives and others.

The Domestic Violence Prevention Committee’s final report and recommendations will be presented to the HSCB Executive Council at its May 2017 meeting. If approved, an implementation group will be convened to bring the process of addressing the recommendations.

Carmen Wargel (Macomb Community Domestic Violence Council) and Dawn Walker (Department of Health and Human Services) who co-chaired the planning group, have agreed to

continue as Co-Chairs of the implementation group.

For more information about the HSCB Domestic Violence Prevention Committee, contact:

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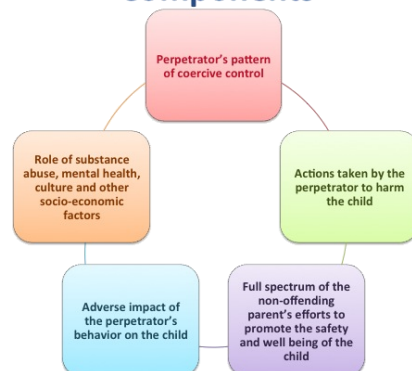
## The Safe and Together Model Principles and Critical Components

To improve practice and create better outcomes for children and families exposed to domestic violence perpetrator’s behavior, the following Practice Principles can help guide assessment, and case decisions:

### Safe and Together™ Principles



### Safe and Together™ Critical Components



## From the Lead Agency Chair

**John Kinch**  
HSCB Lead Agency Chair



Two HSCB Affiliated Collaboratives - *Early On*® and Great Start Macomb (GSM) - have combined their meetings after an analysis of the

membership of both groups revealed that the majority of members from each group attend both meetings. Also, the target audience for both groups overlaps so there is an advantage for both groups to share their goals in working with their respective

populations of infants and young children.

Meeting together has the potential to increase efficiency and effectiveness - as well as other benefits: the sharing of expertise, different perspectives, cost-savings, increased momentum for change, and everyone learns more.

Great Start Macomb will continue to issue the meeting agendas and will include an agenda item for *Early On*. The meetings will

continue to be held six times a year with *Early On* being a regular GSM agenda item.

Communication is the lifeblood of any organization. When groups share the same key information and know what to do with it, that alignment can bring tremendous results. And as a result of sharing expertise and perspectives in these combined meetings, complex issues can be addressed and resolved and collaborations nurtured.

## Macomb County Suicide Prevention Coalition

The Macomb County Suicide Prevention Coalition, an HSCB affiliated collaborative, is a group of



individuals invested in helping to reduce the incidence of suicide in Macomb County.

Membership on the Coalition is open to *anyone* interested in suicide prevention.

The work of the Coalition includes:

- Heightens public awareness with a more informed understanding of mental health and suicide
- Increases the capacity of the community to recognize and respond to individuals at risk for suicide.

- Advocates for suicide prevention policies and procedures
- Utilizes data to drive suicide efforts of the Coalition

The Coalition is sponsoring a *free* event on Wednesday, April 19, 2017 from 6:30 - 8:30 P.M.: "*Balancing Life's Challenges Building Resilience*" focusing on physical, emotional, mental and spiritual health for all members of the community. Learn about simple and effective methods for reducing stress and managing emotions.

The event will be held at the Macomb Intermediate School District, 44001 Garfield Road, Clinton Twp, MI 48038.

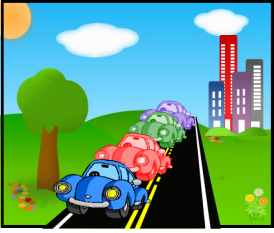
Registration is online only through the MISD website.

To register:

- Go to [www.misd.net](http://www.misd.net)
- Click on "Course Offerings"
- Under "Online Registration" click on "Complete List of Courses/Events"
- In the drop down box, scroll down to "Student Assistance" then Click "Go"
- Scroll down to the date: April 19, 2017 and the name of the event: Balancing Life's Challenges
- Then click on "Click Here to Register"
- Click on the start date to complete your registration

For more information about the Coalition or the free event, contact Nancy Buyle, MISD, (586) 228-3439 or [nbuyle@misd.net](mailto:nbuyle@misd.net).

## 2017 Traveling Tours



The 2017 HSCB Traveling Tours are scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday, May 17 & 18, 2017 with the theme “Services Motorcade.” Traveling Tours is a free training event that provides an opportunity to learn about services for individuals and families through onsite visits to Macomb County non-profit human service or human-service related sites. Participants use their personal cars to visit up to three tour sites over the two days. Of the event. Tours include:

- Bio-Med Behavioral Healthcare/Methadone Clinic
- CARE of Southeastern Michigan
- Community First Health Centers (*formerly Downriver Community Services*)
- COMTEC (Macomb Communications and Technology Center )
- Congressman Levin’s office
- Creative Empowerment Opportunities, Inc.
- Disability Network Oakland Macomb (new site)
- DHHS Pathways to Potential
- Family Youth Interventions, helping youth in runaway, homeless and crisis situations
- Gianna House, pregnancy and parenting residence
- Juvenile Justice Center
- LUNA, trauma in children
- Macomb County Family Resource Center
- Macomb County Jail
- Macomb Veteran Action Collaborative/Vick Funeral Home “Before and After a Veteran Dies”
- Play-Place for Autistic Children
- Sheriff’s Department - Marine Division
- Macomb County Medical Examiner’s Office
- Sacred Heart Rehabilitation Center, treatment for drug and alcohol addiction
- Safe Haus, short-term intensive residential center for boys and girls aged 8 - 17 with severe mental health issues
- Traffic Safety Association
- Turning Point, services to end domestic and sexual violence
- Urgent Behavioral Health Center (UBHC), 24/7 walk-in emergency mental health services for youth and adults
- Young Professionals, career development for eligible young adults 16 - 24 years

### REGISTRATION IS ONLINE ONLY

1. Go to: [www.misd.net](http://www.misd.net)
2. Click on the “Course Offerings” tab on the top menu.
3. Click on “Complete list of Courses/Events.”
4. Scroll down to the date: May 17 (even if you want May 18), 2017 and the name of the event: Traveling Tours
5. Then click on “Click Here to Register”
6. Click on the “Start date” to complete your registration
7. Select one session in one or more of the six tracks (A, B, C, D, E, F).
8. For the “District” field, enter your Agency Name (e.g., “Department of Health and Human Services”).
9. For the “School” field, enter your Agency Division (e.g., “Protective Services”).
10. In the “Position” field, enter your job title (e.g., “PS Worker”).

**For problems with online registration, contact Carmen Julia Garcia, MISD, (586) 228-3526 or [cjulia@misd.net](mailto:cjulia@misd.net)**

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND SAVE THE DATE!**

**The 2017 Information Exchange will be Thursday, October 26, 2017.**

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