



CHILDREN AND FIRE: COMMUNITY APPROACHES TO PREVENTION & INTERVENTION

Paducah Fire Department along with the KY Chapter of IAAI and BIC are presenting a **one day seminar** featuring Robert Cole, Ph.D. President of Community Health Strategies & Molly Clifford, Executive Director of Community Health Strategies for fire personnel, police, law enforcement, healthcare providers, school teachers and counselors.

This seminar will discuss comprehensive strategies for working with children who set fires. Points of discussion will include understanding the scope of the problem, children's involvement in fire, steps from curiosity to fire play, family factors associated and not associated with fire play, fire safety education of preschool & elementary school age children, the context of intentional fire starting: child psychopathology, common intervention strategies, effective community intervention and many others.

Lead Presenter: Robert Cole, Ph.D. is President of Community Health Strategies. He is a research psychologist, Clinical Associate Professor at the University of Rochester Medical Center School of Nursing, and one of the nation's leading experts in fire safety education. His extensive research experience includes serving as the Principal Investigator on the CDC-funded studies "Socialization Strategies, Temperament and Childhood Injury" and "A Dynamic Model of Supervision and Injury Among Children," and as co-investigator on the long-term evaluation of two community based nurse home visitation programs to support poor, first time mothers, the Prenatal Early Infancy Program and the Memphis New Mothers Study (now known as the Nurse Family Partnership).

Dr. Cole participated in the development of the *play safe! be safe!*® preschool fire safety training program. In 1997, *play safe! be safe!* received the *Best Curriculum Award* from Early Childhood News, a publication of the National Association for the Education of Young Children. In that same year, Fireproof Children (now known as Community Health Strategies) received the Rolf H. Jensen *Partners in Public Education Award* from the National Fire Protection Association.

Dr. Cole and Fireproof Children were awarded a grant from the National Association of State Fire Marshals and the U.S. Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention to study the home factors associated with children's fireplay and firesetting and to present community training programs to 36 communities across the United States. Much of this work appears in *Juvenile Firesetting: A Community Guide to Prevention and Intervention*.

Associate Presenter: Molly Clifford is Executive Director of Community Health Strategies. Previously Molly served as Director of Fire Administration for the Rochester, NY, Fire Department, supporting fire prevention programs, code enforcement and community outreach, and as the Director of Public Affairs for Rural/Metro Medical Services, coordinating community education programs and partnerships. Molly has presented at several national conferences and workshops on effective fire safety education with a focus on vulnerable populations. A graduate of Cornell University, she is active in the Rochester community and volunteers for several agencies that work with underserved residents, including refugees, people with disabilities and the homeless.

The seminar will be held on **Thursday, June 23, 2016**, from 8:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. with lunch provided, at the Julian Carroll Convention Center. Each attendee will receive a BIC *play safe! be safe!*® kit and will have the opportunity to earn training hours (if applicable) for attendance. Please detach & mail the form below by **June 13, 2016**, along with a \$25.00 registration fee.

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Do you need CEU sheet? Yes/No If yes, License/FF# _____

Mail to: Paducah Fire Department, Fire Prevention Division

Attn: April Tinsman, P.O. Box 2267, Paducah, KY 42002

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For more information or if you have questions please contact

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