

18th Annual Midwest Child Life Conference

# Turning Road Blocks into **BUILDING BLOCKS**

Saturday, November 9, 2013



Sponsored by the Child Life Department at Children's Hospital of Illinois.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Purpose

This conference, planned and facilitated by the Child Life Staff at Children's Hospital of Illinois, will provide registrants with opportunities to network with other professionals while gaining continued education in Child Life.

### Intended Audience

- Child Life Specialists
- Child Life Assistants
- Child Life Students

### Professional Developmental Hours

6 Professional Developmental Hours (PDH) are available for full attendance.

*Any PDH must be approved and accepted by the council when applying for recertification.*

### Location & Accommodations

Embassy Suites Hotel & Conference Center  
100 Conference Center Drive  
East Peoria, Illinois 61611  
309.694.0200

Reduced room rates are available for conference attendees.



## AGENDA

- 8:15 am** Registration and Light Breakfast
- 9:00 am** Welcome
- 9:15 am** Keynote Address – 1.5 pdh  
The Joys and Challenges of Working with Children  
Tim Drew, EdD, LCPC
- 10:45 am** Break and Snacks
- 11:00 am** Breakout Session 1 – 1 pdh
- Noon** Lunch Buffet
- 1:00 pm** Breakout Session 2 – 1.5 pdh
- 2:30 pm** Break and Snacks
- 2:45 pm** Breakout Session 3 – 1 pdh
- 4:00 pm** Closing Session – 1 pdh  
A Case for Child Life  
Gene Couri, MD, FAAP, FACEP
- 5:15pm** Optional Tour of Children's Hospital of Illinois  
Shuttles will be provided. Space is limited.



## KEYNOTE ADDRESS

**The Joys and Challenges of Working with Children**  
Tim Drew, EdD, LCPC  
*Associate Professor of Clinical Pediatrics,  
Department of Pediatrics  
University of Illinois College of Medicine at Peoria*

## CLOSING SESSION

**A Case for Child Life**  
Gene Couri, MD, FAAP, FACEP  
*Clinical Assistant Professor of Internal Medicine  
Department of Surgery, Division of Emergency Medicine  
University of Illinois College of Medicine at Peoria*

## BREAKOUT SESSIONS

**Breakout Session 1**  
**Defining the Need for Child Life Specialists and Child Life Services to be Provided for Children in American Red Cross Disaster Shelters**  
Rebecca Holtzman, MS, CCLS  
*Unity Point Health - Methodist – Peoria, IL*

**Improving the End of Life Experience for Bereaved and Terminally Ill Children**  
Ashley Wilson, MS, CCLS, CPST  
*Child Life Manager*  
Suzy Cook, BS, CCLS, CPST  
Cadee Teaford, MS, CCLS, CPST  
Kristi Donovan, BS, CCLS  
*Mercy Children's Hospital – Springfield, MO*

**Patient and Family Centered Care: A Parent's Perspective**  
Children's Hospital of Illinois Family Advisory Board

**Breakout Session 2**  
**Venturing Into Unfamiliar Territory? Be Sure to Pack Your Lightning. Building Powerful Programs and Peaceful Relationships Within Established Settlements**  
Kjersten Metzger, BA, CCLS  
*Child Life Specialist  
Children's Hospital of Illinois – Peoria, IL*

**Collaboration for Comfort – How to Help Patients and Families Cope with Pokes and Procedures Across the Healthcare Continuum**  
Benjamin Miller, BS, CCLS, CTRS  
*UI Children's Hospital – Iowa City, IA*  
Julie Piazza, MS, CCLS  
*CS Mott Children's Hospital – Ann Arbor, MI*

**School Reintegration – Keeping Children With Cancer Connected to the Classroom**  
Shelley Lee, BS, CCLS  
*Child Life Specialist  
St. Jude Midwest Affiliate – Peoria IL*

**Breakout Session 3**  
**Using Sign Language With Children to Increase or Develop Communication and Language Skills**  
Abbey Cook, MS, CCC-SLP  
*Speech Language Pathologist and Owner  
Communication Junction*

**You Look Like a Boy: Children's Perceptions on Hair Loss From a Personal and Professional Perspective**  
Dana Burnett, Child Life Graduate Student, Illinois State University  
Colleen Gannon, Child Life Graduate Student, Illinois State University

**Prescription: Make A Wish – Gaining a Better Understanding of the Crucial Impact that a Wish Can Have on the Healing Process**  
Dina Thachet, CCLS  
*Medical Outreach Manager  
Make a Wish® Illinois*

## REGISTRATION FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title/Credential \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Breakout Session Selection**  
Please select one presentation for each breakout session time.

- Session 1:** 11 am – choose one
- Child Life Needs in American Red Cross Shelters
  - Improving End of Life Experiences
  - Family Advisory Board Panel
- Session 2:** 1 pm – choose one
- Building Powerful Child Life Programs
  - Collaboration for Comfort: Helping Children Cope
  - School Reintegration for Pediatric Cancer Patients

- Session 3:** 2:45 pm – choose one
- Using Sign Language to Increase Language Skills
  - Child Life Role on Medical Mission Trips
  - Prescription: Make a Wish® Illinois

- Optional Tour:** 5:15 pm
- I am interested in attending the tour of Children's Hospital of Illinois

**To Register** – Choose ONE  
Online: [childrenshospitalofillinois.org/cl](http://childrenshospitalofillinois.org/cl)  
or scan



*Mail completed form and payment to:*  
Children's Hospital of Illinois  
Attn: Julie Baer, Child Life  
530 NE Glen Oak Ave  
Peoria, IL 61637  
*Email:* [julie.k.baer@osfhealthcare.org](mailto:julie.k.baer@osfhealthcare.org)  
*Call:* 309.624.0225

**Registration Fee**  
\$100 – Conference materials, light breakfast, snacks, lunch and parking are included.  
*Registration Deadline:* October 9, 2013

**Payment Options**

- Check – payable to Children's Hospital of Illinois - Child Life Services
- Credit Card
  - Master Card
  - Visa
  - Discover

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