

Society for Child and Family Policy and Practice

Division 37

The Society for Child and Family Policy and Practice (Division 37 of the American Psychological Association; formerly Division 37: Child, Youth, and Family Services) is committed to the application of psychological knowledge to advocacy, service delivery, and public policies affecting children, youth, and families. The Society advances research, education, training, and practice through a multidisciplinary perspective. Society activities, which include published works, have focused on such topics as: divorce and custody, child abuse prevention, pediatric AIDS, drug-exposed infants, latchkey children, homelessness, and systems of care. The Society has created a Task Force on Children's Mental Health which is committed to advancing the U.S. Surgeon General's agenda to raise awareness of and to enhance the provision of mental health services to millions of unserved and underserved children across the nation. The Society's membership newsletter, *Child and Family Policy and Practice Advocate*, highlights emerging issues in the field. Student members and professionals in related fields are welcome to join.



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Section On Child Maltreatment

Mission: The Section on Child Maltreatment of the Division of Child, Youth, and Family Services supports and promotes scientific inquiry, training, professional practice, and advocacy in the area of child maltreatment.

Purpose: The purpose of the Section on Child Maltreatment is to promote the general objectives of the APA and the Division of Child, Youth, and Family Services; to support and encourage the development of the scientific study of child maltreatment and of sound professional practice relevant to child maltreatment; to provide up-to-date information about maltreatment; to encourage networking across Divisions/ Sections in the area of maltreatment; and to advance scientific inquiry, training, and professional practice in the area of child maltreatment as a means of promoting the well-being, health, and mental health of children, youth, and families. For more information on the Section, please contact Section President Sharon Portwood, PhD. For membership information, please contact Membership Chair Rebecca Feinberg, PhD.

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