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Sondra and David S. Mack Student Center, North Campus



District Attorney Madeline Singas invites you and your colleagues to attend this year's Long Island Youth Safety Coalition major conference – Stop the Violence. Once again, our team has gathered an array of talented presenters, workshops, and resources of practical value on a wide variety of helpful information. Workshops on active shooter drills, lockdowns and lockouts, gun violence, post traumatic policies, human trafficking, social media, self-harm, LGBTQ, school safety task force, stop the bleed, and the epidemic of pediatric gun violence.

## *Don McPherson* *Stop the violence against women*

We are proud to announce that our keynote is Don McPherson, the renowned Activist, Educator, Feminist, and College Football Hall of Famer. His work on youth safety and especially men's violence against women is legendary. After a spectacular career in professional football Don McPherson turned his focus to the issue of "men's violence against women," as director of Sport in Society's Mentors in Violence Prevention Program, taking over for the program's founder, Jackson Katz. McPherson emerged as a national leader and advocate for the prevention of sexual and domestic violence. He has conducted workshops and lectures for more than 250 college campuses, community organizations and national sports and violence prevention organizations. His programs and lectures have reached more than **1 million people**.



# ***Youth and Adult Advocates***

## ***Stop the violence on the streets and in the schools***

Long Islanders have mobilized to stop the violence on the streets and in our schools. Assistant District Attorney Rene Fiechter and Floral Park PD Officer John Groshans will lead a panel of local youth and adult advocates.

Linda Beigel Schulman, mother of Scott Beigel, Parkland teacher victim  
Christopher Underwood 11-year-old advocate  
John Wilson, Massapequa High School, Anti Violence Video Project  
Michelle Zarifis, Hofstra grad from Newton, CT, office of the SC District Attorney

### **PROGRAM DETAILS:**

8:15 – 9:00 Registration and Breakfast  
9:00 - 9:10 Welcome: Assistant District Attorney René P. Fiechter  
**Opening Remarks: District Attorney Madeline Singas**  
9:15-10:15 Keynote: Don McPherson  
10:20 -11:20 DA's Advocates Panel  
11:25-12:25 Breakout Workshop - Session I  
12:30 – 1:10 Lunch  
1:10 – 2:10 Breakout Workshop - Session II  
2:15 – 3:15 Breakout Workshop - Session III  
3:15 NARCAN TRAINING and Certificates of Completion

**\*\*\*CEU, CTLE & CLE credits available \*\*\***

**THE COALITION NEEDS YOU!** The *Long Island Youth Safety Coalition* offers periodic island wide forums on critical topics effecting youth and provides a forum for discussions and information exchange via our website [www.liyouthsafetycoalition.org](http://www.liyouthsafetycoalition.org) . Meetings are open and are usually held the last Wednesday of the month at 1 pm. If you are interested in joining or obtaining more information, contact René Fiechter Director of Community Affairs for the Nassau County District Attorney at (516) 571-1090, [rene.fiechter@nassauda.org](mailto:rene.fiechter@nassauda.org) We could use your ideas!

# WORKSHOPS

## ***1. Active Shooter Drills / Lockdowns / Lockouts: School safety a common-sense approach.***

This workshop will discuss and look at safety plans, procedures and policy. What is new, what works and what is the proper school response.

PRESENTER: PO John Groshans, Floral Park PD

## ***2. Gun violence education in our schools: Misconceptions About Gun Violence***

Educators from the New Yorkers Against Gun Violence Fund will be sharing information about the REACTION Youth Program, a gun violence prevention education program offered to New York public schools. The speakers will facilitate a dialogue in a town hall format to engage attendees in an in-depth discussion surrounding the facts and myths about gun violence. Topics include how gun violence affects communities, common misconceptions, where guns come from, why people use them, and how you can help reduce the use of guns.

PRESENTERS: Shaina Harrison, Program Director, & Kris Arroyo, Program Associate New Yorkers Against Gun Violence Education Fund

## ***3. kids, guns and violence .... what's up with that?***

A brief overview is offered as to the causes behind violence in kids and young adults, discuss interventions needed with special reference to the role of guns.

PRESENTER: Abid I. Khan, M.B.; M.D., Director of Psychiatry, Brunswick Hospital Center

## **4. Human Trafficking: Project RESET: Real Effects of Sexual Exploitation and Human Trafficking in the Long Island region**

This program addresses the prevalence and scope of human trafficking, social myths and how we can address these myths to support victims. Emphasis will be on Human Trafficking on Long Island and services available in Nassau County to assist survivors of trafficking.

PRESENTERS: The Safe Center of Long Island

Keith Scott, Director of Education,  
Liz Osowiecki, Education Coordinator,  
Claudia Sandez, Education Coordinator

## **5. VIBS (Victims Information Bureau of Suffolk): What We're Missing: Reducing risk in the school environment**

Challenging behaviors, oppositional defiant disorder, conduct disorder and even ADHD can all have their roots in trauma in the home. We will explore how Adverse Childhood Experiences and trauma can affect the school environment, and how a trauma-informed approach can bring better outcomes.

PRESENTER: Anthony Zenkus, LMSW – Senior Director of Education & Communications, Victims Information Bureau of Suffolk

## **6. Social Media: “The air we breathe”**

Social Media “The air we breathe” is a 60-minute lecture intended to open the minds of educators so that they may learn to look at social media from every perspective. It is intended to make us think about our own lives and how we use social media. It is intended to help us understand why social media is as important as the air they breathe and the effects it has on the children and young adults we teach. The main objective in this lecture is to learn what social media is and how to respect it. Educators will learn signs and indicators of students in distress that may be victims of a bad social media experience. They will learn to demonstrate multiple techniques to assist these children.

PRESENTER: Retired Nassau County Police Detective, Peter Badalucco.

## **7. Self-Harm: Hurting from the inside out: Understanding Self Injury**

In this training we will discuss how self-injury can be symptomatic of a larger ailment and discuss the two reasons most students self-harm. Current data is used to explore the cycle of shame regarding this behavior, detection, contagion, risk factors, and how school crisis teams can best assist, as we work together to ensure our students positive mental health and well-being.

PRESENTER: Laura Campbell a Certified Crisis Counselor and The Director of Education for LI Crisis Center

## **8. Creating Safer Schools for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning/ Queer (LGBTQ) Youth**

This training will focus on safety concerns for LGBTQ students and is designed to raise awareness about challenges faced by LGBTQ youth. Participants will discuss the risk factors and explore realistic strategies to make school a safer place for all students, including the creation of Gay/Straight Alliances. Specific attention will be paid to violence faced by LGBTQ identified individuals in New York State.

Presenter: Aiden Jay Kaplan, LMSW

## **9. DA's School Safety Task Force:**

An overview of the work of the District Attorney's School Safety Task force. The Task Force is comprised of leading school officials and has been at work creating solutions and strategies to attack the gun safety issue facing our schools. An update of the Task Force's work of will be presented.

Presenter: Joyce A. Smith, Task Force Chair, Deputy Executive ADA for Community Partnerships

## ***10. Stop the Bleed***

The American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma is leading the effort to save lives by teaching the civilian population to provide vital initial response to stop uncontrolled bleeding in emergency situations. This will be accomplished by the development of a comprehensive and sustainable bleeding control education and information program targeted to civilians that will inform, educate and empower the 300+million citizens of the United States.

PRESENTERS: Sgt. William A. Doherty, Esq. and Police Officer Chris Timm, Both from Floral Park PD

## ***11. Pediatrics: Pediatric Gun Violence: A Health Care Crisis in Need of Health***

The epidemic of pediatric gun violence in the United States has become a critical public health issue. Seventy-four children are injured or killed by a gun in the US every day and of all the children in the world less than 14 years old killed by a firearm, eighty seven percent are killed in the United States. Over this one hour we will discuss the epidemiology of pediatric gun violence and then give health care professionals and educators tangible and immediate opportunities to become involved on multiple advocacy levels of including clinical, community, state, national.

PRESENTERS:

Dr. Jeff Oestreicher is a Pediatric Emergency Medicine physician at Cohen Children's Medical Center, a Level I pediatric trauma center in Long Island, and faculty member in the Division of Pediatric Emergency Medicine at the Donald and Barbara Zucker School of Medicine at Hofstra/Northwell.

Nina Agrawal MD, Pediatricians for Gun Safety, Child Abuse Pediatrician, South Bronx, NY

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