

## QUALIFICATIONS OF PROGRAM PRESENTERS

We are pleased to share some brief background information about the national trainers who have contributed to this course.

### **Barbara Baumann, PhD**

Dr. Barbara Baumann is a clinical and developmental psychologist at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine. She is a national trainer and consultant with the team that has developed and disseminated Alternatives for Families: A Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (AF-CBT). She is also the developer of Alternatives for Professionals (AFP), an intervention designed to assist case support professionals in engaging and working with families exhibiting high levels of aggression or child physical abuse. She conducts synchronous in-person and online trainings in AF-CBT and has trained clinicians and supervisors from across the United States and the world, including Singapore, Egypt, Australia, South Korea, Israel, Kenya, and Bermuda. Her primary research interests are in the successful dissemination and implementation of evidence-based treatments and in building community collaborations to bridge science and practice.

### **Elissa J. Brown, PhD**

Dr. Elissa J. Brown is a Professor of Psychology and the Executive Director of the Child HELP (Heal, Empower, Learn, Prevent) Partnership at St. John's University. Her primary clinical and research interests include the prevention and treatment of child trauma and posttraumatic stress disorder. She is the Director of a Category II site of the National Child Traumatic Stress Network. She is co-developer of Alternatives for Families: A Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy, a treatment for family conflict and physical abuse and a certified trainer of Trauma-Focused Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy, a treatment for traumatized youth and their non-offending caregivers. Dr. Brown is a member of several national and international organizations dedicated to improving mental health services for traumatized children and served on the Board of the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children. She recently received the Mark Chaffin Outstanding Research Career Achievement Award from the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children.

### **Ashley Fiore, MSW, LCSW**

Ashley Fiore has treated children who experienced trauma throughout her professional career as a clinician, clinical director, program manager, trainer, and consultant. She is a certified national trainer in Alternatives for Families: A Cognitive Behavioral Therapy

(AF-CBT) and Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT). Ashley has worked at the national level training and supporting over 1,000 clinicians serving Children's Advocacy Centers while developing and implementing a learning community approach to training. She continues to see clients at her local Child Advocacy Center.

Ashley incorporates case examples and adult learning principles into training and consults with Children's Advocacy Centers and other organizations on topics such as caregiver engagement, creative trauma-informed interventions, assessment, and implementation of evidence-based treatment models.

### **Monica Fitzgerald, PhD**

Dr. Monica Fitzgerald is a licensed clinical psychologist and Senior Research Associate in the Prevention Science Program at the University of Colorado Boulder's Institute of Behavioral Science. She directs the Center for Resilience + Well-Being and has expertise in childhood trauma and resilience, social emotional development, and family communication and parenting. She has deep knowledge in evidence-based, trauma responsive prevention programs and treatments for families and schools, and implementation science. She directs several federal, state, and local initiatives focused on building community capacity to access evidence-based, trauma responsive family prevention programs and interventions and developing and evaluating trauma-responsive prevention programs that build strong adult-youth relationships and safe, supportive environments in families and schools (e.g., Let's Connect, Resilience in Schools & Educators). Dr. Fitzgerald is a developer of Let's Connect and a certified trainer and consultant in Alternatives for Families, AF-CBT, and Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, TF-CBT, interventions and enjoys training and consulting nationally and internationally. She has authored numerous scientific articles and book chapters. Dr. Fitzgerald received her doctorate in Clinical Psychology from the University of Georgia and completed a post-doctoral fellowship in childhood traumatic stress from the Medical University of South Carolina.

### **David J. Kolko, PhD**

Dr. David J. Kolko is Professor of Psychiatry, Psychology, Pediatrics, and Clinical and Translational Science, at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine. Dr. Kolko is a co-developer of AF-CBT and involved in the dissemination, evaluation, and refinement of AF-CBT across the U.S. and internationally. His treatment research interests include the study and treatment of child abuse/family conflict, child behavior disorders, firesetting, and adolescent sexual offending, as well as the integration of behavioral health services in pediatric primary care and family health centers. He directs the Special

Services Unit at UPMC Western Behavioral Health, a program devoted to the development and dissemination of evidence-based practices for children/adolescents who are victims and/or perpetrators of physical/sexual aggression being served in diverse community settings, such as juvenile justice, child welfare, pediatric primary care, and mental health.

### **Naomi Perry, MSW**

Naomi Perry currently contracts with the Washington State Department of Child, Youth and Families (DCYF) to work with families in the child welfare system and to maintain model fidelity of the AF-CBT and PCIT Interventions. She is a Certified Alternatives for Families: Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (AF-CBT) trainer, consultant and provider in Washington State. She is also a PCIT International Certified Regional Trainer for PCIT International Associates and a parent coach. Ms. Perry is a mental health therapist trained in several EBP's including Trauma-Focused Therapy for Children (TF-CBT) and Trauma Focused (TF) Therapy for adults. She is a former employee of Harborview Medical Center's Abuse Focused clinic having worked with children and families in additional interventions such Sexual Abuse (SA) focused specific trauma, Common Elements Therapy for Adults (CETA); Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) and Triple P. Ms. Perry abides by the NASW code of ethics and practices with culturally appropriate techniques to engage with families.