

8th Annual National Peer Program Conference

February 8 - 9, 2018
Perdido Beach Resort
Orange Beach, AL

One grain of sand is small on its own, but together,
they move the world.

Presented by
The Jennifer Claire Moore Foundation

AGENDA

Wednesday, February 7, 2018

7:00 – 8:30 pm **Early Registration | Convention Center Foyer - Lobby Level**
Break-out Sessions will be selected during on-site registration.

Thursday, February 8, 2018

6:00 – 8:15 am **Breakfast for hotel guests | Latitude 30** *(use voucher from registration packet)*

7:00 – 8:15 am **Registration & Exhibitors Open | Convention Center Foyer - Lobby Level**
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8:30 – 9:45 am **Break-Out Sessions**

Taking Your Peer Helper Program to the Next Level | Julie Champion

An overview of the curriculum and resources now available through the JCMF's partner ThriveWay. Having access to the same resources as all the Baldwin County, AL Programs. A digital platform for program data to show they great work your students are doing to support their fellow peers. Preview the current curriculum and the ease of access the Portal provides. Session Recommended for Programs who are interested in the curriculum and tools available through ThriveWay.

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Diving Deeper into the Peer Helper Portal | Meredith Miller

In this informative and interactive session, participants will discuss the collaborative group tool housed in the Peer Helper Portal online resource. They will actively work to increase the use of the events and documents in which they currently have available. Coordinators will also ask questions and share ideas of their Wish List items for the Peer Helper Portal. Session Recommended for Programs who already have access to the Peer Helper Portal.

Extended Family: Program for Children of Incarcerated | Laure Clemmons & Cyndi Johnson

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9:45 – 10:00 am Coffee Break

10:00 – 11:15 am Break-Out Sessions

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11:15 – 11:45 am Exhibitors Open

11:30 – 12:15 pm Plated Lunch

12:15 – 1:45 pm Key Note Session: *Empty Spaces | Lance Dyer*

Sharing a personal testimony of losing his son to drugs. What lead up to the passing of Dakota. How he found out what contributed to his death. What to advise parents of when suspecting Synthetic Drugs in a death or hospitalization, and the beginning of the mission to bring awareness to youth concerning Synthetic Drugs.

2:00 – 3:15 pm Break-Out Sessions

Confident Me! DOVE Self-Esteem Project | Jan Gay

This session will bring awareness and education to the free program for any school counselor, school social worker, and educator interested in using it. Attendees will participate in engaging activities to learn more about the program, support around implementing it in their school community, and incentives for participation.

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"Syncans" Past, Present and Future | Lance Dyer

Overview of how synthetic drugs have progressed since 2011 and what to expect. A brief guideline on how to educate youth and young adults concerning these drugs. How to use Peer Pressure as a positive tool in creating a drug free environment.

3:15 – 3:30 pm Coffee Break

3:30 – 4:15 pm Break-Out Sessions

Social and Behavioral Struggles in Middle School | Amanda Blake, Kathryn Dole & Chelsey Bowling

This interactive discussion will cover the common questions about implementing a Peer Helper program at the middle school level. This session will cover the social issues which commonly lead to at-risk behaviors among youth. Participants will be

guided through various techniques in which have been proven successful while utilizing Peer Helper students as part of the solution.

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Social and Behavioral Struggles in High School | Brittany Faison & Julie Champion

This interactive discussion will cover the common questions about implementing a Peer Helper program at the high school level. This session will cover the social issues which commonly lead to at-risk behaviors among youth. Participants will be guided through various techniques in which have been proven successful while utilizing Peer Helper students as part of the solution.

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Social and Behavioral Struggles in Lower Elementary | Jennifer Knight & Lana Mallet

This interactive discussion will cover the common questions about implementing a Peer Helper program at the lower elementary school level. This session will cover the social issues which commonly lead to at-risk behaviors among youth. Participants will be guided through various techniques in which have been proven successful while utilizing Peer Helper students as part of the solution.

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Social and Behavioral Struggles in Upper Elementary | Rebecca Winberg & Lyle Cooper

This interactive discussion will cover the common questions about implementing a Peer Helper program at the upper elementary school level. This session will cover the social issues which commonly lead to at-risk behaviors among youth. Participants will be guided through various techniques in which have been proven successful while utilizing Peer Helper students as part of the solution.

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**** Coordinator Appreciation & Social ****

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6:00 – 8:15 am **Breakfast for hotel guests | Latitude 30** (use voucher from registration packet)

7:00 – 8:15 am **Registration & Exhibitors Open | Convention Center Foyer - Lobby Level**

8:30 – 9:45 am **Break-Out Sessions**

JCMF Primary Level Peer Helper Programs, Baldwin County | Allison Faircloth

The session is designed specifically for Elementary and Intermediate Peer Helper Programs funded and supported by the Jennifer Claire Moore Foundation. During this collaborative session, program progress and goals will be discussed.

Stop That! - Understanding and Teaching Social Skills to Children and Adolescents | Charlie Morris

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Mutt-i-grees: Transforming Our Schools & Communities! | Deborah Swink

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At the end of the day, we all want to matter. We want to matter to others, to the world we live in, we ultimately want to leave a mark. Otherwise, what's the point of life? Therein lies the challenge.... to live a life of significance and purpose.

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JCMF Secondary Level Peer Helper Programs, Baldwin County | Allison Faircloth

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