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2018—2019 Year in Review



Serving the Health and Human Services Community

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69,061 Learning Experiences Provided



Our Mission

We provide exceptional learning and development experiences for the transformation of individuals, organizations, and communities.

Our Vision

We envision a world where the quality of life for individuals, organizations, and communities is transformed to a healthier place.

Our Programs



We create experiences that transform the heart, mind, and practice.



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Our purpose

Revolutionize the way people work to ensure the world is a healthier place.

Here's what our Stakeholders have to say about the Academy.



In pursuit of excellence, they offer subject matter expertise in a collaborative and professional fashion that yields high quality and innovative products.

Yael Koenig, LCSW
Deputy Director
Behavioral Health Services,
Children, Youth and Families
County of San Diego Health &
Human Services Agency



Child Welfare Development Services has undoubtedly inspired me to take my leadership efforts, and the evolution of my organization to the next level! Each of their staff behaves with integrity. They say what they're going to do, and they do it exactly.

Judy Webber, LCSW
Deputy Director
Ventura County Human Services Agency
Children & Family Services



I have found that [the Academy] always goes 'above and beyond' the requirements in creating, updating, and enhancing the best possible training for Adult Protective Services staff, supervisors, and managers.

Kevin Bigelow
National Adult Protective Services Association (NAPSA), Consultant



[CWDS] are strong advocates in representing our voice at the State level. As a Training Department we heavily depend on the service delivery and local regional support of CWDS. They have been true partners.

Bob Abair
Orange County Social Services Agency - Training & Career Development Program



We rely heavily on [CWDS] team of experts to assist our department with emerging practices, legislation and implementation strategies. Their responsiveness and exceptional customer service is commendable.

Sayori Baldwin, MPA
Managing Director
Children's Services and Self Sufficiency Divisions
County of Riverside Department of Public Social Services



The Academy has been THE pivotal partner in the National Adult Protective Services Association's efforts to develop and deliver standardized training to APS workers across the nation... We love working with them!

Lori Delagrammatikas
Executive Director
National Adult Protective Services Association (NAPSA)



The Academy developed an innovative approach to addressing the issue of disproportionality in child welfare with the creation of the Cultural Responsiveness Academy (CRA)... making a significant impact on improving practice.

Kimberly Giardina, DSW, MSW
Acting Director
Child Welfare Services
County of San Diego Health & Human Services Agency



I have witnessed our LIA graduates emerge from the program with a renewed dedication and an eagerness to put their newly acquired skills into action.

Antonia Jiménez
Director
Los Angeles Department of Public Social Services



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