

# SAFE & TOGETHER™ MODEL

2023 NORTH AMERICAN CONFERENCE

## Changing Systems Globally

SEPTEMBER 20-22, 2023  
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ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

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# DAY 1 – Wednesday, September 20, 2023

TIME & LOCATION	ACTIVITY
	<b>PRE-CONFERENCE MASTERCLASSES</b>
8:00-9:00 AM	Registration, tea & coffee available
9:00-10:30 AM	Workshop
10:30-10:45 AM	<b>Break - Outside Sierra</b>
10:45 AM-12:00 PM	Workshop
12:00-1:00 PM	<b>Lunch</b>
1:00-2:15 PM	Workshop
2:15-2:30 PM	<b>Break - Outside Sierra</b>
2:30-4:00 PM	Workshop
Ocotillo II	<b>Masterclass 1:</b> Applying a Perpetrator Pattern-Based Approach in Family Court Context (David Mandel, Executive Director, Safe & Together Institute)
Ocotillo I	<b>Masterclass 2:</b> Using Coaching to Increase Effective Practice and System Change (Heidi Rankin, Associate Director, Safe & Together Institute + Shelly Napoletano Flynn, Trainer Certification Program Manager, Safe & Together Institute)
Sierra I	<b>Masterclass 3:</b> An Introduction to the Safe & Together Model (Leah Vejzovic, North American Regional Manager, Safe & Together Institute)

Participants are invited to attend 1 of the 3 masterclass options that run the entirety of Day 1

# DAY 2 – Thursday, September 21, 2023

TIME & LOCATION		ACTIVITY
<i>*Session is live streamed for Virtual Conference registrants.</i>		
8:00-9:00 AM		Registration, tea & coffee available
9:00-9:30 AM	La Ventana	<b>Conference Welcome*</b> : Cedric Chavez, President, New Mexico Indian Council on Aging
9:30-11:00 AM	La Ventana	<b>Keynote*</b> : “Why does she keep choosing him over her children?” How to stop blaming mothers, ignoring fathers and fix the way we keep children safe from domestic violence (David Mandel, Executive Director, Safe & Together Institute)
11:00-11:30 AM		<b>Break</b>
11:30 AM-12:45 PM		<b>WORKSHOP SECTION I</b>
<a href="#">Workshop Section I Descriptions</a>	La Ventana	<b>Workshop 1*</b> : Implementation of Safe & Together Beyond the Classroom: New York State’s strategy to transform child welfare practice and broader systems change (Candace Calabrese, OCFS Safe & Together Practice Implementation Manager, NYS OCFS + Bethani Whiting, OCFS Safe & Together Practice Implementation Lead, NYS OCFS)
	Ocotillo I	<b>Workshop 2*</b> : Douglas County, Nebraska’s Journey to Systemic Change (Katie Hansen, Director, Harmony Project)
	Ocotillo II	<b>Workshop 3*</b> : Caring Dads – An intervention for child maltreatment and domestic violence. Helping Fathers Value their Children (Sarah Webb, Global Enterprise Manager, Caring Dads)
	Sierra II	<b>Workshop 4*</b> : The Safe & Together Book - interviewing survivors and practitioners (David Mandel, Executive Director, Safe & Together Institute + Deb Nicholson, Deb Nicholson Consulting)
12:45-1:30 PM	Sandia V	<b>Lunch</b>

1:30-2:45 PM <a href="#">Workshop Section II Descriptions</a>		<b>WORKSHOP SECTION II</b>
	La Ventana	<b>Workshop 5*</b> : Using the Web-Based Perpetrator Pattern Mapping Tool to Embed Safe & Together into Your Agency (Heidi Rankin, Associate Director, Safe & Together Institute + Leah Vejzovic, North America Regional Manager, Safe & Together Institute)
	Ocotillo I	<b>Workshop 6</b> : Sacred in the System: Skill Development for Professionals Called to Support Children & Families Living with DV (Beth Ann Morhardt, Beth Ann Morhardt Collaborations, LLC)
	Ocotillo II	<b>Workshop 7</b> : Introducing a 360 degree holistic approach to working with families: prevention, support & healing (Rhonda Dagg, Program Specialist, General CFS Authority + Lisa Schmidt, Program Specialist, General CFS Authority)
	Sierra II	<b>Workshop 8</b> : Systems Change: Using Implementation Strategy to Create Real Domestic Violence Informed Change (David Mandel, Executive Director, Safe & Together Institute)
2:45-3:15 PM		<b>Break</b>
3:15-4:45 PM	La Ventana	<b>Keynote*</b> : "The Last Drop": A Sci-Fi Film Designed to Educate Young People About Coercive Control (Adam Joel, Writer/Director; Ruth Reymundo Mandel, Safe & Together Institute Communications and E-Learning Manager)
4:45-5:00 PM	La Ventana	<b>Champion Award Presentation</b>
5:00-7:00 PM	Sierra I	<b>Networking Event / Book Reading</b>

## DAY 3 – Friday, September 22, 2023

TIME & LOCATION	ACTIVITY
<i>*Session is live streamed for Virtual Conference registrants.</i>	
8:00-9:00 AM	Registration, tea & coffee available
9:00-9:15 AM	La Ventana <b>Welcome Back*</b>
9:15-10:45 AM	La Ventana <b>Keynote*</b> : Responding Effectively to Coercive Control (Dr. Emma Katz, Associate Professor in Sociology, Durham University)
10:45-11:15 AM	<b>Break</b>

11:15 AM-12:45 PM	La Ventana	<b>Keynote*</b> : The Disregarded Protective Capacity of the Black Woman Survivor: Why doesn't she get any points for that? (Courageous Fire, Consultant, Trainer, Womens Empowerment Speaker, Courageous Fire LLC)
12:45-1:30PM	<i>Sandia V</i>	<i>Lunch</i>
1:30-2:45 PM	<b>WORKSHOP SECTION III</b>	
<a href="#">Workshop Section III Descriptions</a>	La Ventana	<b>Workshop 1*</b> : Moving Beyond Failure to Protect: NM CYFD Protective Services Dona Ana County's Journey to Transform the Child Welfare & Domestic Violence Response (Marianne Hernandez-Jimenez, County Office Manager, New Mexico CYFD + Tommi Fisher, Investigations Supervisor, NM CYFD + Brenda Flores, Investigations Supervisor, NM CYFD + Flor Gonzalez, Director of Support Services, La Casa, Inc + Nubia Martinez, Housing Director, La Casa, Inc)
	Ocotillo I	<b>Workshop 2:</b> Safe & Healthy Families Court: Nebraska's Framework for DV-Informed Practice Incorporating Safe & Together Principles (Pamela Jordan, Program Evaluator, Center for Children, Families & the Law + Elizabeth Buhr, Children & Family Services Administrator, Children & Family Services + Elise White, Judge, Separate Juvenile Court of Lancaster County + Lindsey Turner, Program Services Director, Voices of Hope)
	Ocotillo II	<b>Workshop 3:</b> From Parent-Centered to Child-Centered – Engaging Incarcerated Fathers in Conversations Towards Accountability (Michael Bautista, Manager, Fathering for the Future, Families Matter Society of Calgary)
	Sierra II	<b>Workshop 4:</b> Self Care for Practitioners: Using the Concept of Partnering with Survivors to Promote Worker Health and Well-Being (David Mandel, Executive Director, Safe & Together Institute + Ruth Reymundo Mandel, E-Learning & Communications Manager, Safe & Together Institute)
2:45-3:15 PM		<i>Break</i>
3:15-4:45 PM		<b>Keynote*</b> : The Four Pillars of "Failure to Protect" Culture (David Mandel, Executive Director, Safe & Together Institute)
4:45-5:00 PM		<b>Conference Wrap-up / Close*</b>



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