

**Register for the 17th Forum
and/or the When Culture Heals workshop
(you do not need to attend both)**

_____ tickets for 2019 Forum @ \$35* = \$ _____.

_____ free registration(s) for the workshop.

WCCC Membership (see other side) = \$ _____.

Apply your membership discounts!

Individual(s) @ \$20 (subtract \$5 from 1 Forum ticket)

Nonprofit @ \$100 (subtract \$5 each from 2 Forum tickets)

Business/Foundation @ \$150 (subtract \$5 each from 2 tkts)

Yes, I would like to make an additional tax-
deductible contribution of \$ _____.

Total enclosed \$ _____ (thank you!)

Please make check payable to:

Washington County Coalition for Children

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Washington County Coalition for Children
14 Woodruff Ave., Suite 9
Narragansett, RI 02882

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(Annual membership is valid from June 1 to May 31)

Yes, I would like to bring information to
share at Resource Tables (members only)

*For more information, contact Donna Greene at
DGreene@southcountyhealth.org or (401) 788-2371.
You can also visit www.washcokids.org.*



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“...and how are the children?”

The traditional greeting among the Masai tribe in Africa acknowledges the high value that the Masai place on their children's well-being. Even warriors with no children of their own respond: "All the children are well"... indicating that life is good; peace and safety prevail; and despite daily struggles, the priorities of caring for their children are in place.

Come help answer this question for Washington County's children!



THEME FOR THE DAY

**Empowering Communities to Address
Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE)**

with Laura Porter

Co-Founder, ACE Interface

FORUM KEYNOTE ADDRESS

The Magnitude of the Solution

WORKSHOP PRESENTATION

When Culture Heals

**South Kingstown Holiday Inn
3009 Tower Hill Rd., Saunderstown**

17th Annual Children's Issues Forum

PROGRAM

Breakfast & Networking

Champion for Children & Other Awards

...and how are the children? Data Update

KEYNOTE PRESENTATION

The Magnitude of the Solution

The most powerful drivers of people's health, safety and productivity are complex and interrelated. They are personally transmitted, and place-based. We need solutions that address the complexity of problems and foster measurable change in different community contexts at modest costs.

How do we create those solutions? The Adverse Childhood Experience (ACE) Study provides a common language, and a new way of thinking that invites a powerful story to emerge in the lives of uncommon leaders who want a better life for their children. Laura Porter will share stories that illustrate what matters most for community success.



Speaker: Laura Porter, ACE Interface

For nearly two decades, Laura Porter directed a statewide family-community-state partnership that successfully implemented ACE concepts in Washington State.

In partnership with more than 30 communities and 9 Tribes, she developed the model for increasing the capacity of communities to prevent ACEs and their effects. Implementation of the model resulted in significant reductions in rates of major health, education, and social problems.

Porter now works with leaders in more than 30 states, providing education, facilitation, and empowerment strategies for building "Self-Healing Communities".



A special thanks to the RI Department of Health/ State Office of Rural Health, without whom the day's programs would not have been possible.

Stay for our afternoon workshop!

When the Culture Heals

What Everyone Ought to Know About Creating Self-Healing Communities

Are you curious about how some communities build the capacity to improve lives year over year, even in the face of tremendous challenges?

The most powerful drivers of people's health, safety, and productivity are interrelated, and they happen in a place: community. Building the capacity of communities to solve interrelated problems involves helping people to shift to new ways of working and new ways of living day-by-day in community with others. Communities that build hope, honesty, and healing mobilize common resources in uncommon ways. They develop positive, appreciative and participatory methods to understand the dreams and aspirations of residents for the future of their children, and to learn what works for whom in what context.

Community strategy supports hope-filled action – a cornerstone of resilient communities. As a partner with 42 Self-Healing Communities, Laura Porter will share stories that illustrate what matters most for community success, and provide ideas and strategies that will help residents and professionals to contribute to that success.

Participants will be able to:

- Understand and share powerful preventive opportunities across the life course that interrupt the progression of adversity across the life course and transmission of adversity from one generation to the next.
- Name 4 powerful processes for building community resilience.
- Know the story of one community's 15-year journey toward safe community living, and through that story understand the layering of strategies that is characteristic of Self-Healing Communities.

Note: The Coalition is applying to award CEUs for the workshop. While the workshop is free, participants who wish to earn CEUs can pay the necessary fee at the event.

Join the Washington County Coalition for Children or renew your annual membership!

Coalition members are area health and social service providers, educators, community leaders, parents and concerned residents.

Our mission: "To be a voice that advocates for the health and well being of children and families in Washington County, serving as catalyst and facilitator in creating a culture where all children can thrive."

The Coalition:

- Advocates for the region's children locally, statewide, and nationally.
- Encourages collaboration to maximize relationships and resources.
- Researches and publishes comprehensive town-by-town statistics on the well-being of County children.
- Convenes forums and trainings for area professionals – doctors, teachers, mental health clinicians, after-school providers, youth leaders, etc. – who care for children.
- Facilitates collaboration to address compelling needs beyond the scope of any one agency or sector.
- Launches innovative initiatives such as *Feelin' Groovy*, *Chalk It Up Against Bullying*, *Welcome Baby & The Greatest 8* to meet community needs.

Become a member for as little as \$20

Individual Membership, \$20, comes with:

- *Spotlight* e-newsletter
- Email invitation to all events
- \$5 off Children's Issues breakfast
- Listing on all membership rolls

Nonprofit Agency Membership, \$100, comes with:

- *Spotlight* to CEO, Board & staff, as requested
- Email and/or written invitation to all events to CEO and Board of Directors, as requested
- \$5 off each for 2 at Children's Issues breakfast
- Free printed copy of any Coalition report published during the membership year
- Listing on all membership rolls
- Annual certificate of membership

Businesses/Foundations Membership, \$150:

- *Spotlight* to as many employees as requested
- Email and/or written invitation to all events to CEO and up to 5 employees
- \$5 off each for 2 at Children's Issues breakfast
- Free printed copy of any Coalition report published during the membership year
- Listing on all membership rolls
- Framed certificate of membership