

**5th Annual
Statewide
Sexual Assault
Symposium**

**Friday, April 8, 2005
Charleston Marriott Town Center
8:00a.m.–4:30p.m.**

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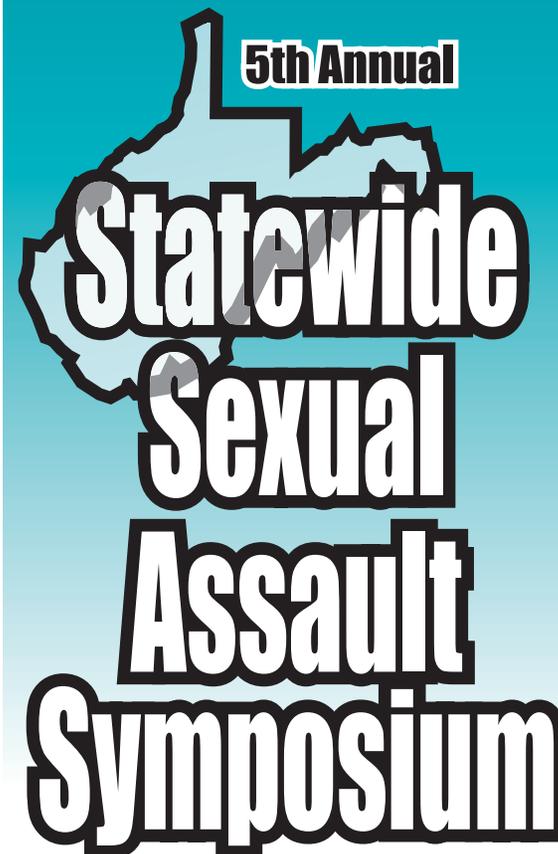
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The SEXUAL ASSAULT SYMPOSIUM is essential for criminal justice professionals, including police, prosecutors, judges, probation and parole officers, community-based advocates, social workers, state victim/witness assistance employees, counselors, college community and health professionals who work together to effectively respond to victims of sexual assault.

PRESENTERS

David Lisak, Ph.D. is an Associate Professor of Psychology at the University of Massachusetts, Boston where he conducts and supervises research on the causes and consequences of interpersonal violence. In particular he has studied the motives and characteristics of “undetected rapists”—men who rape but who are never prosecuted. His research has been published in leading journals in psychology, trauma and violence, and he is the founding editor of the journal, *Psychology of Men and Masculinity*. In addition to his research and teaching, Dr. Lisak serves as faculty for the National Judicial Education Program and the American Prosecutors Research Institute and has served as a consultant to judicial, prosecutor, and law enforcement education programs across the country. He has conducted workshops in more than thirty states across the US and consults widely with universities and other institutions regarding sexual assault prevention and policies.

Emily Spence-Diehl, MSW, Ph.D., is an Assistant Professor at the University of Texas at Arlington School of Social Work. She has extensive experience in designing and implementing programs to assist victims of stalking in university and community settings. She is the author of *Stalking: A Handbook for Victims* as well as several other publications addressing the problem of stalking. Her doctoral dissertation research led her to receive the “Emerging Scholar Award” given by the Association for Community Organization and Social Administration for outstanding scholarly potential in an area of community practices and work. She formerly worked at women’s centers and rape safe houses and encountered stalking victims daily. Stories of the women there turned her into one of the nation’s up and coming researchers on stalking. During the symposium, Dr. Spence-Diehl will discuss the prevalence of stalking among college students, and describe how the campus environment provides a unique setting that sometimes allows stalkers to flourish.

AGENDA 5th Annual Sexual Assault Symposium

8:00a.m.– 8:30a.m. **REGISTRATION**

8:30a.m.–10:00a.m. **WELCOME**

KEYNOTE—The Undetected Rapist—Dr. David Lisak

False stereotypes and misconceptions about who rapists are and how rapists behave continue to hamper the criminal justice system. The old stereotype of the knife-wielding, ski mask-wearing rapist who attacks strangers remains very entrenched. However, in recent years it has been joined by a new, equally false stereotype – that of the so-called “date rapist”—the “nice guy” who unknowingly rapes because of too much alcohol and miscommunication. These men are part of the enormous cadre of “undetected rapists”—men who commit rapes but who are either not reported or not prosecuted for their crimes—and they account for the vast majority of rape. Their crimes are characterized by extensive planning and premeditation, the frequent use of alcohol and other drugs to render their victims vulnerable, and the use of sufficient force and threats to terrify their victims into submission.

10:00a.m.–10:15a.m. **BREAK**

10:15a.m.–11:45a.m. **A1 The Neurobiology of Trauma—Dr. David Lisak**

The psychological and psychiatric symptoms and behaviors that characterize rape victims are actually the result of physical changes in the brain. Recent advances in neuroscience have opened a startling window onto the ways in which trauma affects both the brain’s functioning and its actual anatomy. Understanding these changes helps all those who work with victims to better understand apparently anomalous victim behavior and how best to work with victims.

A2 Sexual Assault and Stalking—Making the Connection—Dr. Emily Spence-Diehl

This “advanced advocacy” workshop will assist law enforcement, prosecutors and advocates in addressing the additional factors that often develop when stalking is a factor in rape.

11:45a.m.– 1:00p.m. **LUNCH**

1:00p.m.– 2:45p.m. **B1 Investigating and Prosecuting the Nonstranger Rapist—Dr. David Lisak**

Historically, nonstranger rape has been one of the most difficult crimes to successfully prosecute because the nonstranger rapist presents unique challenges to those responsible for protecting society from criminal behavior. Successful prosecution of these cases requires different strategies and a different focus than stranger rape cases, and a very coordinated effort by all those involved in the investigation and prosecution effort. Anyone who works with victims will benefit from learning how to attack the inevitable “consent defense.”

B2 Stalking on College Campuses 101—Dr. Emily Spence-Diehl

Where do you start when a campus has no policies or programs to address the problem of stalking? This session overviews common stalking scenarios on campuses, suggests prevention programs that may be implemented, identifies effective policies, and outlines a multi-tiered response that campuses could replicate.

2:45p.m.– 3:00p.m. **BREAK**

3:00p.m.– 4:30p.m. **C1 Do More Street Lights Prevent Sexual Assault? Implications for Prevention—Dr. David Lisak**

Research on undetected rapists has direct implications for how we strive to protect our communities and institutions from sexual violence. Redoubled efforts to prosecute nonstranger rapists, strong leadership from within communities and institutions, and focused education campaigns targeting “bystanders” and “facilitators” are needed to isolate rapists and protect our communities.

C2 Lessons Learned from Evaluating Services for Stalking Victims—Dr. Emily Spence-Diehl

Research results shared will include ways to assess needs of victims, how to assist stalking victims in making difficult decisions, and suggestions for coordinating and promoting services within your community.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

This training meets the requirements for the following:

The WV Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses, WVBRN Provider Registration Number: WV2000-0309RN for 7.5 contact hours;

The WV Board of Examiners for Social Work, WV Provider Number: 490094 for 7.5 contact hours;

The WV Board of Examiners for Counseling, Provider Number: WVBEC-518 for 6.25 Hours.

Law Enforcement approval for 6.25 contact hours is pending.

INFORMATION PARKING

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is \$5.50 per day.
Parking at Town Center Mall
is \$1.50 per day.

INFORMATIONAL DISPLAY TABLES

Any organization wishing to set up an informational table at the symposium should contact Debra Lopez-Bonasso no later than March 16, 2005. Cost per table is \$20.00.