

- **Project Title:** Perceptions of Violence and Retaliation: A Youthful Perspective  
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**Project Summary:**

The purpose of this research was to determine the perceptions of violence among children and youth. Specific goals included determining how children and youth perceive violence, whether they believe it is an acceptable retaliatory tool, and whether they themselves utilize violence and how. Participants were required to complete age-appropriate scenarios involving conflicts between children and youth. They were asked to resolve the conflict. Their solutions provided insight into the problem-solving tools the children and youth would utilize and whether violence was a part of the solution. Where possible, focus groups were also conducted with the participants to gain a more in-depth understanding of their thought processes.

**Publications:**

Noble, D. N. and Ausbrooks, A. (2008). Social work with children and their families. In D. M DiNitto & C. A. McNeece (Eds.), C. A., Social Work: Issues and Opportunities in a Challenging Profession (pp.239-260). Chicago: Lyceum.

**Presentations:**

- 1.) North American Association of Christians in Social Work, Orlando, FL, February 7-10, 2008. "An Exploration of Resilience in Child Protective Services Supervisors: Why They Stay."
- 2.) Council on Social Work Education, San Francisco, CA, October 27-30, 2007. "About Africa: Preparing the Next Generation of Global Educators." (with K. Brown, and C. Hawkins)
- 3.) Council on Social Work Education, San Francisco, CA, October 27-30, 2007. "Child Welfare Supervisor Retention: An Exploratory Study of Personal and Organizational Resilience."
- 4.) Council on Social Work Education, San Francisco, CA, October 27-30, 2007. "Cultural Climate of an MSW Program." (with S. Jones)

- 5.)Family Preservation Institute, San Antonio, TX, September 5-7, 2007.  
“Child Welfare Supervisor Retention: An Exploratory Study of Personal and Organizational Resilience.”
- 6.)Family Preservation Institute, San Antonio, TX, September 5-7, 2007.  
“Spiritually Effective Practice: Caring for Families and for Ourselves.” (with C. Hawkins)
- 7.)West Coast Child Welfare Trainers Conference, Albuquerque, NM, August 14-16, 2006. “Establishing and Maintaining Successful Title IV-E Partnerships. (with R. Smith)
- 8.)Baccalaureate Program Directors Conference, Austin, TX, November 3-6, 2005. “The Cultural Diversity Initiative.” (with, D. Freeman and S. Hill-Jones)
- 9.)National Family Preservation Conference, San Antonio, TX, September 7-9, 2005.  
“Surviving Graduate School While Working Full-Time.” (with R. Smith)
- 10.) International Association of Caribbean Social Workers Conference, Kingston, Jamaica, August 7-9, 2005. “Harnessing the Power of Partnerships and Using the Tools of Technology to Educate Social Workers for Excellence in Practice in an Era of Global Transformation.” (with K. Brown)
- 11.) The University of Oklahoma School of Social Work Child Welfare Professional Enhancement Program’s First National Conference, Santa Fe, New Mexico, July 12-15, 2004. “Building and Maintaining Successful University Partnerships.”
- 12.) New Century Child Welfare and Family Support National Conference, Snowbird, Utah, September 16-19, 2000. Child Welfare and University Partnerships. (with R. Smith and V. Yates).

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