

# Prevention Connection

April 2008

## Legislature Enacts Income Tax CAP Checkoff; Budget Bill Retains CPPC and SAP Funding

On April 9, the Iowa Senate enacted legislation ([SF2124](#)) establishing a new income tax checkoff for child abuse prevention (CAP). The proceeds from the checkoff, which will first appear on 2008 tax forms, will benefit the [Iowa Child Abuse Prevention Program](#) (ICAPP). An estimated \$70,000 in checkoff proceeds will be available for distribution in ICAPP grant awards in state fiscal year 2010.

The support of several legislators was critical to the passage of this bill:

- Rep. [Wayne Ford](#) and Sen. [Joe Bolkcom](#), who filed the original checkoff legislation
- Reps. [Pam Jochum](#) and [Geri Huser](#), who supported a key amendment
- Sens. [Staci Appel](#) and [Jeff Danielson](#) and Rep. [Art Staed](#), who were bill floor managers

Legislation enacting the budget for health and human services has been filed but still has several steps remaining before enactment. Included in the legislation is continued funding for the Community Partnerships for Protecting Children (CPPC). The legislation also contains the additional \$200,000 in funding for ICAPP sexual abuse prevention (SAP) programs, first enacted by the 2007 legislature.

Anyone wishing more legislative information or wishing to join PCA Iowa's legislative advocacy network can write Stephen Scott at [sscott@pcaiowa.org](mailto:sscott@pcaiowa.org).

## PCA Iowa Seeks New CBCAP Program Manager

Christy Thies, PCA Iowa's Program Manager for the Community Based Child Abuse Prevention program, has accepted a job elsewhere and will be leaving us on April 25. We are sad to see her go but wish her the best of luck in her new endeavors.

PCA Iowa is now seeking a new manager for the CBCAP program. The full job announcement will be posted on our website, [www.pcaiowa.org](http://www.pcaiowa.org). Contact Steve Scott ([sscott@pcaiowa.org](mailto:sscott@pcaiowa.org); 515-244-2200) to apply.

## Conference Updates

### Early Bird Registration Ends

Early bird registration has ended for Prevent Child Abuse Iowa's 2008 child abuse prevention conference, "Strengthening Families to Protect Children." There are very limited spaces available! If you are interested in attending,

## Dates to Remember

ICAPP 3 <sup>rd</sup> quarter reports due	April 10
PCA Iowa Annual Conference	April 21-22
ICAPP proposals due ( <i>postmarked</i> )	April 30
ICAPP proposals due ( <i>delivered</i> )	May 2
CPPC statewide meeting	May 12
CPPC regional meetings	
Coralville	June 10
Denison	June 11
Ames	June 12

please contact Tina Wierschke directly at 515-244-2200 or [twierschke@pcaiowa.org](mailto:twierschke@pcaiowa.org).

Discounted room prices at the hotel are also gone. Other hotels in the area that might have rooms still available include:

Country Inn & Suites	515-223-9254
Heartland Inn	515-226-0414
Sleep Inn	515-270-2424

As in past years, we will be at the hotel on Sunday evening to register those of you arriving that night. We look forward to seeing you all April 21 and 22! Please contact Amber Russell ([arussell@pcaiowa.org](mailto:arussell@pcaiowa.org), 515-244-2200) if you have any questions.

## Free Prize Drawing for CAP Month Activities

Prevent Child Abuse Iowa will again be holding a raffle drawing at the conference for a free video gift and gift certificates from InJoy Videos. To enter the drawing, please bring with you a printed description of your 2008 child abuse prevention month activities and any available materials. If you have activities that have not been completed by the conference, please include them as "planned activities." We are especially interested this year in hearing how the Pinwheels for Prevention campaign is going in your local communities.

You can also e-mail a list of your CAP month activities to Amber Russell ([arussell@pcaiowa.org](mailto:arussell@pcaiowa.org)), and your name will be entered into the contest. The drawing will be held following the closing keynote on Tuesday, April 22. You must be present to win.

## BeautiControl Spa Services

A consultant with BeautiControl spa products will be at the hotel on Sunday and Monday evenings of the conference to provide complementary 45-minute spa treatments to attendees. 10% of the purchase price of any products you choose to purchase will be donated to Prevent Child Abuse Iowa. There are limited spaces available. Spa times are Sunday, April 20 at 5PM and 7PM and Monday, April 22 at 5PM and 7PM. If you

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are interested in attending, please contact the consultant, Jennifer Creekmur, at [runningcreek24@yahoo.com](mailto:runningcreek24@yahoo.com).

## **CPPC Statewide Meeting**

You are invited to attend the CPPC statewide meeting, May 12, at the Johnston Public Library (see address below). Carrie Fitzgerald from the Child and Family Policy Center will give us guidance and direction in story writing/telling and in understanding the power of collecting stories. This hands-on training will give each participant an opportunity to take a story and craft it for use with legislators, funders and the community. Lunch will be on your own. The training will begin at 9:30 a.m. After lunch, break out groups will focus on different CPPC projects happening around Iowa: Youth Initiatives, Parent Partners, Circles of Support and a special networking time for those using pinwheels for child abuse prevention month. Please contact Carol Schroeder, CPPC Associate Coordinator, at 515-244-2200 or [cschroeder@pcaiowa.org](mailto:cschroeder@pcaiowa.org) to answer any questions.

Upcoming CPPC meeting dates include:

- May 12<sup>th</sup> CPPC Statewide Meeting 9:30-3:00  
Johnston Public Library, 6600 Merle Hay Road,  
Johnston, Iowa
- May 13 CPPC Executive Committee Meeting 9:00-  
2:30  
Urbandale Public Library, Urbandale, Iowa
- June 10 CPPC Regional Meeting 9:30-2:30  
Grantwood AEA, Holiday Road, Coralville, Iowa
- June 11 CPPC Regional Meeting 9:30-2:30  
Cronk's Corner Café, Denison, Iowa
- June 12 CPPC Regional Meeting 9:30-2:30  
Mary Greeley Hospital, Ames, Iowa

## **ICAPP Third Quarter Reports Due**

Iowa Child Abuse Prevention Program (ICAPP) third quarter reports are due April 10. The year-to-date information provided on these reports is used by grant reviewers in making funding decisions for FY 2009. It is important that we receive accurate and timely information about your progress through the third quarter of FY 2008. Please send your reports to Tina Wierschke (e-mail [twierschke@pcaiowa.org](mailto:twierschke@pcaiowa.org) or FAX to 515-280-7835).