RESMIYE ORAL, MD
Professor of Pediatrics & Director of the Child Protection Program, University of Iowa
Resmiye Oral is a professor of pediatrics who is a board-certified expert in child abuse pediatrics. She has completed her child abuse pediatrics fellowship at Ohio-State University and is currently working as the director of the Child Protection Program at the University of Iowa Children’s Hospital, Iowa City, Iowa. She has published numerous articles in Child Abuse and Neglect. She became involved with child abuse and neglect in 1993 and established the first multidisciplinary child abuse and neglect follow-up team in Turkey, her country of origin. She wrote a book and three book chapters on child abuse for Turkish physicians. She also co-authored two training kits published by Ohio State University on physical and sexual abuse. Her interests are international systems building to address child abuse and neglect, drug endangered children, shaken baby syndrome, and early intervention with child abuse to prevent severe and usually irreversible consequences of abuse including fatality. In order to do that, she believes that recognition of subtle findings of abuse is of utmost importance, which calls for training of all professionals involved with child abuse. She gives 50-60 lectures a year to medical and non-medical professional audiences on child abuse and neglect to regional, national and international audiences.

LISA BENDER, LMSW
Child Abuse Prevention & Treatment Program Manager, Iowa Department of Human Services (IDHS)
Lisa has been with the Iowa Department of Human Services (IDHS) since 2010. Prior to her position with IDHS Lisa spent more than 10 years working for various non-profit and government organizations. Lisa has knowledge and experience working in child welfare/justice (prevention and treatment), supportive/transitional housing, community development, non-profit management, public policy, higher education, and academic research. Lisa completed both her undergraduate and her Master's degrees in Social Work from the University of Iowa, School of Social Work. In 2006 Lisa was awarded the University of Iowa, School of Social Work's Director's Award for "Outstanding MSW Graduate", recognized for her scholastic achievement, leadership, and service contributions.

GINA BUTTERIS, MD
Medical Director, St. Luke’s Child Protection Center
Dr. Gina Butteris received her medical degree from the University of Iowa College of Medicine in 1997. She trained in Family Practice at the Cedar Rapids Medical Education Foundation and became board certified in Family Practice in 2001. In 2000, she joined the Mt. Vernon Family Practice Clinic where she practiced until 2008. Dr. Butteris joined the medical team at the St. Luke's Child Protection Center in 2004 and in 2008 she took a full time position there. In January of 2009 she was appointed medical director of the Child Protection Center. She continues to work in Family Practice at the Westside Urgent Care in Cedar Rapids as well.

Dr. Butteris has received extensive training in the area of child maltreatment through mentoring with Dr. Kathleen Opdebeeck and attending training and conferences at both the regional and national level on an annual basis. She also sits on several councils including the Child Protection Center Multi-disciplinary team, the State Child Protection Council and the St. Luke's Child Protection Center Advisory Board. In 2011, she helped establish the Linn County Child Death Review Team and the Iowa chapter of the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children.
Christine O’Connell Corken, JD  
*First Assistant, Dubuque County Attorney’s Office*

Christine O’Connell Corken graduated from St. Louis University with a JD in 1977. She was an Assistant State’s Attorney in Monroe County, Illinois from 1977 through 1980 and an Assistant State’s Attorney in Jo Daviess County, Illinois from 1981 through 1984. In 1984 she became an Assistant Dubuque County Attorney, currently First Assistant. Corken is primarily responsible for sex abuse, homicide and criminal child abuse cases. Corken has been an Adjunct Professor at Loras College, Dubuque, Iowa, in the Criminal Justice Department for the past twelve years. She currently represents the Iowa Prosecuting Attorneys Association on the Iowa Medical Examiner Advisory Board and is a member of the Iowa Supreme Court Attorney Grievance Commission. Corken is on the Steering Committee for the Iowa DEC and is Chairperson of the National DEC Criminal Justice Working Group. She is married to Dan Corken. They have six children.

Vincent J. Felitti, MD  
*Clinical Professor of Medicine, University of California  
Co-Principal Investigator of the Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) Study*

Dr. Felitti is a 1962 graduate of the Johns Hopkins Medical School. He is an internist who, subsequent to being Post Surgeon at the US Army Pine Bluff Arsenal, completed his training at Johns Hopkins and the University of Maryland and started as an infectious disease physician in 1968 at Kaiser Permanente in San Diego and then in 1975 founded the Department of Preventive Medicine; he served as the Chief of Preventive Medicine until 2001. In that setting, Dr. Felitti became co-Principal Investigator, with Robert F. Anda MD at the Centers for Disease Control, of the Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) Study, ongoing collaborative research between the Kaiser Permanente Medical Care Program and the CDC. The ACE Study with its more than sixty publications explores prospectively and retrospectively in a 17,000-person cohort the profound relationship of ten categories of adverse life experiences in childhood to health, well being, disease, and death decades later.

Under Dr. Felitti’s leadership over the years, the Department of Preventive Medicine provided comprehensive, biopsychosocial medical evaluation to assess the health risks and disease burden of over one million individual adults. Major health-risk abatement programs were developed for obesity, smoking, and stress, as well as population-based screening for the genetic disease, Hemochromatosis. He is Clinical Professor of Medicine at the University of California and a Fellow of The American College of Physicians. He is Senior Editor of The Permanente Journal and on the International Editorial Board of the Swiss medical journal, Trauma und Gewalt. Dr. Felitti has served on advisory committees of the Institute of Medicine, the American Psychiatric Association, and on the Committee of the Secretary of Health and Human Services for Healthy People 2020. Presently, he is a member of the Advisory Committee on Women’s Services at SAMHSA.

Clinton Gudmunson, Ph.D.  
*Assistant Professor, Department of Human Development and Family Studies, Iowa State University*

Dr. Gudmunson teaches courses on research methods and family policy. His research focuses on family stress and family well-being across the life course. His work related to adverse childhood experiences seeks to explore individual and family-related factors that may promote resiliency in the face of adversity.

Teresa Huizar  
*Executive Director, National Children’s Alliance*

National Children’s Alliance, headquartered in Washington, D.C., is the national association and accrediting body for 783 Children’s Advocacy Centers in the U.S. and abroad. These centers provide comprehensive services to child victims of abuse, including forensic interviews, victim advocacy, medical evaluations, and mental health treatment. Children’s Advocacy Centers coordinate the multidisciplinary team as it carries out its investigative, prosecutorial, and treatment functions. In 2012, Children’s Advocacy Centers served over 286,000 child victims of abuse, and provided child abuse prevention education to more than 500,000 individuals. Prior to her tenure with NCA, Ms. Huizar served as the Executive Director of the Western Regional Children’s Advocacy Center, a technical assistance and training center for two hundred Children’s Advocacy Centers and multidisciplinary teams in twelve Western states.
Ms. Huizar has a special interest in public policy in the child welfare arena, especially, in reducing child abuse fatalities and in the provision of trauma-focused, evidence-supported mental health treatment to child victims of abuse. She has testified before Congress on child abuse issues twice. And, she has conducted and participated in numerous child abuse-related Congressional briefings. Ms. Huizar has been interviewed by CNN, WSJ, USA Today, New York Times, Washington Post, Fox News, NPR, and numerous other media outlets, on child welfare policy matters.

Ms. Huizar has served on numerous related Boards and Committees over the years. She is currently a member of the Advisory Board of the National Child Traumatic Stress Network, NCTSN's Sexual Abuse Workgroup, and the Steering Committee of the National Coalition to End Child Abuse Deaths.

Teresa Magalhães, MD, PhD
Professor of Forensic Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, Porto University (FMUP), Portugal
Teresa Magalhães graduated in Medicine from the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Porto (FMUP) in 1986 and obtained her specialization in Forensic Medicine in 1994, concluding her PhD in Social Medicine in 1997 and her aggregation in Medical Sociology in 2004, at FMUP. She was appointed Director of the North Branch of the National Institute of Legal Medicine of Portugal (INML) in 2001, and since 2007 is vowel of the INML board.

She has been the Director of the Department of Legal Medicine and Forensic Sciences of FMUP since 2003 and Chair Professor since 2004. She has organized the Doctoral Program and the Master Program on Forensic Sciences at the University of Porto, a post-graduate course in post-traumatic bodily harm evaluation, and accredited continuing education courses on child abuse and forensic interview. She is also a professor at the Biomedical Sciences Institute "Abel Salazar," the Criminology School of the Law Faculty at the University of Porto, and the Law School and Psychology Faculty of the Portuguese Catholic University at Porto. She is the delegate from Portugal at the European Council of Legal Medicine and the President of the Portuguese Association for the Study of Child Abuse and Neglect (SPECAN).

Suzanne Mineck
President, Mid-Iowa Health Foundation
With more than 15 years of experience in the field of philanthropy, Suzanne Mineck is a recognized expert in non-profit leadership and fund development. Her work with the Mid-Iowa Health Foundation is multifaceted. This organization is a private, grant-making foundation with the mission to serve as a catalyst and partner to improve the health of vulnerable people in greater Des Moines. Mid-Iowa Health Foundation has been dedicated to helping lead the Iowa ACEs project, which is currently focused on inspiring and educating leaders across a variety of disciplines at both the state and local level, on the ACEs study, the impact of toxic stress on children's developing brains and the links to lifelong health and societal issues, and consideration for policy and practice changes that can benefit Iowans. Prior to joining the Mid-Iowa Health Foundation in 2010, she held positions at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, the University of Iowa, and the University of Memphis.

Laurie Nash, MA
Director, Johnson County Empowerment/Early Childhood Iowa Area (JCE/ECIA)
Laurie Nash is the director of Johnson County Empowerment/Early Childhood Iowa Area (JCE/ECIA). JCE/ECIA is a state initiative to empower individuals and their communities to achieve desired results to improve the quality of life for children ages birth – 5 years and their families. JCE/ECIA works within the local community to support safe and nurturing families, secure and nurturing early education environments, and children ready to succeed in school.

Ms. Nash graduated from the University of Iowa with a bachelor's degree in psychology and a master's degree in the Early Childhood Unified Program, with certification in both early childhood 0-8 and special education. As part of her coursework, she studied abroad at Lancaster University in England and Universidade do Rio de Janeiro in Brazil. Prior to becoming director of JCE/ECIA in 1999, Ms. Nash taught in preschool and Head Start classrooms, provided in-home counseling to young children and their families through the Des Moines Child & Adolescent Guidance Center, and piloted the Healthy Steps for Young Children program at the University of Iowa Children's Hospital. Ms. Nash was a member of Iowa's ABCD II Healthy Mental Development panel and is currently the chairperson of Prevent Child Abuse – Johnson County and a member of the Community Partnerships for Protecting Children Shared Decision Making Team.
GEORGE NIKOLAIDIS, MD, PHD
Head of Department of Mental Health and Social Welfare, Institute of Child Health, Greece

George Nikolaidis was born in Patra, Greece in 1969. He studied Medicine and Psychiatry. He was awarded with a PhD thesis on “Morbidity Hypodigm and Medical Care in Greece: the correlation of their parallel development”, an MSc degree in "Philosophy of Mental Disorder" from KCL, University of London and an MA degree in "Psychoanalytic Studies" from University of Sheffield. His scientific interests include a range of issues involving Public Health Sciences, Epidemiology, Health Policy and Politics, Methodologies of Quality Assessment of Health Services, Epistemology and Philosophy of Health Sciences, Philosophy of Psychopathology, Psychoanalytic Theory, Studies on the phenomena of Violence and Death and Methodology of Research. Accordingly, he has published monographs and articles in Hellenic or international scientific journals as well as delivered a number of presentations in scientific conferences on the aforementioned topics. He has participated as a Trainer in various health promotion training programs regarding issues like child abuse and neglect and domestic violence, social inequalities, mental health reform and rehabilitation, epidemiology and health policies and methodology of public health sciences. He also teaches in post graduate Master's Degree Programs in the Hellenic National School of Public Health, topics including violence against children, domestic violence, the relation between gender and violence, and the course "Philosophy of Health and Related Sciences".

Currently, he is involved as a Scientific Coordinator or Main Researcher in various Research, Training and Clinical Programs related to child protection, violence and epidemiology. He previously worked in health services of the Hellenic N.H.S. and mental health structures of psychosocial rehabilitation practicing clinical psychiatry. Since September 2005 he has been the Head of the Department of Mental Health and Social Welfare as well as the Centre for the Study and Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect at the Institute of Child Health in Greece.

GARY ROSENTHAL, MD
Director, Institute for Clinical & Translational Science (ICTS), University of Iowa

Dr. Rosenthal is a Professor of Internal Medicine and Health Management and Policy and Director of the University of Iowa Institute for Clinical and Translational Science (ICTS), which houses the University’s CTSA. The ICTS serves as the central point of efforts to promote translational science and train new investigators and brings together faculty from 11 University of Iowa colleges. Dr. Rosenthal also currently directs the VISN 23 PACT Demonstration Lab at the Iowa City VA Medical Center. He previously served as director of the Division of General Internal Medicine (1998-2010) and the K30 Clinical Research Training Program (2003-07) at the University of Iowa and as the director of the Center for Access and Delivery Research and Evaluation (2004-11) and the National Quality Scholars Fellowship Program at the Iowa City VA Medical Center. Dr. Rosenthal is the author of 150 peer reviewed publication that have focused on three related areas: 1) development of metrics for quality of care and provider performance; 2) identification of variations in health care delivery; and 3) the design of innovative strategies to improve health care quality and safety. Within these areas, his work has involved the secondary analysis of large health care databases and practice-based randomized trials. He has also pioneered several novel approaches to quality measurement, including a program to evaluate hospital quality on a regional level—Cleveland Health Quality Choice—that still serves as a national model. Dr. Rosenthal has received external funding from the VA, NIH, AHRQ, HRSA, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Commonwealth Fund, Donald Reynolds Foundation, Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation, and Ohio and Iowa Departments of Health. He is also an accomplished mentor, as indicated by the 14 career development awards his mentees have collectively received from the NIH, VA, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, and American Heart Association. On a national level, he is a former President of the Society of General Internal Medicine (2010-2011) and Association of Chiefs and Leaders of General Internal Medicine (2005-06) and has chaired several national research advisory committees.

DESMOND K. RUNYAN, MD, DrPH
Professor of Pediatrics, University of Colorado School of Medicine

Dr. Runyan joined the University of Colorado in 2011 as the Executive Director of the Kempe Center and the Jack and Viki Thompson Professor of Pediatrics at the University of Colorado School of Medicine. Prior to moving to Colorado, Runyan was the chair of the Department of Social Medicine and a professor of both Social Medicine and Pediatrics at the University of North Carolina. Runyan completed a BA at Macalester College and the MD, MPH, and a pediatric residency at the University of Minnesota. He was a Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholar and earned a doctorate in public health at the University of North Carolina. Dr. Runyan has provided medical care for child abuse victims since 1981. He helped found the Center for Child and Family Health-North Carolina, a joint UNC, Duke University and
North Carolina Central University center for child abuse and neglect service and research. Runyan has conducted research into many aspects of maltreatment and services including physical abuse and neglect, sexual abuse, Munchausen Syndrome By Proxy, and Shaken Baby Syndrome. He founded and directed a multi-site longitudinal study of the consequences of child abuse in the United States which is in its 22th year, founded a research collaboration in 5 developing countries; and developed a state-wide abusive head trauma prevention program that has educated the parents of more than 500,000 children. He has served as a consultant for WHO, UNICEF, CDC and the International Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect.

Zeynep Sofuoglu, MD, PhD
Training Coordinator, Izmir 112 Emergency Medical Services
Dr. Sofuoglu is an AAHD Board Member and graduated from medical school in 1991. She got her PhD in Occupational Health in 2003 (dissertation thesis: Emergency and Disaster Preparedness of Workplaces in an Organized Region in Izmir, Turkey) and her MSc degree from Karolinska Institute in 2006 (dissertation thesis: Safety Behaviours and The Occurrence of Injuries in Workers in Izmir, Turkey). She was also a psychodrama leader in 2001 (dissertation thesis: Preparing Paramedics for the Scene). Dr. Sofuoglu was the national scientific coordinator of 2 collaborative European Union 7th Framework projects; Human Behaviours in Emergencies and Disasters: A Cross Cultural Investigation (BESUCO) and Balkan Epidemiological Study on Child Abuse and Neglect (BECA). ICAST-CH and ICASS-P questionnaires were used for 3% of 11, 13 and 16 years pupils in 3 cities in Turkey. Currently she is working for Izmir 112 Emergency Medical Services as training coordinator. She developed training programs concerning detecting and reporting CAN cases in prehospital emergency medical services.

Betul Ulukol, MD, MPH
Professor of Social Pediatrics, Ankara University (AU) Medical School
Betul Ulukol got her master's degree in Epidemiology at Hacettepe University and then received her medical degree from AU. She completed her residency in pediatrics at AU Medical School. Since 2005 she has been the director for both the division of Social Pediatrics and the Child Protection Unit at AU Medical School Hospital. Child abuse, neglect and trafficking, domestic violence, child development and child protection are among her main interests. She is a leader in Turkey in professional education to increase professional awareness of and skills in child abuse and neglect as well as organizing efforts to increase public awareness of this important public health issue. She teaches courses on child maltreatment and child protection in the AU post-graduate Social Pediatrics Master's Degree Programs.

Ulukol has been a consultant for the Ministry of Health since 2008 to establish a network of child protection centers for multidisciplinary response to sexually abused children in Turkey. She has been most instrumental in providing scientific and professional guidance to the government in the implementation of the first pilot nine Child Protection Centers, which will be expanded to a network of 29 in the following few years. In order to establish and maintain an inter-ministerial higher council for this project, she has been counseling multiple ministries such as Ministries of Health, Family and Social Politics, and Justice in addition to many parliamentarians on the protection of children from sexual, physical, emotional abuse, trafficking and neglect.

She is currently the President of the Society of Child and Information Safety, an NGO with the mission of protection of children from abuse and providing cyber safety from child pornography and trafficking. She is also member of a network of NGOs partnering with ECPAT International to fight the exploitation and sexual abuse of children in Turkey.

Debra B. Waldron, MD, MPH
Director, Division of Child & Community Health, Dept. of Pediatrics, University of Iowa Children’s Hospital
Dr. Waldron is the Director and Chief Medical Officer of the Child Health Specialty Clinics and oversees the University Of Iowa Center For Child Health Improvement and Innovation. She is a board certified pediatrician specializing in children with special healthcare needs and has extensive experience in public health and clinical systems development. She serves as the President of Iowa Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics and is involved with many projects and committees for the AAP at the state and national level.

Dr. Waldron currently leads efforts in Iowa to integrate innovative concepts of community based systems building into the state's child health system. She is a Professor in the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Iowa Carver College Of Medicine. She provides linkages to the multiple entities across Iowa who are stakeholders in early childhood systems (e.g. Iowa Medicaid Enterprise, Iowa Department of Public Health’s Title V program, Iowa Department of Education, federally qualified health centers, primary care and specialty practitioners, and most importantly—children, youth, and families.)
Dr. Naeem Zafar is Associate Professor of Pediatrics Medicine at Rashid Latif Medical College in Lahore, Pakistan. He is founding President of PAHCHAAN (Protection and Help of Children Against Abuse and Neglect), a non-profit organization working for the rights of the child. He is also Convener of Child Rights Committee, Pakistan Pediatric Association (PPA).

Previously, Dr. Zafar has been General Secretary of the Rising Sun Educational and Welfare Society for Mentally Handicapped Children, General Secretary and Vice President of Pakistan Pediatric Association (Punjab), a member of the Punjab Provincial Commission for Child Welfare and Development, and a member of the Working Group against Child Sexual Abuse (WGCSA).

He has many national and international studies on health and child protection issues and has organized National Child Rights Conferences of PPA in 2010 and 2000, and supported many other conferences on Child Rights and International Biennial Pediatric Conferences. He has read papers in many international and national conferences of Pediatrics and Child Protection.

Dr. Zafar has authored training manuals for early detection and case management of child abuse cases for health professionals, teachers and service providers, and trained more than 1500 health care professionals on the subject. He established first Hospital Child Protection Unit in South Asia, at Children Hospital Lahore for managing Child Abuse cases. He was given the ISPCAN (International Society for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect) Multidisciplinary Global Award for his innovative work in 2006. He has been awarded SMK Wasti Gold Medal for meritorious services for the children of Pakistan by Pakistan Paediatric Association.

His current projects include creating a system for optimum management of abused children, giving a second life to homeless, destitute children, promoting awareness on child protection issues to youth and children, as well as creating a holistic model for protection of children at home.