## Supporting Children after Crisis and Loss – One Year Later Thursday, September 27, 2018

As the first anniversary of the 1 October concert shooting in Las Vegas approaches, many children are still having reactions to the tragic events. The anniversary and media coverage may cause children to experience fear, anxiety and other feelings they felt at the time of the shooting, or remind them of the loss or injury of someone they knew or loved. Strong emotional reactions can occur even in children who have not experienced significant difficulty over the last year. In addition, attention to one crisis often reminds children of other difficulties in their lives—whether they be past events, ongoing challenges, or concerns about futures losses or crises.

Drawing on over 30 years' experience in providing support in the aftermath of tragedy, David J Schonfeld, MD, the Director of the **National Center for School Crisis and Bereavement (SchoolCrisisCenter.org)**, will offer practical advice and answer questions about what we all can do to offer support to children in times of crisis and loss, as well as how to prepare children for the one-year anniversary of 1 October.

Representatives from the Vegas Strong Resiliency Center, Clark County School District and Adam's Place (A Grief Center for Children and Families) will be present to answer questions and provide information about local resources for families. This event is coordinated by the Nevada Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP). For more information or questions: info@schoolcrisiscenter.org.

To register for the Morning Session: <a href="https://1-october-anniversary-morning-session.eventbrite.com">https://1-october-anniversary-morning-session.eventbrite.com</a>
To register for the Evening Session: <a href="https://1-october-anniversary-evening-session.eventbrite.com">https://1-october-anniversary-evening-session.eventbrite.com</a>

## David J Schonfeld, MD, FAAP – Speaker

Dr. David J Schonfeld is a developmental-behavioral pediatrician and director of the National Center for School Crisis and Bereavement (NCSCB). He has authored more than 100 scholarly articles, book chapters and books, and has given more than 1,000 presentations on the topics of crisis and loss relating to children. He has provided consultation and training on school crisis and childhood grief in the aftermath of numerous school and community crisis events and disasters within the United States and abroad, including providing advice to Clark County public schools and private schools in Las Vegas after the 2017 concert shooting.

## **Program Details**

Morning Session 10:00a-12:00p

Clark County Government Center Commission Chambers 500 South Grand Parkway Las Vegas, NV 89155

Admission is complimentary.

Evening Session 5:30p-7:30p

New York Life 6325 South Rainbow Boulevard Suite 400 Las Vegas, NV 89118

Admission is complimentary and includes hors d'oevres and refreshments at a reception prior to the presentation (which will begin at 6:00p). Parking is free on-premises.

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