## DAY THREE- WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29, 2022- 2:00 PM

## Exploited and At-Risk Youth in the Nation's Capital: Insights from the Clinic

## **Session Description:**

Katherine Deye, MD, is an attending child abuse pediatrician at Children's National Hospital, where she is the Co-Founder and Executive Director of the CAREs Clinic, which provides specialized, comprehensive, trauma-informed medical and mental health care to exploited and at-risk youth in the Nation's Capital. In this talk, Dr. Deye gives an overview of the physical and mental health consequences of exploitation and describes how the CAREs Clinic staff focus on fostering youths' decision-making and agency to act as an ally on their journey out of trafficking. Partnering with the dynamic DC Human Trafficking Multidisciplinary Team and other essential community-based service providers allows a well-coordinated, comprehensive response that is individually tailored to each youth's needs. Finally, Dr. Deye discusses the challenges of identifying trafficked youth in the healthcare setting and some barriers encountered while providing care to these youth.

## **Bio:**

**Katherine Deye MD, FAAP** is a Child Abuse Pediatrician at Children's National Hospital (CNH) and is an Assistant Professor of Pediatrics at the George Washington School of Medicine & Health Sciences. She is the founder and executive director of the CAREs Clinic at CNH, a medical home for trafficked and at-risk youth that received demonstration project funding in 2018 from the Office of Victims of Crime (OVC) within the U.S. Department of Justice. In 2021, Dr. Deye was awarded a Services for Minor Victims of Sex Trafficking Grant from OVC to expand the reach and services provided by the CAREs network. She is also the pediatric medical director of the Ewing Forensic Assessment and Consultation Team (FACT) Department at the Inova Health System.

In addition to providing medical care for maltreated children, Dr. Deye teaches medical professionals, law enforcement, social workers, attorneys, and judges about various aspects of child abuse. She participates in multiple local multidisciplinary teams that respond to cases of suspected child abuse, including suspected human trafficking, and has testified as an expert witness in both civil and criminal trials. Dr. Deye has

presented both locally and nationally and has multiple publications on the topics of trafficked youth, sexual victimization of youth, and other aspects of child maltreatment.

Dr. Deye received her undergraduate degree from Princeton University and her medical doctorate from Jefferson Medical College, where she was elected to the Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honor Society and received the Edward J. Moore Memorial Prize in Pediatrics. She completed her pediatrics training at the Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, and she completed the Ewing Fellowship in Child Abuse Pediatrics at Children's National Medical Center and Inova Fairfax Hospital for Children in 2009.