



# XVIIIth ISPCAN Congress:

*“One World, One Family, Many Cultures: Strengthening Children and Families Affected by Personal, Intra-Familial and Global Conflict.”*

The Institute For Family Enrichment is proud to have been a part of the 18th International Society for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (ISPCAN) Congress. Each year the congress is held in a different country. This year Hawaii had the honor of hosting the four day conference.



Hawai'i was chosen because it is situated on the Pacific Rim and presents an ideal place to consider issues of global relevance including: culturally competent practice; migration and immigration; the impact of war and global economic conditions on children and families; sexual trafficking; the social and environmental context of child abuse; and many other relevant issues.

TIFFE hosted an booth which allowed us to network with state and international agencies. We were able to meet and share program goals and outcomes with countries such as Turkey, Tazmania, Iran, Chile, and Samoa. TIFFE was able to bring back many innovative ideas and initiatives that can be applied at a grass roots level. Overall it was a heart warming and inspiring experience to see how many nations, occupations, and individuals are dedicated to nurturing and protecting our keiki on a global level.



*Hawaii Children's Trust Fund*



*South Africa*



*Kahi Mohala*



*Turkey*



*University of Hawaii*



*Prevent Child Abuse Hawaii*



*Japan*

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# SAY Y.E.S. to Youth Empowerment Services

## TIFFE awarded new contract....

Article by: Robert Raasch, Program Manager

TIFFE was awarded a contract for Central Oahu and the District of Kona on the Big Island to implement an array of Youth Empowerment Services for youth ages 7-18 and their families facing challenges such as social and emotional pressures.

The new Y.E.S. Program places an emphasis on the process of building healthy parent-child relationships which is an integral piece for producing the next generation of healthy, responsible and self sustaining adults.

The awarding of these two contracts gives TIFFE the opportunity to re-introduce the Parent and Adolescent Nurturing Pro-

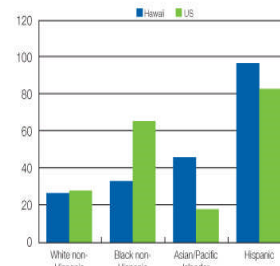
gram, the sponsorship of a TIFFE booth at a community youth day program, a TIFFE Y.E.S. Day, and the development of a Peer Interaction Coalition.

The goal is to give the attending participants the opportunity to talk with other peers their own age who are experiencing the same issues and concerns of daily "growing up".

For years adolescents were taught to "just say no" however they were never given the options to say "yes". The goal of the Y.E.S. program is to offer Hawaii's youth the option to say "YES to healthy choices."

"For years adolescents were taught to "just say no" however they were never told what they could say "yes" to....

-Birth Rates (live births) per 1,000 Females Aged 15-19 Years Old, by Race & Hispanic Ethnicity—Hawaii and United States, 2006



"Nationally, Asian/Pacific Islanders (A/PI) have the lowest teen birth rate of all reported racial and ethnic groups. However, the teen birth rate among Hawaiian A/PIs is more than twice that of the United States A/PI rate (46/1,000 in Hawaii versus 17/1,000 in the United States in 2006), and is higher than Hawaii's overall teen birth rate (41/1,000)" - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Health Statistics. VitalStats: Birth Data Files. Available at <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/vitalstats.htm>

## TIFFE IS OFFERED STATEWIDE TRAINING CONTRACT

Article by: Robert Raasch, Program Manager

The Family Nurturing Center of Hawaii has sub-contracted TIFFE to present statewide trainings to services providers on learning and building upon the Protective Factors and why it is necessary to infuse the Protective Factors in their work with parents, caregivers and their children to prevent child abuse and neglect.

Trainings will be offered to professionals, from frontline workers to supervisors and adminis-

trators statewide.

TIFFE believes that by building a knowledge base on the 5 protective factors provides a more solid foundation for family resilience.

The goal is to help all participants understand that when protective factors are incorporated into a program, they need to be reviewed, discussed and written into a workable framework that enables facilitators and participants to understand the goal or outcomes to be reached.





## Fresh New Faces



TIFFE welcomes Eric Uchihara, our new fiscal manager. Eric was raised in Kalihi, attended Kapalama Elementary and Dole Intermediate before graduating from Damien Memorial High. He served in the US Air Force at bases in North Dakota and Illinois. He received his business degree at UH Manoa. He worked in the private, non-profit and government sectors. In his spare time he goes kayaking, attends UH Warriors home games, snowboards and hangs out with his wife of nearly 2 decades and their high school son. After 7 days at TIFFE, its turning out to be the **”best place I’ve worked.”**



TIFFE is pleased to introduce Prakkay Thammass our new paraprofessional supervisor. Prakkay has been a paraprofessional with TIFFE for over 7 years and was recently offered the opportunity to co-supervise the Department of Education paraprofessionals with Vhee Agcaoili.

**TIFFE Anniversaries ♦ John Nishimoto—10 years ♦ Mandy Spencer—10 years**

## Upcoming Events & Trainings on Oahu

### Internal Trainings:

- ♦ 10/21 @ 4pm: Autism Training
- ♦ 10/27 @ 4pm: Autism Training
- ♦ 10/30 9am-3pm  
CPI Refresher (Autism)
- ♦ 11/6 9am-2pm  
CPI Refresher (CAMHD)
- ♦ 11/20 9am-2pm Learning & Movements

\*\*\*If you are interested in signing up for any of these classes please contact Raquel Aki @ raki@tiffe.org or 596-8433 ext. 121 \*\*\*

Please see the training calendar for changes and cancellations.



### External Trainings & Community Events:

- ♦ 10/8: \$10 “Coming Together As One To Nurture Our Keiki” Sponsored by Blueprint for Change. Contact 206-4810
- ♦ 10/8-10/9: \$125 “2010 Leadership Symposium & Early Childhood Conference” Contact: [http://hawaiiikeiki.org/professional\\_development.php](http://hawaiiikeiki.org/professional_development.php)
- ♦ 10/12: **FREE!** “Through the Eyes of Dyslexia Pt.1” Contact: [mhiga@dyslexia-hawaii.org](mailto:mhiga@dyslexia-hawaii.org) or 538-7007
- ♦ 10/13: “I have epilepsy: Considerations in safety, employment, & resources” Contact: [EFH@HawaiiEpilepsy.com](mailto:EFH@HawaiiEpilepsy.com)
- ♦ 10/13: “I have epilepsy: Considerations in safety, employment, & resources” Contact: [EFH@HawaiiEpilepsy.com](mailto:EFH@HawaiiEpilepsy.com)
- ♦ 11/10: “What’s new?: Treatment options for Epilepsy” Cost: TBD
- ♦ 11/13-11/14: \$95 “Introduction to Applied Behavior Analysis & Teaching Verbal Behavior in the Classroom” Contact: [donna@vbntesting.com](mailto:donna@vbntesting.com)
- ♦ 11/15-11/16: \$195 “Establishing Instructions Control w/ Children w/ Autism by Pairing w/ Positive Reinforcement & Teaching Functional Communication Skills” Contact: [donna@vbntesting.com](mailto:donna@vbntesting.com)
- ♦ 12/13: \$199 “Children with Emotional & Behavioral Problems” To register contact: [www.pesi.com](http://www.pesi.com)

\*\*\*External trainings must be approved by your supervisor **PRIOR** to attending\*\*\*