

Juli Harpell-Elam: M.A.Ed., LPC

Ms. Harpell is trained in counseling children who have experienced violence at home, in relationships, and their communities. She is currently the Coordinator of Project Prevention at Jersey Battered Women's Service, Inc. (JBWS). Her primary responsibilities include: increasing outreach, creating programs for youth considered "high risk" for dating abuse, and domestic violence. She is also extending the Dating Abuse Prevention Program (DAPP) at JBWS and community awareness programs. To help teen girls, parents, and professionals who care for kids, Ms. Harpell has developed and led groups that teach how to build healthy relationships, avoid abusive relationships, and get help. Ms. Harpell is a member of the Young Women's Action Agenda, a committee of the NJ Juvenile Justice Commission, which develops and advocates for gender specific services for girls in the juvenile justice system.

Thomas Lane: MSW, LCSW

Mr. Lane has worked in behavioral health for over 13 years. For almost seven years, he has been a Senior Clinician at Saint Clare's Hospital Center for the Protection of Children, which provides therapeutic services to abused children. He gives individual assessments and treatment for children and teenagers who have experienced sexual abuse, physical abuse, neglect, or domestic violence. Mr. Lane has performed trauma assessments and parenting risk evaluations for the Division of Youth & Family Services. He represents Saint Clare's Hospital on the Morris County Multi-Disciplinary Child Abuse Team (MDT), which provides inter-agency coordination to enhance legal, child-protective, and therapeutic outcomes for survivors of abuse and their non-offending caregivers.

JoAnn Pierce: School Social Worker

Ms. Pierce is a Resource Development Specialist at the Division of Youth & Family Services. She provides assistance to casework staff by linking & monitoring services to families in need. She has also worked as a Volunteer & Training Coordinator, recruiting, screening, interviewing and processing volunteers for six counties and 12 district offices.

Michelle Mroz: MSW, LCSW

Ms. Mroz is a Senior Clinical Social Worker at the Audrey Hepburn Children's House at Hackensack University Medical Center, where she has worked for 6 years. She meets with children who are suspected to have been emotionally, physically, or sexually abused. She gives evaluations and treatment to children and families to assess trauma related to abuse and neglect as well as individual, family, and group therapy. Ms. Mroz has participated in training programs which include: Finding Words-NJ: Interviewing & Preparing Children for Court, and Eye Movement Desensitization Reprocessing (EMDR).

Julie Roebuck: MSW, LCSW, DVS

Ms. Roebuck is the Coordinator for the Morris County Sexual Assault Center and has a private practice in Madison. She has over 19 years experience working with victims of sexual violence, domestic violence, child abuse, and child fatalities. She is involved in several committees, including: Domestic Violence Children's Sub Committee, the Sexual Assault Response Team Advisory Board, the Morris County Women's Advisory Committee, and is a Board Member of the NJ Coalition Against Sexual Assault.

Welcome

Juli Harpell-Elam (JBWS)

Topic: Domestic Violence & Children

Tom Lane (SCCPC)

Topic: Child Abuse Investigation Process

JoAnn Pierce (DYFS)

Topic: Signs & Symptoms of Child Abuse

Michelle Mroz (AHCH)

Topic: Parenting Techniques & Medical

Treatment Options

Julie Roebuck (MCSAC)

Topic: Adult Survivors of Childhood Abuse

Closing

Optional individual counseling with Tom, JoAnn, MSM staff