Children’s challenging and troubling behaviors are frequently the focus of interventions rather than recognizing them as externalizations of inner pain and distress. Beyond surface management lie the keys to understanding, reaching, and teaching young people who desperately need the guiding light that a well-trained, caring adult can provide. The Art of Kid Whispering is the pathway to discovering the inside kid. Learning and practicing listening and decoding skills are essential to understanding the private logic and goals that underlie a young person’s difficult or self-defeating behavior.

Participants in this 2-day training will examine the impact of trauma and disappointment on our youth. Defiant youth outwit adults with strategies of fight, flight, and fool. The presenter will describe how to understand the private logic of adult-wary youth, thus helping participants to decode their troubling behavior and begin replacing hostile, resistant encounters with respectful alliances.

About the Trainer

Mark Freado is Director of the International Training Network for CF Learning, a program of Cal Farley’s in Amarillo, TX. Freado’s 40-year professional career encompasses contributions to the mental health field, public education, social services, program development, leadership, consultation, and training. He is a master trainer of Life Space Crisis Intervention (LSCI), and has trained more people in this skill-based course than anyone in the world. He is also a senior trainer of Developmental Pathway Assessment, a senior trainer of Three Pillars of Transforming Care: Helping Kids Who Hurt, and a certified trainer of Situational Leadership II with the Ken Blanchard Company. Freado has worked with private providers, public agencies, and schools throughout the United States as well as Canada, Europe, Australia, South Africa and Asia, speaking, consulting and delivering training services. He specializes in program development, leadership skills, and interventions for at-risk and disadvantaged children, adolescents, and their families. Freado holds a master’s degree in Forensic Psychology from the Chicago School of Professional Psychology, a master’s degree in Counseling from West Virginia University, and a bachelor’s degree in Psychology and Political Science from Westminster College in Pennsylvania.
Daily Schedule
8:30 am - 4:30 pm (lunch provided)

Optional University Credit
Participants can enroll for graduate workshop credit in either Psychology or Special Education. Registration forms will be provided at the training. A course syllabus will be available on the CF Learning website (www.cflearning.org). There is a $300 USD tuition fee (for 3 credits) in addition to the training registration fee. Payment for credit is made to CF Learning and given to the instructor onsite at the training. Credit is offered through CF Learning and Augustana University, a fully accredited, 4-year university located in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, USA.

Workshop Site and Accommodations
Harbour Towers Hotel & Suites
345 Quebec Street, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada V8V 1W4
Phone: 1-800-663-5896 Website: www.HarbourTowers.com
Room rates:
$120 CAD, standard room, residential view; $129 CAD, queen, ocean view
$139-$169 CAD, king suite; $195-$220 CAD, multi-room suite
Group: CF Learning
Deadline for hotel rate: March 19, 2017
Harbour Towers Hotel & Suites is a 12-story, 4-Star, 3-Diamond hotel conveniently located in Victoria's downtown Inner Harbour, ideally situated close to downtown shopping, dining, and activities.

All participants are responsible for their own transportation. Taxi service is available throughout the city. Shuttle service is also available from the Victoria Airport to the hotel via “The Airport Shuttle” (tickets available at kiosk by baggage carousels). The cost is approximately $20 CAD (one way). Estimated travel time is 45 minutes.

Registration Fees (includes two-day workshop, training materials, and lunches)
All fees are listed in US Funds.

- Standard Fee: $395 per person
- Group Discount Rate: $375 per person (for groups of 4 or more; must be submitted together and pre-paid)
- Early Bird Discount Rate: $385 per person (payment must be received by February 1, 2016)

Note: Pre-registration and pre-payment are required for all events. Purchase Orders are accepted but not considered pre-payment. Registrations will be accepted based on space availability.

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