



## Valliere & Counseling Associates

Valliere & Counseling Associates, Inc. is a multi-program agency specializing in the evaluation and treatment of violence and abuse. We provide services to anyone impacted by abuse in their lives, as well as provide consultation, training, and expert witness services across the country.

Our mission is a violence free world through treatment, intervention, education, and social justice.

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**PARENTING AT RISK  
PROGRAM**



## Parenting At Risk

Parenting is complicated, as is protecting children. Often, the risks to children and challenges to parenting safely and appropriately are multi-faceted. To address only the singular issues is short-sighted and does not minimize the risks that the children face.

In order to combat maltreatment of children in a comprehensive way, Valliere & Counseling Associates has developed the "Parenting at Risk" program. This program is designed to address any issue presented by a parent that may place the child or children in question at risk for abuse, maltreatment, or neglect. These issues may include a parent's risk for –

- Violence
- Sexual Assault
- Drug Endangerment
- Medical Abuse
- Neglect (physical, medical, or psychological)
- Failure to Protect
- Abuse (physical or emotional/psychological)

There are many factors that can cause or contribute to a parent's risk to their child. Personality factors, problematic beliefs about children and parenting, drug or alcohol addiction, deviance and criminality, trauma, cognitive limitations, and skill deficits can be present, alone or in combination, to make parenting dangerous, inadequate, or damaging to the children who rely on the adult.

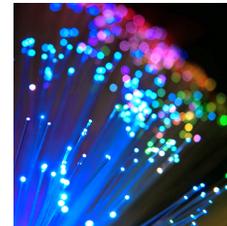
## Our Services

### Evaluations and Assessments



We offer an array of evaluations to address allegations of abuse, impact of abuse, risk to others, parenting capacity, and readiness for reunification. The evaluations can be for a parent or a child victim. Numerous referral questions can be addressed in the evaluations.

### Therapeutic Services



Individual and group therapy is available for adults who commit abusive acts or are victims of abuse or assault. We have specialized trauma focused treatment for children and adolescents, as well as treat behavioral issues in children. We offer psychoeducation for parenting skills and co-parenting issues.

### Therapeutic Reunification



Therapeutic reunification is the process by which parents who have harmed or maltreated their children or other children can be reunified with their victims or family. This reunification process follows a clinical protocol after each individual has received treatment. It is designed with healing, safety, and prevention of further maltreatment in mind.



## Why use us?

Our agency is recognized for providing treatment for trauma, abuse, and violence of all types, both for victims and perpetrators. We understand abuse. We have experience with the behaviors, beliefs, and personality factors that are pathways to abusive behavior. While we do forensic work, most abusers in and out of the home are not criminally involved. And most children impacted by abuse are not involved with child protection. Divorce, custody battles, and reunification are possible sources of trauma to children, as is psychological maltreatment, a form of abuse that is not easily identified or addressed.

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***The worst thing to do is nothing.***

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**Dr. Valliere** is a nationally recognized expert on interpersonal violence who has testified and trained across the county and internationally. She has been interviewed and quoted on national media outlets and popular magazines. She has trained and consulted with the FBI, DOD, US Attorney General's Office and DOJ regarding victims, perpetrators, and violence. She has experience with the behaviors, beliefs, and personality factors that are pathways to abusive behavior. All the clinical staff has been trained and receives supervision on an on-going basis to achieve the highest level of skill.

## Overview of Programs

### Protective Parenting



Abuse in the family is devastating. Sometimes denial, confusion, or dependence can hinder a parent's protective capacity. This program addresses these issues and provides significant education about abuse, those who abuse, and the needs of children to enhance a parent's ability to protect their child.. Individual and group therapy are offered.

### Violence Intervention/Resolve Program



Interpersonal violence results from a foundation of beliefs and values that facilitate harming others. These beliefs, as well as distortions, justifications, personality traits, and skills deficits are addressed in group and individual treatment to decrease the client's risk of abusive behavior.

### Co-Parenting Counseling/Education



Co-parenting during partnership dissolution is complicated and difficult. Managing feelings, resentments, and differing values for a child can strain even the best parents. This treatment will provide education regarding the needs of children, parenting strategies, and conflict resolution to create a parental environment best for the children.