Donald Guernsey,

Nationally Recognized Traine & Consultant for Nurturing Parenting Programs

Director of Behavioral Health at Eagle Village



Donald Guernsey has years of experience facilitating Nurturing Parenting Programs. He has facilitated both home based and group based programs. With over 20 years of experience working with youth and families in residential and home based settings, Don is very familiar with developing, implementing and evaluating Nurturing Parenting Programs in a variety of settings.

In addition to Don's experience working with Nurturing Parenting Programs, he has been a trained Wraparound Facilitator and Supervisor for 14 years, Adjunct Faculty for Central Michigan University and Grace Bible College, and Director of Behavioral Health for Eagle Village.

Don is the father of four children and has eight grandchildren. As a father and professional, Don brings his many life experiences, which are often quite humorous, into his training for enjoyable and informative sessions.

Educational Background

- MS, specializing in Marriage and Family Therapy Northern Illinois University
- B.A.A., majoring in Psychology and Family Studies Central Michigan University





WHERE POTENTIAL SOARS

Since 1968 Eagle Village has lived out the mission of helping kids and families in Michigan. We believe that stronger families ultimately mean stronger communities so we try to help families succeed in any way we can.

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With Don Guernsey, MS LMFT FSAC

For professionals working with individuals and families through group, home-based and individual services.

April 15, 16, & 17

Sessions daily from

8:30am-4:30pm

at Eagle Village located in Hersey, M



The Nurturing Parenting Programs are family based programs with a proven track record of preventing the recurrence of child abuse and neglect.

Four levels of Nurturing Programs address the specific needs of different populations:

- 1) Primary Prevention Education Programs are designed to empower individuals and families with new knowledge, beliefs, strategies and skills to make good and healthy lifestyle choices.
- **2) Secondary Prevention Intervention Programs** are designed for at-risk youth, teen parents, and families experiencing mild to moderate levels of individual and family dysfunction.
- **3) Tertiary Prevention Treatment Programs** are designed for families referred for parenting education by Social Services/Mental Health for child abuse and neglect and/or family dysfunction.
- **4) Comprehensive Programs** are designed for agencies to offer more comprehensive and long-term parenting education.

The Nurturing Program and the philosophy behind the program have successfully been utilized by:

- Home-based Service Providers
- Youth Residential Centers
- School Districts
- Mental Health Treatment Centers
- Therapist and Counselors
- Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health
- Drug and Alcohol Treatment Centers
- Child Protective Services and Foster Parents
- Dav Care Facilities
- Early Head Start/Head Start (El & ECI)

This 3-day training will cover the structure and values of this program, developing the skills and tools for using the Nurturing Program, and implementation, with special emphasis on facilitating groups and clinical services.

The philosophy of the Nurturing Program emphasizes the importance of raising children in a warm, trusting and caring environment. It is founded on the belief that children who are cared for develop the capacity to trust, care and respect themselves, others, living creatures and their environment.

This philosophy is founded on 7 principles:

- 1. Feelings of attachment
- 2. Empathy
- 3. Nurturing Oneself
- 4. Gentle Touch
- 5. Discipline
- 6. Expressing Feelings
- 7. Expectations & Self Worth

REGISTRATION FORM

Return this form along with registration fee payable to

Eagle Village 4507 170th Ave, Hersey, MI 49639

call 231-832-7293 to pay by credit card or online at eaglevillage.org/conferences-seminars/

Registration deadline is April 5

Name:
Agency:
Address:
City, State, Zip:
Phone:
Email:
Confirmation and check in details are sent via email
\$300 per person (includes lunch daily) April 15, 16, and 17 (8:30am-4:30pm) Agenda and curriculum will be available at check in.
Please choose from the following options:

For lodging at Eagle Village:

__I will arrange my own off-site lodging

__2 night stay (\$116 additional) 3 night stay (\$174 additional)

Rooms do not have televisions.

(30 minutes).

Hotel accommodations can be found in surrounding areas including Evart (15 minutes), Big Rapids (30 minutes), or Cadillac

Total Enclosed

For questions call 231-832-7293 or email counseling@eaglevillage.org