



# The Nord Center

Comprehensive Behavioral Healthcare



## “Stewards of Children” Sexual Abuse Prevention Training being offered by The Nord Center’s Kidz First Children’s Advocacy Center

The problem of child sexual abuse is devastating, but it can be prevented or reduced if adults practice simple proactive steps in caring for the children in their lives. The Nord Center has partnered with the Lorain County Children and Families Council and Darkness to Light, a nationally acclaimed non-profit, to bring its award-winning “Stewards of Children” sexual abuse prevention program to Lorain County.

“Stewards of Children” is a prevention training program that teaches adults how to prevent, recognize, and react responsibly to child sexual abuse. The program is designed for organizations that serve youth and for individuals concerned about the safety of children. It is the only nationally distributed, evidence-based program proven to increase knowledge, improve attitudes, and change child protective behaviors.

### Program Highlights:

- Facts about the problems of child sexual abuse
- Type of situations in which child sexual abuse can occur
- Simple, effective strategies for protecting children from sexual abuse
- The importance of talking about the prevention of sexual abuse with children and other adults
- The signs of sexual abuse so that you are able to intervene and react responsibly

### Training Objectives:

- Increased awareness of the prevalence, consequences and circumstances of child sexual abuse
- New skills to prevent, recognize and react responsibly to child sexual abuse
- Individual commitment to action via a personal prevention plan

For more information, or to schedule *Stewards of Children* training for your organization, contact Becky Opel at [ropel@nordcenter.org](mailto:ropel@nordcenter.org) or **440.204.4188**.



For information about Darkness to Light and the *Stewards of Children* program, visit [www.d2l.org](http://www.d2l.org).