

29th Annual La Crosse Child Maltreatment Conference
May 12-13, 2026

TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2026

8:00 a.m.	Welcome Announcements
8:15 a.m.	Victim Centered Investigations - I Carly Bentley – <i>Forensic Interview Specialist, Homeland Security Investigations</i>
9:45 a.m.	Break
10:00 a.m.	Victim Centered Investigations - II Carly Bentley – <i>Forensic Interview Specialist, Homeland Security Investigations</i>
11:30 a.m.	2026 Ken Kolb Award Presentation
12:00 p.m.	Lunch on your own
1:00 p.m.	Breakout Sessions (Choose 1) <p><u>Topic 1</u> Prepare and Present Carly Bentley – <i>Forensic Interview Specialist, Homeland Security Investigations</i></p> <p><u>Topic 2</u> Navigating Custody Related Trauma Brienne Shaker, MSW, LCSW, CFI - <i>Stein Counseling and Consulting Services, Ltd.</i></p> <p><u>Topic 3</u> “Be Here”: The Role Social Media/Cell Phones have in both Parenting and Child Development Ryan McKelley, Ph.D. - <i>University of Wisconsin La Crosse</i> Tlesia Marshik, Ph.D. - <i>University of Wisconsin La Crosse</i></p>
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4:30 p.m.	Adjourn

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2026

8:00 a.m.	Welcome Announcements
8:15 a.m.	Child Death Investigations and Doll Reenactments - I Kenneth Folkers - <i>Special Agent, Wisconsin Department of Justice</i>
9:45 a.m.	Break
10:00 a.m.	Child Death Investigations and Doll Reenactments - II Kenneth Folkers - <i>Special Agent, Wisconsin Department of Justice</i>
12:00 p.m.	Lunch on your own
1:00 p.m.	Vernon County Case Study - I Melony Hansen, MA, CSW, SAC – <i>Vernon County Department of Human Services</i> Carolynn Devine, CSW, MHA – <i>Emplify Health</i> Erin Gutowski, DO, MPH, FAAP – <i>Emplify Health</i> Marla Sutton, MS – <i>Vernon County Department of Human Services</i> JoEllen Egge – <i>Detective, Vernon County Sheriff's Office</i>
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