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More than 300 researchers from around the world -- 14 countries -- will participate in the University of New Hampshire’s annual international conference on family violence research July 9-11, 2006, at the Sheraton Harborside Hotel and Conference Center in Portsmouth.

Sponsored by UNH’s Family Research Laboratory and Crimes against Children Research Center, as well as the Institute on Violence, Abuse and Trauma in San Diego, the conference will feature ground-breaking research on family violence, Internet and child pornography, violence in military families, child maltreatment, and batterer programs.

The conference will open with a keynote speech Sunday, July 9, at 5:50 p.m. by sociologist David Finkelhor, co-director of the Family Research Laboratory and director of UNH’s Crimes against Children Research Center. Finkelhor will provide an update on his research around the decline in child victimization and abuse.

Following are some of the featured speakers:


- **Restorative Justice, Violence and Domestic Violence: What We Know and What We Don’t Know.** Lawrence Sherman, Jerry Lee Center of Criminology at the University of Pennsylvania, Monday, July 10, 1-2:15 p.m., Ballroom.

- **Ten-Year Follow-Up of a Randomized Trial for Children with Sexual Behavior Problems.** Mark Chaffin, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center. Tuesday, July 11, 8:30-9:45 a.m., Ballroom.

- **A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis of Court-Mandated Batterer Intervention Programs: Can Courts Affect Abusers’ Behavior?** Lynette Feder, Portland State University. Tuesday, July 11, 1-2:15 p.m., Ballroom.

For more information on the conference in general or other presenters and topics, visit [http://www.unh.edu/frl/conferences/2006/](http://www.unh.edu/frl/conferences/2006/).

Reporters are invited to attend any portion of the conference. Please RSVP in advance to Erika Mantz, (603) 862-1567 or erika.mantz@unh.edu