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### National Child Abuse Expert Available to Discuss Institute of Medicine Report



David Finkelhor, director of the UNH Crimes against Children Research Center.

DURHAM, N.H. – Prof. David Finkelhor, director of the University of New Hampshire Crimes against Children Research Center and a national expert on child abuse and neglect, is available to discuss the new Institute of Medicine report “New Directions in Child Abuse and Neglect Research.” The report will be released today, Thursday, Sept. 12, 2013.

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A nationally recognized expert who has published extensively in the field of child abuse treatment, prevention, and developmental victimology, Finkelhor has been studying the problems of child victimization, child maltreatment and family violence since 1977. He is well known for his conceptual and empirical work on the problem of child sexual abuse, reflected in publications such as *Childhood Victimization* (Oxford University Press, 2008), *Sourcebook on Child Sexual Abuse* (Sage, 1986) and *Nursery Crimes* (Sage, 1988). He has also written about child homicide, missing and abducted children, children exposed to domestic and peer violence and other forms of family violence. He is editor and author of 11 books and more than 150 journal articles and book chapters. In 1994, he was given the Distinguished Child Abuse

Professional Award by the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children and in 2004 he was given the Significant Achievement Award from the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers.

Created in 1998, the UNH Crimes against Children Research Center (CCRC) works to combat crimes against children by providing high-quality research and statistics to the public, policy makers, law enforcement personnel, and other child welfare practitioners. CCRC is concerned with research about the nature of crimes including child abduction, homicide, rape, assault, and physical and sexual abuse as well as their impact. Associated with the CCRC is an internationally recognized group of experts who have published numerous books and articles concerning the incidence and impact of violence against children. Visit the center online at <http://cola.unh.edu/ccrc>.

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