



## Your spring and summer update

After an eventful spring at MACA, we have much to share! We hired our new Training and Education coordinator, hosted our 8th Annual Statewide Conference, and attended and presented at the National Children's Alliance Leadership Conference.

### Welcome to MACA's new Training and Education Coordinator, Madeline Bacon

We are excited to welcome Madeline Bacon, LCSW, as our new Training and Education Coordinator! Focusing on the roll-out of our ***Recognizing and Responding to Child Abuse: Working Together to End Abuse*** training, Madeline will be working with our CACs to bring our evidence supported information to communities across the state.

Prior to joining MACA in April 2018, Madeline worked as an Intensive Foster Care Social Worker at Cambridge Family and Children's Service, providing clinical case management services to children in the Department of Children and Family's (DCF) custody. Her interest in, and passion for, the work done by CACs deepened while serving as a Family Advocate at Boulder County, Colorado's CAC, Blue Sky Bridge.

We are grateful for funding from both [Help for Children](#) and the [Northeast Regional Children's Advocacy Center](#) to support her work.



MACA's Training and Education Coordinator, Madeline Bacon, LCSW

### 8th Annual Conference

MACA hosted our *8th Annual Conference, Healing, Hope and Justice: An Advanced Conversation*. Over 300 professionals across the state gathered on May 1st to hear keynote speakers Mary Mazzio and Jessica Soto. The keynote discussed the complex case of human



trafficking victims, Jane Does, and their trials against the huge web-landing company, Backpage.com in Mary Mazzio's film [I AM JANE DOE](#).

A heartfelt thank you to our conference [sponsors and supporters](#), speakers, planning committee and all those in attendance, for making the day a success! See more photos on our [Facebook page](#).

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MACA's Executive Director, Tom King, with Board Chair, Jennifer Saniuk, and key note speakers, Mary Mazzio, filmmaker, and Jessica Soto, associate at Ropes and Gray, LLP.

## NCA Leadership Conference

Tom King, Executive Director, offered a workshop on our curriculum, *Recognizing and Responding to Child Abuse: Working Together to End Abuse*. Tom, Nicole Richardi, Executive Director of the Plymouth CAC, and Michele Mullen, Training Specialist for the Northeast Regional CAC, presented as a team at the NCA's annual Leadership Conference in Washington D.C.



MACA's Executive Director, Tom King, with Northeast Regional Training Specialist, Michele Mullen, and Plymouth CAC's Executive Director, Nicole Richardi.

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## CACs in the News

Essex CAC

[Recognized April as Child Abuse Awareness month](#), and presented the One With Courage Award to Amy Snow, a 20yr veteran victim witness advocate at the CAC.

Cape & Islands: Children's Cove

[Wraps up Six-Week "Taking a Stand for Kids" Workshop](#)

CAC of Franklin and North Quabbin

[Received \\$18,000 grant from National Children's Alliance](#) to bring Talk About Touching, an educational program, to elementary schools and received \$15,000 for Completing a Community Assessment

CAC of Norfolk County

[Hosted the annual NAC 5k Kid's Superhero Dash](#)

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We couldn't do this important work without amazing staff, partners, and supporters - like you! (To join the list of our [incredible donors](#) and support our work to end child abuse, make a donation today!)

Check out MACA's recently updated website for more information on this years successful conference, CACs and more!

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Summer is here, and for most of us, that means stocking up on all warm weather essentials! Did you know your purchases can help MACA in our work to end child abuse? It's as easy as shopping at [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) and selecting Massachusetts Children's Alliance as your charity! Gather all your summer needs while helping to end child abuse at the same time!



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