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PROFILE

Linda Liebenberg, PhD., is a leading researcher and evaluator in the field of youth wellbeing and community resilience, Adjunct Professor, Faculty of Graduate Studies, Dalhousie University and an International Research Affiliate at the UNESCO Child and Family Research Centre, National University Ireland. She is a researcher and evaluator with a core interest in children and youth with complex needs. Her work explores the promotion of positive youth development and the promotion of mental health, using formal and informal resources, primarily through the development of community resilience and related community resources. As a key component of this work, Linda reflects critically on best ways in which to conduct research and evaluations with children and their communities (including multiple service providers). These approaches include participatory methods (see for example www.youthspacesandplaces.org); sophisticated longitudinal quantitative designs (see for example <http://www.youthsay.co.nz/>); and the design of measurement instruments used with children and youth (for example the Child and Youth Resilience Measure, CYRM-28).

EXPERIENCE

Linda has developed consulting and collaborative relationships with many organizations, including:

- Save the Children, Denmark
- Public Health Agency of Canada
- The World Bank
- Institute for International Criminal Investigations
- Better Care Network
- Eskasoni Mental Health Services

SPEAKER

Linda is able to speak on the following topics:

- Spaces & places that support healthy youth development
- Community resources & social connections for mental health promotion
- Preventing or reducing youth involvement with crime & gangs
- Community & individual resilience promoting resources
- Effective service provision for positive youth development

CONSULTANT

Linda is able to consult on the following:

- Research & evaluation initiatives & design
- Resilience promoting initiatives
- Funding & dissemination writing
- Knowledge translation & mobilisation

EDUCATOR

Linda is able to provide workshops and symposiums on:

- Image-based elicitation methods (including photo & video elicitation)
- Participatory action research (including PhotoVoice)
- Qualitative Data Analysis (including in a PAR context)
- Successful writing strategies
- Knowledge translation & mobilisation

