

AWARDS

The **SPR Sloboda & Bukoski Cup** is presented to the team winning the annual SPR Cup Competition. The SPR Cup is an opportunity for a unique experience: several independent teams of scientists, each working with the same data set prior to the conference, conducted a literature review, generated hypotheses, conducted analyses, and prepared a presentation. Teams presented their results at a special symposium during the SPR Annual Meeting. A panel of judges and audience members rated the quality of the research and the presentation.

Presidential Award



Patricia Chamberlain, PhD

*The **Presidential Award** is given to those who have made a major lifetime contribution to prevention science research.*

This year, we are pleased to present the **Presidential Award** to **Dr. Patricia Chamberlain**, Science Director at Oregon Social Learning Center. Dr. Chamberlain is currently leading an effort to implement KEEP and R3 in 10 Tennessee counties as part of In Home Tennessee, their Title IVE waiver program. Other recent work has also focused on the development of intervention models for adolescent girls in the juvenile justice and child welfare systems. In addition to working on research aimed at improving outcomes for youth and foster and biological families, she is interested in how to support child public service systems to improve the efficiency of their routine practices. She is currently involved in helping communities in the U.S. and Europe implement and scale up evidence-based interventions.

Dr. Chamberlain's interest in developing interventions for children and families emerged from her early work as

a special education teacher. She has conducted several studies on treatment for children, youth, and families in the child welfare, juvenile justice, and mental health systems. She founded the Treatment Foster Care Oregon (formerly Multidimensional Treatment Foster Care/MTFC; www.tfcoregon.com) and KEEP (www.keepfostering.org) intervention models. TFCO is an alternative to group, residential, and institutional placement for youngsters with severe antisocial behavior and mental health problems. KEEP provides enhanced support and training to state foster and kinship parents to prevent placement disruptions, improve reunification rates, and reduce child behavioral and emotional problems. TFCO and KEEP are being widely implemented throughout the United States and in Europe (see www.tfcoregon.com and keepfostering.org).

Dr. Chamberlain has been the Principal Investigator on 9 randomized trials examining the efficacy of parent mediated intervention approaches. A current area of focus is on implementation research which examines what it takes to integrate and scale-up evidence-based practices in to real world agencies and systems. Most recently, she led an effort to implement linked evidence-based practices, including KEEP and PMT, in the New York City child welfare system involving over 300 case workers and supervisors serving over 2,000 children and families (CSNYC).