

Welcome to the Ray E. Helfer Society



The Ray E. Helfer Society, founded in 1999 and named in honor of Dr. Ray E. Helfer, was originally established as an honorary society of physicians seeking to provide medical leadership regarding the prevention, diagnosis, treatment and research concerning child abuse and neglect. It has grown to be the primary sub-specialty society for physicians devoted to the problem of maltreated children. Members are encouraged to login and visit the Member Center to take advantage the Society's benefits. Non-members are encouraged to browse through this site and, if applicable, consider membership in our organization.

Our Vision

Children will thrive in a society that values them.

Our Mission

To help prevent and reduce the harm resulting from child maltreatment, by advancing the work of physicians in the areas of education, clinical care, research and advocacy.

Announcements and Updates

Society Hosts Pre-Conference Institutes This January

The Ray E. Helfer Society will host two Pre-Conference Institutes in conjunction with the San Diego International Conference on Child and Family Maltreatment, Jan. 25-26, 2020. **Pre-registration is closed,**

but you can still register on-site in San Diego beginning January 25 at Noon for *Abusive Head Trauma - Diagnosis, Treatment and Common Controversies* and

Introduction to the Medical Evaluation of Child Physical Abuse

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[this link](#)

for details.

Registration is Now Open for the 2020 Annual Meeting

The Society will host it's Annual Meeting April 19-22, 2020, in in San Diego, California. Select [this link](#)

for details and registration

2020 Job Fair

In conjunction with it's 2020 Annual Meeting, the Society will be hosting a Job Fair from Sunday, April 19 through Tuesday April 21. Select [this link](#) to download/open the application. Job Fair registration is **due April 10.**

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION: Helfer Society Announces Headquarters Relocation

Our new address is 218 Glorieta Drive, St. Augustine, FL 32095. Our phone number remains 630.359.4273.

[Donate to the Friends of the Ray E. Helfer Society](#)

Membership

Membership in The Ray Helfer Society puts you in touch with a community of physicians seeking to provide leadership to enhance the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of child abuse and neglect. The Society is named after Ray E. Helfer, a pioneer in the prevention of child abuse. Dr. Helfer, a pediatrician and educator, helped research the origins of abuse and neglect and also developed methods of detection, treatment and prevention. You can learn more about the Society by visiting the [About the Society](#) section of this web site. A brief biography of Ray E. Helfer and his efforts in the prevention of child abuse is available by selecting [this link.](#)

The organization offers several types of membership: [Scholar](#) , [Regular](#) and [Resident](#) . A membership application is available in the Scholar, Regular and Resident sections of this web site under the Membership tab.

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