

Stacie LeBlanc is the co-founder of The Up Institute and was elected the President-elect of American Professional Society of Abuse on Children (APSAC) on June 18, 2019. She is a passionate advocate for children and an attorney with a Master's Degree in Education. After 29 years of responding to child abuse first as a supervising prosecutor of a child abuse unit that maintained a 94% conviction rate and secondly as an executive director of two child abuse non-profits, the New Orleans Children's Advocacy Center and the Audrey Hepburn CARE Center, Stacie moved upstream to solve child abuse providing consultation and trainings. She has created sought after programs including Beyond Mandatory Reporting; Dear Parents; Teens, Sex, and the Law; and Painless Parenting. Stacie has provided over 750 interactive trainings for more than 53,500 individuals focused on translating research into successful practice. Stacie has published books for families and articles on the benefits, evaluation, and implementation of No Hit Zones. Stacie chairs the National No Hit Zone Committee for the National Initiative to End Corporal Punishment and serves on the National Review Board for the US Catholic Bishops. She has received numerous awards including Outstanding Prosecutor, FBI Director's Community Leadership and Champion for Children for successfully passing 11 legislative bills. Beyond family and pets, Stacie's greatest joy is inspiring undergraduates with a highly-rated ACEs CAST course at Tulane University.