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News Release

The following has been authorized for immediate release to the public. Any requests for additional information should be made to the Executive Director.

Event:	Selected to National Board on Policy for Opioid Use and Child Maltreatment for the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children (APSAC)
CEC Representatives	Stephanie Kurilla, MA, LPC
	Jessica Large, MA, Ed.S, LPC, ACS

The Center for Evaluation and Counseling, Inc. (CEC) is proud to announce that Stephanie Kurilla, MA, LPC and Jessica Large, MA, Ed.S, LPC, ACS have been selected to serve on the Policy Analysis Committee regarding Opioid Use and Child Maltreatment for the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children (APSAC).

Ms. Kurilla has been employed at CEC since 2008. She is a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) in the State of New Jersey. She graduated from John Jay College of Criminal Justice with a Master of Arts (MA) degree in Forensic Psychology and a Master of Arts degree in Forensic Mental Health Counseling. Ms. Kurilla has been working in the field of child abuse and neglect for over ten years, and has extensive training and experience working with trauma, severe and persistent mental illness, co-occurring disorders, and forensic assessments.

Ms. Large has been employed at CEC since 2010. She is both a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) and an Approved Clinical Supervisor (ACS) in the State of New Jersey. She graduated from Seton Hall University with a Master of Arts (MA) degree in Counseling and Psychological Studies and an Educational Specialist (Ed.S) degree in Mental Health Counseling. Ms. Large has extensive education, training, and experience in the areas of child abuse and neglect, trauma, severe and persistent mental illness, co-occurring disorders, and forensic assessments.

Both Licensed Professional Counselors underwent an exhaustive application and interview process to be selected as subject experts to participate in the Policy Analysis Committee. The committee is comprised of

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professionals in various fields such as law enforcement, mental health, and medicine. Both Ms. Kurilla and Ms. Large are looking forward to bringing their invaluable knowledge and experience to this committee in order to help effect change for the youth and families served by CEC.

CEC is extremely proud to make this announcement as APSAC is a nonprofit, national organization focused on meeting the needs of professionals engaged in all aspects of services for maltreated children and their families. Especially important to APSAC is the dissemination of state-of-the-art practice in all professional disciplines related to child abuse and neglect. APSAC's mission is to improve society's response to the abuse and neglect of its children by promoting effective interdisciplinary approaches to identification, intervention, treatment, and prevention of child maltreatment.

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