

Lucinda Ann Lee Rasmussen, Ph.D., LCSW

Brief Bio

Lucinda Ann Lee Rasmussen, Ph.D., LCSW is an Associate Professor at the School of Social Work at San Diego State University, where she has taught social work practice classes for the past 24 years. She has over 35 years of clinical and research experience in the field of child sexual abuse, with emphasis on youth with sexual behavior problems and sexually abusive behaviors. Dr. Rasmussen's research focuses on risk assessment of sexually abusive youth and effects of trauma, including sexual abuse and domestic violence. She developed the Trauma Outcome Process Assessment (*TOPA*) model, a practice model for assessing and treating traumatized children, youth and adults. She completed the first longitudinal predictive validity study (6 years) applying the two most contemporary risk assessment tools for sexually abusive youth *MEGA*⁺ and the *JSORRAT-II* on youth in residential care and is currently completing a 13-year longitudinal study on that sample. Dr. Rasmussen is Senior Research Consultant on the *MEGA*⁺ Risk Assessment Tool International Project, assisting in *MEGA*⁺ specialized trainings in England, Scotland, and Ireland, and in several states in the United States. Beginning in 2002, she has presented various workshops in Israel and consulted at various times with Israeli child sexual abuse agencies. Dr. Rasmussen was a Visiting Professor at the University of Haifa in 2010 while completing a University Sabbatical.