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#### Foreword

July 7, 1962 was a typical warm and sunny Denver summer day; the temperature reached 91°F, it was clear, dry, and only slightly windy. There was no outward clue that a massive tectonic plate shift was occurring that would eventually have an impact in all corners of the world and on the lives of billions of children. The epicenter was in Denver; Henry Kempe, Fredric Silverman, Brandt Steele, Henry Silver, and William Droegemueller together published an article in the Journal of the American *Medical Association* that day describing a survey of 71 hospitals and a second survey of 77 district attorneys asking about inflicted trauma in children (Kempe et al. 1962). As described in this volume, they were not the first to describe the problem, the credit for the first medical description is given to a French article published in 1860 (Tardieu 1860). Their article was not even the first US article; Caffey (1946), Woolley and Evans (1955), and others had published about intentional trauma inflicted on children. The problem of child abuse had been attended to in the western hemisphere as early as 1929, a Colombian physician, Jose Martinez, described abuse of children and linked this abuse to subsequent delinquency (Villaveces and DeRoo 2008). But what Kempe with his colleagues did was simple and elegant. As Kempe described it in his 1971 article in the Archives of Diseases of Children: "I coined the term 'The Battered Child Syndrome' in 1962 despite its provocative and anger-producing nature. I had for the preceding 10 years talked about child abuse, non-accidental, or inflicted injury but few paid attention" (Kempe 1971).

Abraham Bergman's chapter in this volume describes the blind eye that allowed child abuse to be misdiagnosed in the finest hospitals in the country before 1962. Dr. Kempe's turn of a phrase was a powerful stimulus and a lesson in packaging for all of us. Reporting laws followed in every state and in many countries. Active efforts at assessment and surveillance of the problem followed first by individuals and then by states and countries. Dr. Kempe described an "extended" syndrome and estimated the occurrence at 6 per 1,000 children or 0.6%. Population surveys of parents in the USA put the rate at nearly 10 times the rate of his estimate (Theodore et al. 2005) and the rates in some slum communities in low-income countries appear to be 4–10 times higher than the USA! (Runyan et al. 2010)

Dr. Kempe was more than awareness and numbers. While his call for universal home visiting with lay visitors may have underestimated workloads and need, Daro in this volume describes how his work advocated for a system of home visiting combining universal services and mentoring of parents. His early suggestions led to the nurse-family partnership model and other home visiting efforts. As described in this volume, his work lead to examination of the intergenerational patterns, of parental psychopathology, and of interventions.

Dr. Kempe's European roots showed with his embracing of the home visiting approach but even more in his other efforts to draw European attention to child abuse. Kempe organized a conference in Bellagio that led to the founding of the International Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect. The tectonic plate shift that he and his colleagues triggered can be observed in other ways as well. As Jaap Doek indicates in this volume, Kempe's work led to the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child and a mechanism for monitoring it. The UN General Assembly mandated an international study of violence against children that resulted in a dramatic international report in 2006. Evidence was compiled that no country was immune to child abuse and all countries were challenged to develop responses and interventions. Data on child abuse and abuse and about child protective services have been added to the data countries must report periodically as signatories to the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Yet another area of impact has been on science and the evolution of knowledge. Until Dr. Kempe and colleagues wrote their article, there was no MESH heading on child abuse at the National Library of Medicine. Now, there are over 31,500 articles in the medical literature tagged with that MESH heading. A National Center on Child Abuse and Neglect has come and gone, and federal research dollars at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the National Institutes of Health have been expended to support research into the origins, treatment, and prevention of child abuse. A new subspecialty in pediatrics, child abuse pediatrics, was founded in 2009 after pediatricians following in Dr. Kempe's footsteps made the case to the American Board of Pediatrics that the body of knowledge and expertise was wide and deep enough to merit clinical specialists.

Dr. Kempe turned public attention to a hidden problem, child sexual abuse, in 1977 when he published what was to have been a speech at the American Academy of Pediatrics. Dr. Jones, in this volume, describes both the article and its impact on the field. Another testament to the power of a careful and prescient publication, systems, and organizations for the prevention and treatment of child sexual abuse have grown up all over the world, and we now have new understanding and expertise in measurement, treatment, and prevention. More importantly, the number of cases of child sexual abuse is convincingly falling. Not a bad legacy for a speech that was not actually delivered as a speech.

As the reader will note, among the discussions of the science that Dr. Kempe led or initiated in this volume, the development of laws and multidisciplinary teams, and his leadership in pediatrics and at Colorado, there are descriptions of a remarkable man, leader, and father. Annie Kempe describes a careful and engaged father and how he came to be the leader he was. Gail Ryan describes a man who knew the power of food and made sure that a child serially punished for picking apples had apples available to him. The challenge of this volume, and the challenge of the man, is how to do better. Dr. Kempe was a scientist, a physician, and leader. I think he would be proud of what he started but joins us in being impatient; impatient with government leaders, impatient with funders, and impatient with providers. His vision of founding a center that provides clinical care, mental health care, support, research, and advocacy lives on. We are challenged to do our best to make his family, his department, his university, his center, and his patients proud.

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Professor Doek was a founding member of the International Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (ISPCAN), board member (1976–1992), president (1982–1984), and vice president for developing countries (1984–1992). He was also involved in the creation of Defence for Children International (DCI; 1979) and established the Dutch Section of this organization (1984). Professor Doek was a member of an ISPCAN/DCI working group on child labor and the board of the International Association of Juvenile and Family Court Magistrates (1982–1986).

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### **Chapter 1 Introduction: Opening the Conversation**

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Fifty years ago, pediatrician C. Henry Kempe and his colleagues began a conversation. While not the first to point to the insults and assaults suffered by children at the hands of those responsible for their care and nurturance, the energy, commitment, and single-mindedness with which C. Henry Kempe pursued the needs of maltreated children powerfully shaped, and continues to influence, the field of child maltreatment.

With this book, and the series it initiates, we hope to engage the next steps in this conversation about maltreated children, their families, and their communities. The chapters in this book point us to where we have been with a clear eye to both the positive directions and the challenges emanating from Dr. Kempe's legacy. Subsequent volumes, most notably *The Handbook of Child Maltreatment* (forthcoming, Springer), will address ways the field can move forward.

The impetus for this volume came at the 18th biannual meeting of ISPCAN in Honolulu in 2010. Many of us have come to take for granted the frequent references to Dr. Kempe and his work, particularly at the meetings of ISPCAN, an organization founded by Dr. Kempe. The editor for our new Springer series, *Child Maltreatment: Contemporary Issues in Research and Policy*, Myriam Poort, however, found it striking how many speakers began their talks with a reference to Henry Kempe, and how their work grew from his. At this conference in Honolulu, talks began by noting that someone had met Henry Kempe at a meeting, or in an airport, and it had left a lasting impression.

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We have oriented this book around four of C. Henry Kempe's publications. These publications were chosen to represent his core contributions to the field: "the battered child;" prevention of child maltreatment; child sexual abuse; and international and cultural perspectives. We then invited those who had known, worked with, or worked contemporaneously with Dr. Kempe to contribute chapter commentaries on the legacies of his work emanating from one of these papers. We could not locate everyone we hoped to find, and some of Dr. Kempe's colleagues are deceased. Each of the four parts has a brief introduction to set the stage for the chapters.

To begin the book, we asked one of Dr. Kempe's five daughters, Annie Kempe, to provide a more personal viewpoint of this very private but also very public person. On behalf of her four sisters, Annie Kempe's contribution, based on her book *A Good Knight for Children: C. Henry Kempe's Quest to Protect the Abused Child* (2007) sets the stage for how the personal and professional coalesced. A second chapter in this first part, by Gail Ryan, also exemplifies Dr. Kempe's both personal and professional commitment to providing a safe environment for abused children and their families.

The first of Dr. Kempe's papers we selected for this volume was the obvious choice. Dr. Kempe and colleagues' "The Battered Child Syndrome" (1962) is the classic paper in the field that coined the term and brought public and professional attention to the issue. It is likely the most widely cited paper in the field. A Google Scholar search (December 29, 2011) yielded 2,455 citations since its publication. Fifty years later, it is common to see this paper used as validation that child abuse exists as a significant problem that must be addressed. The chapters in Part II, and the brief introduction preceding them, consider the legacy of this paper, the strides forward it made possible, and the challenges it posed.

Part III begins with Dr. Kempe's Ambulatory Pediatric Association's George Armstrong Lecture published as "Approaches to Preventing Child Abuse: The Health Visitors Concept" (1976). This paper brought together Dr. Kempe's endless energy and commitment to doing something about a problem with his background in infectious disease that led to his interest in preventing maltreatment in addition to treating cases that occurred. The four responding authors in this part include one of the lead researchers from Dr. Kempe's first early identification and prevention project, and three leaders in the field who continue Dr. Kempe's early momentum to prevent maltreatment.

Part IV's lead paper, "Sexual Abuse, Another Hidden Pediatric Problem: The 1977 C. Anderson Aldrich Lecture" (1978) was a vehicle for Dr. Kempe to insist that attention be paid by the medical world to the then emerging issue of child sexual abuse. Dr. Kempe was not the first to write about child sexual abuse, but as the introduction and three chapters in this part demonstrate, he recognized the devastating impact that sexual abuse could have on children and pursued an agenda that included bringing research, treatment, and policy considerations to this issue.

Finally, Part V begins with Dr. Kempe's brief editorial in Pediatrics, "Cross-Cultural Perspectives in Child Abuse" (1982). Twenty years after the publication of the landmark battered child paper, Dr. Kempe took the opportunity to point out to his medical colleagues the importance of cultural and international perspectives in understanding and responding to child maltreatment. The five chapters in this part illustrate the worldwide impact of child maltreatment work that can be traced to Dr. Kempe, and in particular, his founding of The International Society for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect and its flagship journal, *Child Abuse and Neglect: The International Journal.* As this part indicates, the inclusion of "international" in both the society and journal names was fully intentional to broaden the scope of child maltreatment work to encompass the world's children.

The bookends for this volume are a foreword by the current director of the Kempe Center, Dr. Desmond Runyan, and a bibliography of Dr. Kempe's publications on child maltreatment.

This book, then, reflects on the conversation about child abuse that C. Henry Kempe began in 1962. We hope that this volume affords an opportunity for a focused reopening of this conversation. In the intervening 50 years, there has been a virtual explosion of research on child maltreatment, making a multitude of important advances. Yet, the "field" is at a point of needing to step back and reassess, as many of the chapters in this current volume suggest. Forthcoming books in the series will assess not only where we are, but where we need to go to continue this conversation stemming from the legacy of a truly remarkable advocate for the well-being of children.

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