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*****Vignettes, speakers to highlight child abuse conference.

The multi-faceted problem of child abuse will be the subject of a conference, sponsored by the Mental Health Associations of Dallas and Fort Worth counties. The conference will be held in the Tom and Lula Gooch Auditorium February 26 and 27.

Dr. Ray E. Helfer, considered an international expert in the field of child abuse, will be the principal speaker. Dr. Helfer is now professor of the Department of Human Development, College of Medicine, Michigan State University.

Vignettes, produced for the conference by the Dallas Theater Center, will be moderated by Dr. Helfer and the other featured speakers. The sketches will follow the abused child through the emergency room, hospital social work, child protection, law enforcement and judicial procedures.

The program has been developed to educate people working within the system as well as concerned citizens on how to recognize child abuse and what to do once the suspected abuse is confirmed.

Speakers representing the center will be Guido Currarino, M.D., professor of Radiology; Jorge Howard, M.D., professor of Pediatrics; Robert Kramer, M.D., associate professor of Pediatrics.

Tuition for the conference is \$25 per person and includes luncheon on February 26. For further information contact 1976 Child Abuse Conference, Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex, 2500 Maple Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75201.

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