The influence of professional self-efficacy on recognising and responding to child abuse and neglect presentations in the ED

#### Safe Children Vietnam

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#### Presentation overview

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## Safe Children Vietnam - background

A collaboration between
Children's Hospital 2, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam and
Sydney Nursing School at the University of Sydney, Australia









#### What is Safe Children Vietnam?

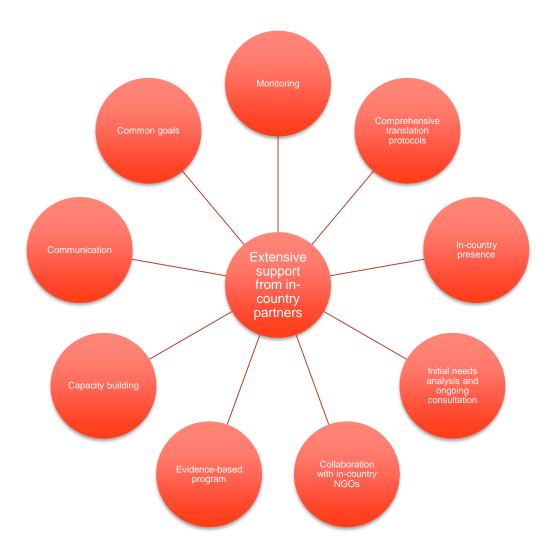
A multi-modal training program to improve the recognition and response to

child maltreatment presentations in the ED

- Training workbook
- Child Injury Screening Tool
- Poster presentations
- Clinical training
- 2-day Training the Trainers workshop
- Animated video (Shaken Baby Syndrome)



### How was it done?



# Needs analysis and extensive consultation

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In-depth interviews with senior medical staff from Emergency Department,
 Outpatients Department and Psychology Department

Focus groups with nurses and doctors from Emergency Department and

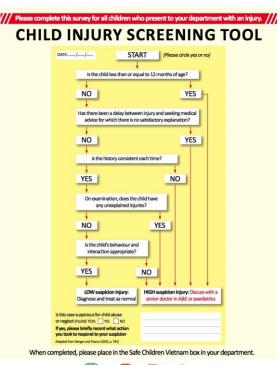
**Outpatients Department** 



# **Shared goals**

# Shared goals of improving outcomes for victims of child maltreatment, and building the capacity of clinicians in the hospital

- Implementing a child maltreatment training program
- Developing and piloting a Child Injury Screening Tool
- Building partnerships with community organisations
- Improving professional self-efficacy of clinicians
- Building capacity for research development and participation









# **Translation protocols**

#### Comprehensive translation protocols and sensitivity to cultural differences

- Evidence-based translation protocols
- All participant information and consent forms fully back-translated
- Training conducted in Vietnamese
- Evaluation measures translated to Vietnamese
  - Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Self-Efficacy (CANRSE)
  - Child abuse and neglect questionnaire for health professionals
  - Shaken Baby Prevention tool

## Why target Professional Self-efficacy?

- Bandura's 1986 theory of self-efficacy has been used extensively in Public Health research for several decades
- Application of the theory to professional practice and professional behaviours has gained momentum as more is understood about the influence of personal beliefs on one's ability to perform work confidently
- Lee (2007, 2008, 2012) developed CANRSE, a new test to measure professional self-efficacy in relation to child abuse and neglect response
- Safe Children Vietnam Project was an opportunity to test the properties of the measure in a Vietnamese sample
- At the same time to test the effectiveness of clinical training on improving professional self-efficacy

## CANRSE Child abuse and neglect reporting self-efficacy

- A questionnaire developed in Taiwan by Dr Pei Yu Lee
- Based on the theory of self-efficacy
- The CANRSE questionnaire is comprised of 3 scales and 9 subscales
- These are
  - Efficacy-expectation for suspected cases
    - Prioritise my workload
    - Colleague support
    - Confidence to report
  - Efficacy-expectation for known cases
    - Prioritise my workload
    - Colleague support
    - Confidence to report
  - Outcome-expectations
    - Child benefit
    - Family benefit
    - Faith in services

#### **Methods**

- HREC approval gained from both the hospital and the University of Sydney ethics committees
- A sample of 127 VN doctors and nurses working in a tertiary paediatric hospital ED, OPD and Burns units participated
- A pre test-post test design was used to evaluate the clinical training programme and test the research measures adapted for VN
- A six-month follow up assessment was made using the same research measures

## Internal consistency of the VN version

|             | Scale                      | Cronbach's alpha |
|-------------|----------------------------|------------------|
| Total items |                            |                  |
|             | Efficacy-expectations (s)  | 0.97             |
|             | Efficacy-expectations (kn) | 0.98             |
|             | Outcome –expectations      | 0.96             |

## Convergent validity of the VN version with General SE

|             | Scale                      | GSE   |
|-------------|----------------------------|-------|
| Total items |                            |       |
|             | Efficacy-expectations (s)  | 0.482 |
|             | Efficacy-expectations (kn) | 0.406 |
|             | Outcome –expectations      | 0.580 |

## Criterion-related validity of the VN version

The VN version of CANRSE was tested for validity against the question "How likely would you be to report this case" measured on a scale from 1 to 10 for each of four vignettes developed for the VN version

Each vignette was based on a case of physical, sexual, emotional, abuse or neglect of a Vietnamese child

The vignettes were used to test a number of knowledge, skills, and attitudes outcomes

### Criterion-related validity of the VN version (cont)

- Average scores of the likelihood to report for all 4 vignette cases used
- The ability to predict likelihood to report abuse and neglect cases was demonstrated
- "Outcome expectations" accounted for the highest percentage of the variance in reporting CAN cases in the VN sample
- This was not the case for the Lee et al. (2012) sample which found "Colleague support to report known cases" the strongest in a sample of Taiwanese nurses

#### Evaluation results – did it work?

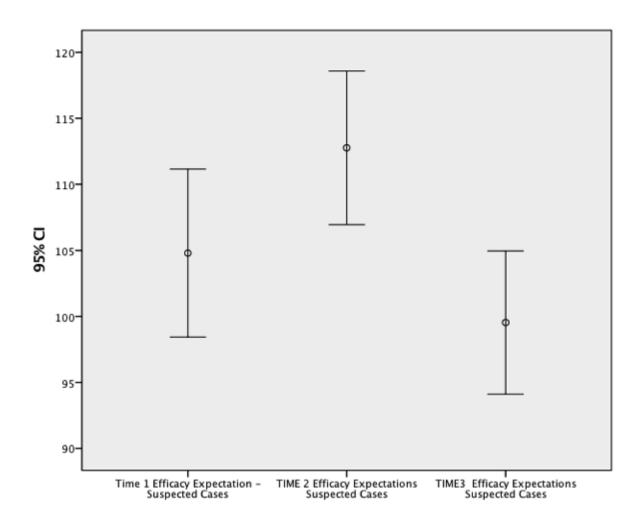
- Overall the results indicate that for most of the measured outcomes there
  was a statistically significant improvement in knowledge and intentions
  between the pre and post test measures
- These improvements were lost at the 6 month follow up
- This was also true for professional self-efficacy as follows:

## **Efficacy Expectations and CANRSE**

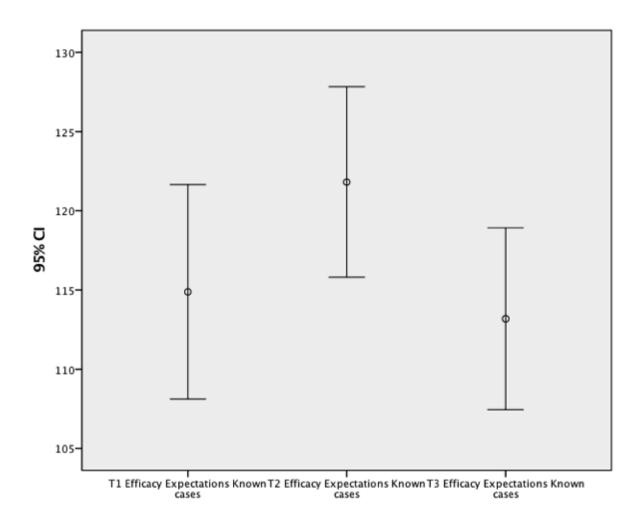
- 16 items (questions) measured efficacy expectations to create 4 subscales
  - I am confident that I can prioritise my workload to report CAN
  - I am confident that I will receive my colleague's support
  - I am confident that I can seek the opinion of others to report CAN

I am confident that I can report CAN

## Results - Efficacy Expectations (Suspected cases)



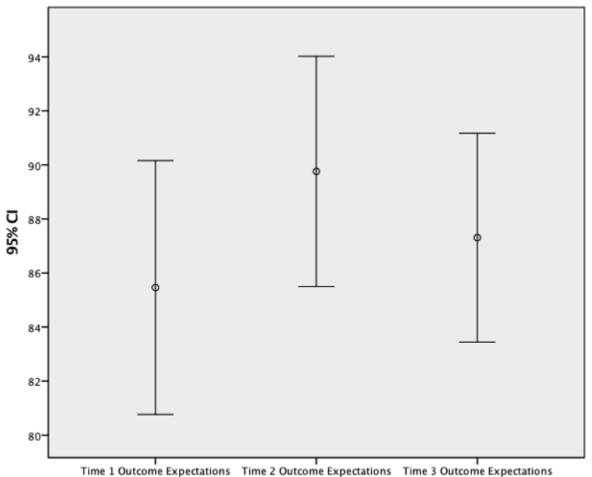
## Results - Efficacy Expectations (Known cases)



## **Outcome Expectations and CANRSE**

- 12 items (questions) measured efficacy expectations to create 3 subscales
  - I am confident that to report CAN is in the child's best interest
  - I am confident that to report CAN is in the family's best interest
  - I am confident that children's services will respond to a report of CAN

# Results - Outcome Expectations



#### **Conclusions**

- Improvements in professional self-efficacy can be achieved through clinical training
- For longer term sustainability of outcomes, more work is needed
- Professional self-efficacy can now be measured using the VN version of CANRSE



## **Questions?**

