“What Happens When There is No Village...?”

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The traditional African proverb “It takes a village to raise a child” is based on the belief that children have the best ability to become healthy adults if the entire community takes an active role in contributing to the rearing of their children. Building on that concept, 20 years ago First Lady Hilary Rodham Clinton wrote the book It Takes a Village: And Other Lessons Children Teach Us, emphasizing that the choices about how we raise our children and how we support families will determine how our nation will face the challenges of this century. The communities and neighborhoods in which many children live in Rochester are riddled with crippling poverty, unemployment, family disruption, and underachieving schools, precluding the formation of a supportive “village”.

In Rochester, we are fortunate to have a facility that serves as a “village” for families in crisis. The only program of its kind in New York State, the Crisis Nursery of Greater Rochester is dedicated to providing safe, professional and temporary care to children during family crises. This presentation will highlight the Crisis Nursery as a public health intervention within a social service context. The positive ripple effect of having such services available in community will be explored. Audience participation is expected in the discussion that will ensue, with a focus on how to bring this model to scale across the Rochester region and regionally.

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Helen Wood Hall Auditorium
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

Assorted wraps will be available while supplies last. Bring your own beverage.

ASL interpreters will be present.
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