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December 30, 2010

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

On behalf of the Staff of the Specialized Docket Section, we would like to thank everyone who participated in our meetings, attended our workshops, read these newsletters and learned at our annual conference this past year. We wish everyone a happy and healthy new year and look forward to offering similar opportunities in 2011 to everyone interested in supporting specialized dockets in Ohio.

CONGRATULATIONS!

The Staff of the Specialized Docket Section would also like to recognize **Doug Stephens**, Director of the Judicial & Court Services Division of the Ohio Supreme Court, on his retirement. Today is Doug's last day with the Court. He leaves the Judicial Branch after 29 years of service to Ohio courts, including 21 years in various positions here at the Supreme Court of Ohio. We thank Doug for both his leadership of our Division and his support of our Section.

2011 ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON SPECIALIZED DOCKETS MEETING DATES

The 2011 *Advisory Committee on Specialized Dockets* meeting dates are scheduled as follows:

January 28, 2011
April 15, 2011

All meetings are from **10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** at the Ohio Judicial Center.

For directions to the Court, please visit our [website](#).

2011 ACMIC MEETING DATES

The 2011 *Advisory Committee on Mental Illness and the Courts (ACMIC)* meetings are scheduled as follows:

March 7, 2011

All meetings are from **1 p.m. to 3 p.m.** in the Judicial Education Center at the Ohio Judicial Center.

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NEWS

'FAKE POT' USE, SALE, POSSESSION TO BE FELONY

Now that chemicals used to make synthetic marijuana have been declared illegal by federal officials, Wood County Prosecutor Paul Dobson said Tuesday that he intends to charge persons who use, possess, or sell the "fake pot" products with felonies. Effective Dec. 24, the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration temporarily declared five chemicals used to make products sold as Spice, K2, Blaze, and Red X Dawn as controlled substances that are considered unsafe, highly abused substances with no medical usage. The products typically were marketed as incense but in many cases were ingested like marijuana and gave the user a marijuana-like high. [More...](#)

GROUP TO SUE IF CITY TIGHTENS SEX OFFENDER RULES

Officials of a nonprofit law firm in Cincinnati on Wednesday said they will file suit in federal court if the Greenville City Council passes an ordinance extending residency restrictions to the point it makes Greenville virtually off limits for registered sex offenders. The council on Tuesday is to hear the first of three readings on a proposal to prohibit sex offenders from living within 1,500 feet of any school, preschool, daycare center, library, park or playground, up from the statewide restriction of 1,000 feet. [More...](#)

FUNDING

FY 2011 JUSTICE AND MENTAL HEALTH COLLABORATION PROGRAM GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR STATE AND LOCAL PROGRAMS

The Bureau of Justice Assistance, U.S. Department of Justice, has released its Fiscal Year 2010 solicitation for the Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program (JMHCPC) grant applications. The program, reauthorized by the Mentally Ill Offender Treatment and Crime Reduction Reauthorization and Improvement Act of 2008, promotes coordination among criminal justice, juvenile justice, mental health, and substance abuse agencies.

The deadline for applications is February 3, 2011, at 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time. To download the solicitation, please [click here](#). To download application FAQs, please [click here](#).

NATIONAL COOPERATIVE DRUG DISCOVERY AND DEVELOPMENT GROUPS FOR THE TREATMENT OF MENTAL DISORDERS, DRUG OR ALCOHOL ADDICTION – NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

ELIGIBILITY: Nonprofit Organizations; Small Businesses; Public and State Institutions of Higher Education; Others

DEADLINE: February 24, 2011

FULL ANNOUNCEMENT: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-08-238.html>

The purpose of the National Cooperative Drug Discovery and Development Group Program is to create multidisciplinary research groups or partnerships for the discovery of pharmacological agents to treat and to study mental illness, drug or alcohol addiction.

GENERAL YOUTH FUNDING

Deadline: Rolling

Summary: Most of the work the Annie E. Casey Foundation supports takes the form of multi-year, multi-site, foundation-based projects. However, the foundation, which focuses on helping vulnerable and at-risk children, youth and their families, does not discourage interested organizations from submitting letter of inquiry when looking for grants. Founded in 1948, the primary mission of the Foundation is to foster public policies, human-service reforms, and community supports that more effectively meet the needs of vulnerable children and families. It is the 15th largest private foundation in the United States, with assets of more than \$3 billion, and ranks 20th in the nation for charitable giving.

Website: www.aecf.org

REDUCING EXPOSURE TO VIOLENCE IN UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES

Deadline: Throughout 2010

Website: http://www.rwjf.org/files/applications/cfp/overview_lfp_peacefulpathways2010.pdf

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Local Funding Partnerships is seeking nominations from diversity-focused funders for projects to reduce violence in traditionally underserved communities that are defined by race, ethnicity, tribe, gender, sexual identity or rural/frontier location. The Foundation is open to nonprofits, but shows a preference for diversity-focused groups. There will be eight matching grants of \$50,000 to \$200,000. Proposals may be submitted at any time throughout 2010 and will be reviewed on the following dates: September 1, 2010 and January 5, 2011.

BUILD-A-BEAR WORKSHOP GIVING PROGRAMS TO FUND CHILDREN'S HEALTH & WELLNESS; APPLICATION DEADLINE VARIES

Build-A-Bear Workshop, Inc. awards Children's Health & Wellness Champ-A-Champion Fur Kids grants twice annually to provide direct support for children in the areas of health and wellness. Grantees include childhood disease research foundations, child safety organizations, and organizations that serve children with special needs. Application deadlines are at the end of April, July, and October. Grant applications can be submitted through the Build-A-Bear Workshop Bear Hugs Foundation at <http://www.buildabear.com/aboutus/community/grants>. Organizations seeking

unrestricted support for children are also encouraged to apply for grants through the nonprofit Build-A-Bear Workshop Foundation. The foundation reviews grant applications on a rolling basis. Grants range between \$1,000 and \$10,000 each.

HUMAN AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Deadline: Ongoing

Website: www.macfound.org/site/c.lkLXJ8MQKrH/b.938141/k.FEFC/Domestic_Grantmaking

The Chicago-based John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation's Program on Human and Community Development will focus its grant-making strategies on community change and juvenile justice. The Juvenile Justice effort maintains a national scope and promotes an effective juvenile justice system that is linked to relevant agencies, is acknowledged to play a critical role in the community and is held accountable for public safety as well as the rehabilitation of young offenders. Grant award funding levels vary. Eligible applicants for the Juvenile Justice program include a variety of organizations in the United States.

PUBLIC WELFARE FOUNDATION GRANTS

Deadline: Open and rolling

Website: www.publicwelfare.org

The Public Welfare Foundation (PWF) offers \$1.5 million in grants for its Criminal Justice Program competition. Funds promote a fair and humane criminal justice system and violence prevention that includes alternatives to incarceration, effective legal representation and the reintegration of offenders as productive citizens. Proposals are welcomed from a wide range of organizations and can include both governmental and independent advocacy groups.

MCCORMICK TRIBUNE FOUNDATION COMMUNITIES PROGRAM GRANTS

Deadline: Ongoing

Website: www.mccormicktribune.org/programs.aspx

The McCormick Tribune Foundation Communities Program supports efforts to stimulate local philanthropy and improve community life through collaborative partnerships in communities nationwide. The foundation helps to support projects that address basic human needs, children and youth at risk, and community strengthening efforts.

SAMHSA CONFERENCE GRANTS

Website: http://www.samhsa.gov/Grants/conference/PA_06_001_Conference.aspx

Description: The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) accepts applications twice a year for Knowledge Dissemination Conference Grants to support sharing information on best practices and the integration of that knowledge into real world practice.

OFFICE DEPOT TAKING CARE OF KIDS AND SCHOOLS GRANTS

Website: www.community.officedepot.com/local.asp.

Description: Office Depot supports local nonprofit organizations that directly affect the health, education and welfare of children. Office Depot is accepting applications for its Taking Care of Kids & Schools Grants Program. Funds should be used to directly provide services.

WOMEN'S MENTAL HEALTH IN PREGNANCY AND THE POSTPARTUM PERIOD

Website: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-081.html>

Description: This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) solicits research project grant applications on the topic of women's mental health in relation to pregnancy and the postpartum period.

REDUCTION AND PREVENTION OF SUICIDALITY

Website: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-079.html>

Description: The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to invite grant applications for research that will reduce the burden of suicidality (deaths, attempts, and ideation).

EFFECTIVENESS, PRACTICE, AND IMPLEMENTATION IN THE CENTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES' COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES SERVICE SITES.

Website: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-091.html>

Description: The National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH), National Institutes of Health (NIH), invites research grant applications on services delivered to children, adolescents, and their families through the Center for Mental Health Services' (CMHS) Comprehensive Community Mental Health Services for Children and Their Families Program initiative (hereafter referred to as the "Children's Services Program").

ALLSTATE FOUNDATION LAUNCHES NEW DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAM

NEW WEBSITE: <http://www.econempowerment.org/>

Description: The Allstate Foundation is taking a stand. It provides resources and programs that support survivors of domestic abuse and their advocates – by addressing the issues of financial security and economic empowerment.

CALL FOR PAPERS & ARTICLES

SPECIAL ISSUE OF *VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN* ON CONTEMPORARY PERSPECTIVES ON BATTERED WOMEN'S USE OF NON-FATAL FORCE IN INTIMATE HETEROSEXUAL RELATIONSHIPS: A CONTEXTUAL APPROACH

Violence Against Women is seeking manuscripts for a special issue on contemporary perspectives regarding battered women's use of non-fatal force in their intimate heterosexual relationships.

Submissions from a variety of disciplines are encouraged including, but not limited to: social work, psychology, philosophy, cultural studies, sociology, law, anthropology, and criminology. Submissions may be empirically based (but do not need to be), and themes may include (but are not limited to): domestic violence, women in prison, criminalization of women's behavior, probation experiences, legal system strategies, and/or historical as well as cross-cultural analyses. Manuscripts that include innovative strategies in work with women from communities of color and other marginalized groups are of particular interest. **Submission Deadline: January 7, 2011** Manuscripts should not exceed 30 double-space pages, including tables, references, and notes. Authors should email their manuscripts to: Lisa Young Larence, at llarance@csswashtenaw.org

FY 2011 JUSTICE AND MENTAL HEALTH COLLABORATION PROGRAM APPLICANT WEBINAR

The Council of State Governments Justice Center is pleased to announce an upcoming webinar sponsored by the Bureau of Justice Assistance: **FY 2010 Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program Applicant Webinar**. The webinar will provide an overview of the Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program and the recently released FY2011 solicitation for potential applicants. Bureau of Justice Assistance staff will discuss program eligibility, the required application materials, and other important information and resources.

Presenters: Rebecca Rose, Substance Abuse/Mental Health Policy Advisor, Bureau of Justice Assistance

Chris Casto, Technical Application Support, Bureau of Justice Assistance

January 10, 2011; 2:00-3:15 p.m., Eastern Standard Time

To register: <https://justicecenter.webex.com/justicecenter/onstage/g.php?t=a&d=646369274> his webinar requires registration. Please use the participant's e-mail address, to which a sign-in password and instructions will be sent. A confirmation e-mail from WebEx with additional details will also be sent upon successful registration. For inquiries about this webinar or the webinar series, please contact Shawn Rogers at the Justice Center at srogers@csg.org.

COGNITIVE BEHAVIORAL THERAPY (CBT) WEBINAR

The Justice Center and the Bureau of Justice Assistance will host a webinar about Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) and its uses in collaborative criminal justice/mental health programs.

January 11, 2011; 2:00-3:15 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.

Learn more about CBT and its uses in collaborative criminal justice/mental health programs.

[More...](#)

FREE GRANT WRITING SEMINARS

OCJS is hosting several free Grant Writing Seminars. The trainings provide an overview of identifying grant sources, analyzing program objectives, creating a budget, seeking letters of support, and proposal writing. Federal and state grants available to criminal justice professionals will be discussed. Attendees will also receive the OCJS publication, *Grant Writing: Identifying and Applying for Funding in a Competitive Market*.

Trainings will take place on the following date:

Thursday, February 10, 2011

Tuesday, March 22, 2011

All trainings will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Ohio Department of Public Safety's Motorcycle Classroom, located at 1970 W. Broad St., Columbus, on the first floor.

To download and print a training registration form, visit:

http://publicsafety.ohio.gov/links/ocjs_TrainingForm.pdf

SAVE THE DATE: HOW DID YOU SLEEP LAST NIGHT? – A Sleep Out for Mental Illness

Date: May 10, 2011 – 4:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Location: Ohio Statehouse

Join NAMI Ohio for the Sleep Out for Mental Illness to call our lawmakers' attention to the impact of their funding decisions.

EMERGE: COUNSELING & EDUCATION TO STOP DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Date: January 26-28, 2011

Location: Arlington, MA 02476

<http://www.emergedv.com/index.php/training/introductory-training/>

ONLINE COURSES TRAIN JUVENILE JUSTICE MANAGERS

The [National Juvenile Court Services Association](#) has designed an online training curriculum to train juvenile justice managers. Sponsored by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, the Professional Juvenile Justice Manager (PJMM) certificate program includes [a series of online courses](#). Students will spend two weeks on each course, working on basic lecture material, specialized readings, and self-assessment questions.

The program is designed to train staff and to provide certification for supervisors currently in the field. Those who successfully complete the program will receive certification from the American Probation and Parole Association. Resources: To access a list of PJMM courses and register online, visit www.njcsacertification.org/course/ca_tegory.php?id=29.

41ST NATIONAL COUNCIL MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS CONFERENCE

Date: May 2-4, 2011

Location: San Diego, CA

<http://www.thenationalcouncil.org/cs/conference/conference-basics>

NADCP 17TH ANNUAL DRUG COURT TRAINING CONFERENCE:

"All Rise: Carrying the Message of Recovery From Your Court to the Nation's Capital"

Date: July 17-20, 2011

Location: Washington, DC

Choose from over 20 tracks and 175 sessions.

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RESEARCH & RESOURCES

SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT ADMISSIONS STUDY RELEASED

Although the overall rate of admissions to substance abuse treatment in the U.S. remained stable between 1998 and 2008, at about 770 admissions for every 100,000 persons in the population, a new study shows striking changes and variations in admission rates. For example, the rate of admissions for alcohol as the primary drug has declined by 15 percent nationally. At the same time that admissions for alcohol treatment were declining, admission rates per 100,000 population for illicit drug use were increasing. In fact, one consistent pattern nationwide was the increase in the admission rate for marijuana use which rose 30 percent. As indicated in an earlier SAMHSA report, the treatment admission rate for opiates other than heroin (mainly narcotic pain relievers) rose 345 percent nationwide during these 11 years. The new study shows that increased admissions for pain reliever abuse occurred in every region of the nation. The full report is available at: <http://www.dasis.samhsa.gov/teds08/teds2k8sweb.pdf>.

OJJDP BULLETIN DESCRIBES LINK BETWEEN SUBSTANCE USE AND SERIOUS OFFENDING

The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) has published "[Substance Use and Delinquent Behavior Among Serious Adolescent Offenders](#)." This bulletin presents results from the Pathways to Desistance study, which interviewed more than 1,300 juvenile offenders for the 7 years after their conviction to determine what leads them to persist in or desist from serious offending. It focuses on understanding the connection between substance use and serious offending, including how these behaviors affect one another in adolescence and how they change in early adulthood, particularly when one behavior ceases. Resources: "Substance Use and Delinquent Behavior Among Serious Adolescent Offenders" (NCJ 232790) is available at www.ojjdp.gov/publications/PubAbstract.asp?pubi=254883.

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