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SAVE THE DATES!

OHIO SPECIALIZED DOCKET PRACTITIONER NETWORK ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Date: November 21, 2013

Location: OSU Fawcett Center

The Specialized Dockets Practitioner Network 9th annual conference offers national speakers and several breakout sessions on a wide-range of topics relevant to specialized docket programs. This annual event attracts more than 300 attendees from throughout the state, providing participants access to open communication and promoting relationships among professionals across county lines.

NEWS

SUPREME COURT ADOPTS SPECIALIZED DOCKET CERTIFICATION PROCEDURES

The Ohio Supreme Court has adopted rule amendments that outline the procedures to receive Supreme Court certification for a specialized docket program.

Under the certification amendments, courts operating specialized dockets would be required to submit an application, undergo a site visit, and submit specific program materials to the Specialized Docket Section as part of the certification process. "While the standards seek to create a minimum level of uniform practices for specialized dockets, they still allow local specialized dockets to innovate and tailor their specialized docket to respond to local needs and resources," the rules state. In addition, specialized dockets that comply with the initial stages of the certification process would be initially certified pending a final review. Specialized docket programs will be required to be initially certified by January 1, 2014. The amendments also create a new Commission on Specialized Dockets and amend the definition of a specialized docket in the Code of Judicial Conduct. The new commission will be the body that applies the certification

requirements and determines which programs are certified. View the text of the [amendments](#).

CHIEF JUSTICE ADDRESSES JUDGES, COURT STAFF AT SPECIALIZED DOCKETS CONFERENCE

opening remarks today at the 2012 Specialized Dockets Practitioner Network Conference in Columbus, Ohio Supreme Court Chief Justice Maureen O'Connor focused on upcoming certification requirements for drug courts and other specialized dockets that go into effect next year.

Justice Evelyn Lundberg Stratton also spoke at the conference and reviewed the history of specialized dockets. [More...](#)

WEBINARS

TRAUMA-INFORMED CHILD WELFARE: A TWO PART WEBINAR SERIES:

January 10, 2013: Expanding Trauma-Informed Services in Child Welfare Systems Cosponsored by the National Resource Center for Legal and Judicial Issues: This session will highlight resources and strategies child welfare agencies, providers and courts can use to expand the availability of trauma informed services across child serving systems to improve outcomes. Presenters will highlight resources available from the National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN), and local leaders from three systems - child welfare, mental health and courts - will discuss the steps they have taken to expand trauma-informed services both within their systems and in collaboration with other systems.

All webinars are held at: 2:30 pm Eastern * 1:30 pm Central * 12:30 pm Mountain * 11:30 am Pacific * 10:30 am Alaska * 9:30 am Hawaii

For complete descriptions of these sessions and lists of presenters, see our website at www.nrcoi.org/tele.htm.

Register on-line for these free sessions here:

<http://muskie.usm.maine.edu/helpkids/TeleReg.htm>

If you need assistance or have questions, email us at helpkids@usm.maine.edu or call 1-800 HELPKID (435-7543).

SEVEN PROGRAM DESIGN FEATURES: ADULT DRUG COURT PRINCIPLES, RESEARCH, AND PRACTICE

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) has released a new [Research to Practice \(R2P\) webinar](#) addressing the 7 design features of Adult Drug Court.

BJA, with support from the National Institute of Justice, set the 7 design features as priorities in the recently released [2012 Adult Drug Court Solicitation](#). In this 1 hour webinar, you will hear from a distinguished panel of experts as they outline each of the 7 design features, provide snapshots of the research to support each feature, and provide you with the necessary tools to improve your Adult Drug Court program. Lastly, you will gain access to a wealth of resources and links to assist you as you think of ways to improve your program design.

[Click here to view the webinar](#)

NATIONAL TA CENTER WEBINAR SERIES

The National Technical Assistance Center for Children's Mental Health conducts monthly webinars through our National TA Webinar Series. These webinars generally occur on the third Thursday of each month from 1:00 - 2:30 PM E.T.

Participation in the webinar series requires that you register using the online registration form below. There are no registration fees to listen to or participate in these webinars.

<http://gucchdtacenter.georgetown.edu/resources/2011calls.html>

FUNDING

SAMHSA'S GAINS CENTER FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND JUSTICE TRANSFORMATION SEEKS COMMUNITIES TO PARTICIPATE IN TRAUMA-INFORMED TRAININGS

SAMHSA's GAINS Center for Behavioral Health and Justice Transformation, operated by Policy Research Associates, Inc. (PRA), known nationally for its work regarding people with behavioral health needs involved in the criminal justice system, is soliciting applications from communities interested in its How Being Trauma-Informed Improves Criminal Justice System Responses training. The target audiences for this training are community-based criminal justice system professionals, including police, community corrections (probation, parole, and pre-trial services officers), court personnel, and other human service providers.

To find out more about How Being Trauma-Informed Improves Criminal Justice System Responses, please visit the GAINS Center website.

This opportunity is available in one of two formats:

1. How Being Trauma-Informed Improves Criminal Justice System Responses Training Delivery
2. How Being Trauma-Informed Improves Criminal Justice System Responses Train-the-Trainer event (TTT)

The GAINS Center will offer the training events free of charge to up to eight selected communities between February 2013 and September 2013. Since the purpose of this training initiative is to offer targeted technical assistance and training to prepared communities in the field, there are no fees for registration, tuition, or materials associated with these trainings. If these trainings are of interest to your community, please review the solicitation and submit your completed application form to the GAINS Center no later than **January 14, 2013**.

To download the How Being Trauma-Informed Improves Criminal Justice System Responses training delivery/train-the-trainer solicitation, click here.

EDUCATION, COMMUNITY NEEDS AND DIVERSITY/FAIRNESS FOCUS

Deadline: Ongoing

The Darden Restaurant Foundation (DRF), affiliated with the company that owns Olive Garden and Red Lobster restaurants, offers an array of community-based grants for the improvement of K-12 education. Darden makes grants in communities where it has facilities. Because they have operations across the country, chances are good there will be a facility in your back yard. Projects should meet community needs as well as emphasize diversity and fairness. Be aware that foundation board meetings are held quarterly in August, November, February and May. If you have a time sensitive project, it's best to check with DRF to see how much lead time they need for a grant application.

Information: Bob McAdam, Senior Vice President, Community Affairs, 407/245-5366;

http://www.darden.com/com_overview_mission.asp

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

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

Build-A-Bear Workshop, Inc. awards grants to provide direct support for children in the areas of health and wellness through several foundations, including the Build-A-Bear Workshop Bear Hugs Foundation and the Build-A-Bear Workshop Foundation.

<http://www.buildabear.com/shopping/contents/content.jsp?catId=400002&id=700016>

HUMAN AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Deadline: Ongoing

Website:

[www.macfound.org/site/c.lkLXJ8MQKrH/b.938141/k.FEFC/Domestic Grantmaking](http://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").

SUPPORTING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIMS

Deadline: Varies by Program

The National Network to End Domestic Violence Fund (NNEDVF) teams up with the Allstate Foundation to support NNEDVF grants to aid domestic violence survivors. The program supports 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations whose core mission is to serve or represent victims of domestic violence and their children. The effort also provides small grants to survivors of domestic violence (women and their families) to help them achieve their educational and job related goals. Any survivor of domestic violence is eligible to

apply; however, the application must be completed by a local domestic violence program or coalition to be accepted. Applications will be assessed based on the need. There are a variety of grants available such as one that works through state coalitions to train advocates and encourage economic independence from abusers. Information: <http://www.allstate.com/foundation/domestic-violence-grants.aspx> or 202/543-5566.

OHIO TRAININGS

ODVN/OAESV'S WORKING WITH SURVIVORS WHO HAVE TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY

Date: Wednesday, December 12th
Time: 1:00 pm -2:30 pm
Where: Your desk
Cost: Free, but participants will be responsible for long distance charges to participate in the call

This teleconference will focus on domestic violence and sexual assault survivors and address the following topics:

1. Defining Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)
2. How to screen for and identify signs and symptoms of TBI
3. Co-occurring conditions
4. Developing accomodation skills to assist the survivor

The presenter for this teleconference will be Suzanne Minnich, M.A., Executive Director of the Brain Injury Association of Ohio

Presenter's Bio:

Ms. Minnich has a Masters Degree in Special Education from the Ohio State University, and has served as the Executive Director for the Brain Injury Association of Ohio since 1986. Even before joining the Brain Injury Association, Ms. Minnich worked as an educator and advocate for issues impacting a number of special needs and vulnerable populations. These include the need for quality childcare for working parents, life-long support services for individuals with disabilities, and resettlement and language training services for various refugee populations.

A recipient of the Brain Injury Association of America's "Excellence in Grassroots Advocacy" award, Ms. Minnich also holds credentials as a Certified Brain Injury Trainer (CBIT) with the American Academy for the Certification of Brain Injury Specialists (AABCIS). She considers the work she has advanced and continues to promote toward establishment of a statewide system of serves for Ohioans with brain injury to be her organization's most lasting legacy, and one that has significantly defined her career.

To registrar for this training please go to the following link and complete the survey: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ZW7BX7Y>

If you have questions please email Tonia at toniam@odvn.org

NATIONAL TRAININGS

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/category.php?id=29.

TASC SAVE THE DATE! 19TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON DRUGS, CRIME AND REENTRY

Dates: May 8-10, 2013.

Location: Columbus, Ohio

More information TBA.

Resources

FINDINGS AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS FROM THE PATHWAYS TO DESISTANCE STUDY

The Pathways to Desistance study is a large, multi-site, collaborative project that follows over 1,300 youth ages 14-18 for seven years after their convictions for serious offenses. NJJN's September 2012 fact sheet, "[Emerging Findings and Policy Implications from the Pathways to Desistance Study](#)," offers a simple summary of the latest findings from the research, as well as corresponding policy implications.

» Other resources: "[Curbing Re-Arrest for Serious Offenses: Community-Based Alternatives for Youth as Effective as Institutional Placements](#)"

JOB OPENINGS

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