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### 2008 OSDPN MEETINGS & RSVP

#### **THE OHIO SPECIALIZED DOCKETS PRACTITIONER NETWORK**

With over 100 specialized dockets in operation throughout Ohio, the Supreme Court of Ohio, the Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services and the Ohio Department of Mental Health have recognized the need for interaction among the professionals that staff these courts. In order to provide such a forum, the Ohio Specialized Docket Practitioner Network was created to provide peer support and technical assistance to these programs. The Network is comprised of several sub-networks that meet by discipline. These sub-network meetings allow specialized docket practitioners to discuss the challenges and successes they have faced in their specific role on the specialized docket court team. In addition, the sub-network meetings offer opportunities for specialized docket professionals to provide program updates, discuss program operations, and discover innovative and effective strategies employed by other specialized dockets. If you are a member of a court's specialized docket team and would like to participate in the Network or learn more, then please contact our office at (614) 387-9425.

## 2008 OSDPN Sub-Network Meeting Dates & RSVP

All meetings are 10 – 2 and at the Judicial Center *unless noted otherwise*.

**Please note:** Please be sure to enter the meeting date in the subject line.

Judges	Nov. 19, 2008 – Crowne Plaza Hotel Dublin (5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.)	<a href="#">Click here to RSVP</a>
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## 2008 ACMIC MEETING DATES

The 2008 *Advisory Committee on Mental Illness and the Courts (ACMIC)* meetings are scheduled as follows:

**Monday, October 27, 2008**

All meetings are from **1 p.m. to 3 p.m.** in the Judicial Education Center at the Ohio Judicial Center. For directions to the Court, please visit our [website](#).

## 2008 OHIO SPECIALIZED DOCKETS PRACTITIONER NETWORK CONFERENCE

### 2008 OSDPN CONFERENCE SPECIALIZED DOCKETS: *COLLABORATION WORKS!*

**Date:** Thursday, November 20, 2008  
**Location:** Crowne Plaza Hotel in Dublin, Ohio  
**Sleeping Room Accommodations:** Chase Suite Hotels, Dublin  
**Deadline:** **November 7, 2008**

The 2008 Specialized Dockets Practitioner Network annual conference offers national speakers and several breakout sessions on a wide-range of topics pertinent to specialized docket programs. The conference attracts 300 attendees from across the state, which enables participants to open communication and establish relationships with professionals in other counties. Registration is limited to the first 300 registrants. Priority will be given to active Ohio Specialized Dockets Practitioner Network participants.

For more information and to registration, [click here](#).

### **CASA HONORS LOCAL JUDGE**

Retiring Seneca County Juvenile and Probate Judge Paul Kutscher was presented with the First CASA Judicial Award for Excellence Friday at the 14th annual Ohio CASA/GAL Association Celebrate Kids! Conference. "I'm sincerely grateful and appreciative. Guardian Ad Litem work so hard to protect children and I have had such a wonderful time working with them," Kutscher said afterwards. "I am thankful. It's humbling." [More...](#)

### **OHIO SUPREME COURT JUSTICE PUSHES FOR MENTAL HEALTH DOCKETS**

Ohio Supreme Court Justice Evelyn Lundberg Stratton has been a national and state advocate for mental health dockets for seven years. The justice spoke to the Fairfield Rotary Club on Friday, Oct. 3, about that advocacy, and how she received help from then-Akron Municipal Judge Elinor Stormer and Butler County Common Pleas Court Judge Michael Sage, two judges who had established a mental health docket in Ohio. [More...](#)

### **JUVENILE COURT LAUNCHING PARENT DRUG COURT**

Allen County Juvenile Court is developing its own Parent Drug Court program to help parents struggling with addictions that lead to abuse, neglect and child welfare cases. The program should be up and running before the year is over, said Judge Glenn Derryberry, of the Allen County Juvenile Court. [More...](#)

### **COURT BUILDING NOW ALSO HOUSES MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC**

In response to judges who say they see too many people in their courtrooms because of undiagnosed mental disorders, D.C. Mayor Adrian M. Fenty cut the ribbon to an urgent-care clinic at the D.C. Superior Court building yesterday. The D.C. Department of Mental Health, in partnership with the D.C. Superior Court and the Psychiatric Institute of Washington, obtained a \$1.5 million grant to open the facility in June, and since then 146 people have been treated, officials said. [More...](#)

### **TEENAGE SUICIDES LEAVE ENDURING ANGUISH, QUESTIONS**

Suicide has a face for Jordan Laskey: his own. Every time he looks in the mirror, there it is staring back at him with narrow blue eyes. It is the face of a 20-year-old filled with rage and sadness who once found himself on the verge of taking his own life. It is also the face of one who couldn't stop at the edge of that precipice: his twin brother, Jeffery. [More...](#)

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## FUNDING

### 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](http://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](http://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.

### OHIO OFFICE OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT'S FEDERAL GRANTS RESOURCE CENTER

**Website:** <http://www.obm.ohio.gov/grants/>

**Description:** A center for federal grant information and data, and related information, and to facilitate state agencies and other public and non-profit entities in identifying and competing for federal project grants.

### SAMHSA CONFERENCE GRANTS

**Website:** [http://www.samhsa.gov/Grants/conference/PA\\_06\\_001\\_Conference.aspx](http://www.samhsa.gov/Grants/conference/PA_06_001_Conference.aspx)

**Description:** The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) anticipates funding the following discretionary grant programs in FY 2008, based on the President's FY 2008 budget request.

### OFFICE DEPOT TAKING CARE OF KIDS AND SCHOOLS GRANTS

**Website:** [www.community.officedepot.com/local.asp](http://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.

## **JOHNSON AND JOHNSON FAMILY FUND GRANTS**

**Website:** [www.jnj.com/community/contributions/index.htm](http://www.jnj.com/community/contributions/index.htm)

**Description:** Johnson and Johnson Family Fund Grants support a wide range of giving programs focused on women's and children's health, homelessness, community responsibility and disaster relief, access to care, advancing healthcare knowledge, and global public health.

## **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.

## **FAITH-BASED GRANTS AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**

**Website:** <http://www.fbciohio.gov/funding.asp>

**Description:** The Governor's Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives offers several grant opportunities in the areas of addiction, at-risk youth, children and family, crime victims, ex-offenders, homelessness and housing, and more.

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### GRANT WRITING

OCJS will be hosting **free** Grant Writing Seminars in 2008. OCJS' grant 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 Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services' publication, *Grant Writing: Identifying and Applying for Funding in a Competitive Market*.

*Trainings will take place on the following dates:*

- Tuesday, October 28, 2008
- Tuesday, November 4, 2008
- Tuesday, December 2, 2008

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

**Training is Free! To download and print a training/event registration form, click [OCJS Event Registration Form](#).**

### OHIO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE NETWORK: "WHAT EVERY LAWYER NEEDS TO KNOW ABOUT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION TRAINING

**Date:** October 17, 2008  
**Location:** Ohio Statehouse Atrium  
**Website:** [www.odvn.org](http://www.odvn.org)

### SAVE THE DATE! ENTRIES AND EXITS: CONTRASTING PATHWAYS TO COMMUNITY REENTRY

**Date:** October 24, 2008  
**Location:** TBA  
**Website:** [www.drc.state.oh.us/web/iej-seminars.htm](http://www.drc.state.oh.us/web/iej-seminars.htm)

### RISK/NEED ASSESSMENTS AND INDIVIDUALIZED PROGRAM PLANNING

**Date:** December 3, 2008  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
**Location:** Training and Education Center, London, Ohio  
**Website:** <http://www.occaonline.org/index.asp>

### OHIO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE NETWORK TRAININGS

To view the 2008 ODVN training brochure, please [click here](#).

### SAVE THE DATE: "BACK TO BASICS" OCCA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

**Dates:** April 1-3, 2009  
**Location:** Columbus, Ohio  
**Website:** <http://www.occaonline.org/index.asp>

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## NATIONAL TRAININGS

### UC DAVIS NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT CONFERENCE

**Dates:** October 27-29, 2008

**Location:** Sacramento, CA

For information, go to: [www.canconference.com](http://www.canconference.com)

### 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL NATIONAL CIT CONFERENCE

**Dates:** November 4-6, 2008

**Location:** Atlanta, GA

For more information, visit: [www.cit.memphis.edu/2008conf.html](http://www.cit.memphis.edu/2008conf.html)

### SEXUAL COMPULSIVITY CLINICAL TRAINING

**Dates:** November 5-7, 2008

**Location:** Troy, Michigan

For more information, go to: [www.themeadows.com](http://www.themeadows.com)

### AMERICAN HUMANE'S 2008 CONFERENCE ON DIFFERENTIAL RESPONSE IN CHILD WELFARE

**Dates:** November 12-14, 2008

**Location:** Columbus, Ohio – Hyatt on Capitol Square

The conference aims to build knowledge and skills, disseminate ongoing practices, and provide an exchange of ideas across states, counties and provinces on a range of topics related to implementing and sustaining differential response in child welfare. [Download the conference brochure](#) for all the details and to register.

### 20TH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON AD/HD

**Date:** November 12-15, 2008

**Location:** Anaheim, California

[To read more about this year's upcoming, exciting Annual International Conference, click here.](#)

[To Register Now for the 20th Annual International Conference on AD/HD, click here.](#)

### BRIDGING PERSPECTIVES: INTERVENING WITH MEN WHO BATTER

**Dates:** May 12 - 15, 2009

**Location:** Minneapolis, Minnesota

[www.bridgingperspectives.org](http://www.bridgingperspectives.org)

## RESEARCH

### EXPLORING THE KEY COMPONENTS OF DRUG COURTS: A COMPARATIVE STUDY OF 18 ADULT DRUG COURTS ON PRACTICES, OUTCOMES, AND COSTS

This study explored how various drug court programs were implementing the “10 Key Components” that all drug courts should share as benchmarks for performance. The analysis found that drug courts exercise a significant degree of discretion in how they implement the 10 key components. For each of the 10 components, there were both similarities and differences in how drug courts were operated. Variation in how various components are designed and implemented is not a negative finding in itself, since differences across drug courts are expected as each program tailors its components to meet the needs of the population served. Still, the identification of any variation in practice within a key component is helpful, since it may explain why some drug courts are more effective than others. This report lists promising practices related to reduced costs and lower recidivism. The evaluation, conducted between 2000 and 2006, involved 18 adult drug courts from jurisdictions across the United States, with attention to process, outcome, and cost variables.

<http://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/grants/223853.pdf>

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