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### 2009 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.

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## 2009 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.

Children Services	July 30 October 22	Send your RSVP to: <a href="mailto:brownc@sconet.state.oh.us">brownc@sconet.state.oh.us</a>
Judges	Sept. 16 – Dublin Embassy Suites (2:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.)  Nov. 18 – Doubletree Suites (5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.)	Send your RSVP to: <a href="mailto:lottesk@sconet.state.oh.us">lottesk@sconet.state.oh.us</a>
Drug Treatment Counselors	August 18 October 13	Send your RSVP to: <a href="mailto:brownc@sconet.state.oh.us">brownc@sconet.state.oh.us</a>
Program Coordinators	July 21 September 22	Send your RSVP to: <a href="mailto:brownc@sconet.state.oh.us">brownc@sconet.state.oh.us</a>
Mental Health Clinicians	August 26	Send your RSVP to: <a href="mailto:lottesk@sconet.state.oh.us">lottesk@sconet.state.oh.us</a>
Probation Officers	July 17 September 25	Send your RSVP to: <a href="mailto:brownc@sconet.state.oh.us">brownc@sconet.state.oh.us</a>
Case Managers	September 15	Send your RSVP to: <a href="mailto:lottesk@sconet.state.oh.us">lottesk@sconet.state.oh.us</a>
Prosecutors	June 19	Send your RSVP to: <a href="mailto:lottesk@sconet.state.oh.us">lottesk@sconet.state.oh.us</a>
Defense Attorneys	June 26	Send your RSVP to: <a href="mailto:lottesk@sconet.state.oh.us">lottesk@sconet.state.oh.us</a>

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## SAVE THE DATE!

### **2009 OSDPN Annual Conference**

November 19, 2009

#### **Keynote Speaker:**

Dr. David Mee-Lee

Doubletree Suites – Worthington

## 2009 ACMIC MEETING DATES

The 2009 *Advisory Committee on Mental Illness and the Courts (ACMIC)* meetings are scheduled as follows:

**Monday – July 27, 2009**

**Monday – October 26, 2009**

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](#).

## NEWS

### **BROWN V. STATE OF MARYLAND**

In an April issue of the newsletter, there was an article related to a constitutional challenge of the operation of the Baltimore City Adult Felony Drug Court brought by the State Public Defender. Two arguments were made to the Court of Appeals, the state's highest court. First, that Maryland's problem-solving courts lack fundamental jurisdiction. Second, that the Baltimore Drug Court violated double jeopardy rules by sentencing an offender for violating probation after already having served a jail sentence for violating a drug court rule resulting from the same act. On May 18, the Court ruled that the Baltimore City Adult Felony Drug Court does not lack fundamental jurisdiction. With no comment on the claim, the Court ruled that the double jeopardy argument was not preserved for appellate rule by the Court because the issue was not made in the lower circuit court. The full Court opinion can be found at <http://mdcourts.gov/opinions/coa/2009/118a08.pdf>.

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO DR. STEPHEN PARISER!**

Dr. Stephen Pariser, Chair of the ACMIC Psychiatry & the Courts Subcommittee, was recently awarded the President's Award for distinguished service by the Ohio Psychiatric Physicians Association. As chair of the subcommittee, Dr. Pariser has guided mental health court trainings for psychiatric residents; strengthened ties between the psychiatric physicians' community and the Ohio Lawyers Assistance Program; and has worked with the Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation on events to improve physicians understanding of suicide issues.

### **FAMILY AWARDED \$2 MILLION IN TASER TRIAL; JURORS BLAME CANTON POLICE TRAINING**

Jurors didn't like what they saw on the video shown in federal court during the past week, but they didn't blame the police officers for what was happening. Instead the jury placed blame with the officers' bosses — essentially the City of Canton — for not providing proper training. [More...](#)

### **CLERMONT CO. TO PARENTS: NO TEEN DRINKING PARTIES**

With prom season upon us, the Clermont County Drug Free Coalition put on a seminar not for students, but for their parents. "It might surprise you to know that 29% of parents and teens

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questioned in a recent survey say they know of parents who host teen alcohol parties," said Jimmi McIntosh, with the Drug Free Coalition. [More...](#)

#### **OHIO BEHAVIORAL-SERVICES OFFICIALS WANT TO BAN RESTRAINT**

Ohio behavioral-services officials want the state to ban a form of restraint blamed for the death of a 17-year-old girl at a Cleveland treatment center last year, according to a report obtained by the Associated Press. [More...](#)

#### **MORE STATES USE GPS TO TRACK ABUSERS**

When Theresa, a 51-year-old mother of two living near this coastal town, filed for a restraining order against her husband, she thought it would help put an end to the beatings, death threats and stalking that had tormented her family for years. [More...](#)

#### **OHIO GOVERNOR TED STRICKLAND EXPECTED TO SIGN ORDER BANNING RESTRAINT THAT LED TO DEATH OF FAITH FINLEY AT PARMADALE**

State officials are recommending that a type of restraint believed to have caused the death of a 17-year-old last year be banned in agencies that deal with youths and those who are disabled, mentally ill or addicted to drugs. Gov. Ted Strickland is expected to sign an executive order adopting the recommendations. [More...](#)

#### **POPULATION BOMB**

Ted Strickland couldn't have argued the case for changing criminal sentencing laws more forcefully than he did by proposing several reforms in his new budget. Unfortunately, the governor seemed to shrug when fellow Democrats in the House put the brakes on the reforms he sought. It is a relief to hear Strickland reiterate this week that he intends to keep pushing for the changes. [More...](#)

#### **TRAINING POLICE TO HANDLE MENTAL ILLNESS CASES**

Many of the calls police officers are sent on involve people with mental illness. Often they end in tragedy, with the death of the suspect or the officer. Training programs are trying to help cops confront mental illness without using deadly force. Morning Edition from National Public Radio reports on CIT. [More...](#)

## FUNDING

### **OJJDP FY 09 FAMILY DRUG COURTS PROGRAM**

**Application deadline:** June 15, 2009

**Website:** [Click here](#)

The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) is seeking applications for funding under its FY 2009 Family Drug Courts Program. This program furthers the Department's mission by building the capacity of states, state courts, local courts, units of local government, and Indian tribal governments to develop and establish drug courts for substance-abusing adults who are involved with the family court as a result of child abuse and neglect issues.

### **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. For more information, please visit <http://www.buildabear.com/aboutUs/community/BabwFoundation.aspx>

### **HUMAN AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

**Deadline:** Ongoing

**Website:** [www.macfound.org/site/c.1kLXJ8MQKrH/b.938141/k.FEFC/Domestic\\_Grantmaking](http://www.macfound.org/site/c.1kLXJ8MQKrH/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.

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#### **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.

## OHIO TRAININGS

### 2009 OHIO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE NETWORK TRAININGS

For complete listing of current trainings for 2009, go to: <http://www.odvn.org/>

### MADD OHIO ANNOUNCES TRAINING SESSIONS

MADD Ohio will host two training sessions titled: "Strengthening the Prosecution's OVI Case" aimed toward law enforcement and supporting law agencies. The training will focus from a prosecution viewpoint from the traffic stop to the trial and will include also discussion on new state OVI laws and court case rulings. A training session will be held on June 1 from 12:30 - 4:15 p.m. at the Southern State Community College Campus, Room 412 at 1850 Davids Drive in Wilmington. Instructors will be Karl Harris, an assistant prosecutor from the Warren County Prosecutor's Office and Dean Ward from the Ohio Department of Health. Another training session will be held June 8 from 12:30 - 4:15 p.m. at the City of Chardon Community Meeting Room, 107 South Street, Suite 6. The instructor will be Amanda Condon, an assistant prosecutor from Ashtabula County. Both sessions are free and funded by a grant from the USDOT/NHSTSA & ODPS/OTSO. Lunch is provided free by MADD Ohio. Trainings in the Steubenville, Sidney and Portsmouth areas are being scheduled for July and August. *For more details or to register, contact Randy Young at 800/552.8641 or [randy.young@madd.org](mailto:randy.young@madd.org)*

### BUILDING CROSS-CULTURAL COMPETENCE IN HEALTH CARE

**Dates & Locations:** May 29, Northcoast Behavioral Healthcare, Toledo  
June 12, 14th Street Community Center, Portsmouth

Multiethnic Advocates for Cultural Competence (MACC) is sponsoring CARE training sessions that will help health care and human services professionals, as well as others who are interested in learning more about how to better serve the needs of our community's diverse populations, increase their knowledge and understanding about the impact of cultural practices and beliefs on the patient/client – provider relationship, and provide opportunities for developing strategies to strengthen your cross-cultural skills. All sessions take place on Fridays, and will be offered twice each day for scheduling convenience: 9:00 am – 12 noon, and 1:00 - 4:00 pm. Additional information can be obtained by calling MACC-614-221-7841 or going to:

[http://www.maccinc.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=20&Itemid=34](http://www.maccinc.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=20&Itemid=34)

### 2009 GRANT WRITING SEMINARS

OCJS will be hosting four free Grant Writing Seminars in the remainder of 2009. 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 OCJS publication, *Grant Writing: Identifying and Applying for Funding in a Competitive Market*. Trainings will take place on the following dates:

- Tuesday, July 28
- Tuesday, August 25
- Tuesday, October 27
- Tuesday, November 24

All 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.

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

### ICCA REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON MENTAL HEALTH AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

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**Date:** June 15 - 16, 2009

**Location:** Cleveland, OH

**Website:** [www.iccaweb.org/documents/ICCARegionalConferencePDF.pdf](http://www.iccaweb.org/documents/ICCARegionalConferencePDF.pdf)

The International Community Corrections Association (ICCA) is hosting an international regional conference in Cleveland for Ontario, Canada and neighboring states in the U.S. and will focus on treating mental illness within the community correctional population.

#### **OCJS: LOGIC MODEL**

**Date:** June 30, 2009

**Location:** Ohio Department of Public Safety's Motorcycle Classroom

**Website:** [www.ocjs.ohio.gov/specialtrainings.pdf](http://www.ocjs.ohio.gov/specialtrainings.pdf)

This training session will discuss and present information on logic-model development as it relates to program planning and development that is specifically tailored for community and local agencies.

#### **OCJS: INCORPORATING EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICES**

**Date:** September 29, 2009

**Location:** Ohio Department of Public Safety's Motorcycle Classroom

**Website:** [www.ocjs.ohio.gov/specialtrainings.pdf](http://www.ocjs.ohio.gov/specialtrainings.pdf)

This training session will focus on strengthening the linkage between research knowledge and practice. It will address the biggest challenges for practitioners in implementing a new program or practice.

#### **OCJS: DESIGNING AND EFFECTIVE EVALUATION STRATEGY**

**Date:** December 29, 2009

**Location:** Ohio Department of Public Safety's Motorcycle Classroom

**Website:** [www.ocjs.ohio.gov/specialtrainings.pdf](http://www.ocjs.ohio.gov/specialtrainings.pdf)

In today's environment of increased accountability, designing and implementing an effective evaluation strategy is a critical component of an organization's ability to secure funding. This training session will discuss and present information on development of an effective evaluation plan and why it is important for program planning and sustainability.

## NATIONAL TRAININGS

### 2009 COMPREHENSIVE DRUG COURT PRACTITIONER TRAINING SERIES

The NDCI Comprehensive Drug Court Practitioner Training Series consists of a weeklong, intensive training program designed to educate the new or transitioning drug court practitioner, with a focus on those skills specific to each individual discipline. With critical support from the **Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP), Executive Office of the President**, NDCI provides this training series each year allowing for lateral learning based in the latest science and best practices related to each drug court discipline. Once practitioners complete this tier of training, they become more adept at their respective roles and are prepared to return to their drug court as a drug court team member.

#### [2009 Practitioner Training Dates](#)

#### A CALL TO MEN

**Dates:** May 21-22, 2009  
**Location:** New York, New York

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

#### FREE WEBINAR: KNOW YOUR RIGHTS: ANTI-DISCRIMINATION LAWS PROTECTING PEOPLE WITH ALCOHOL AND DRUG PROBLEMS AND CRIMINAL RECORDS

**Dates:** May 28<sup>th</sup>; June 11<sup>th</sup>; June 29<sup>th</sup>  
**Time:** 1:30 p.m.

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

#### NATIONAL RURAL INSTITUTE ON ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE

**Dates:** May 31 - June 4, 2009  
**Location:** University of Wisconsin-Stout, Menomonie, Wisconsin  
<http://www.uwstout.edu/outreach/conf/nri/index.htm>

#### 2009 NATIONAL SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CARE CONVENTION

**Dates:** June 25-27, 2009  
**Location:** Hollywood, Florida 33019  
<http://www.nasbhc.org/site/c.jsJPKWPFJrH/b.2708163/?auid=4633952>

#### PROSECUTORS AND DRUG COURTS: REDUCE RECIDIVISM, REDUCE DRUG USE, IMPROVE YOUR COMMUNITY

**Dates:** July 21 – 24, 2009  
**Location:** Annapolis, Maryland  
To register, please visit our website at [www.nadcp.org](http://www.nadcp.org) and download a registration form

#### FREE! BJA TRAININGS - RETHINKING COURT RESPONSES TO CLIENT BEHAVIOR: INCENTIVES AND SANCTIONS

**Dates & Locations:** July 23-24, 2009 - Anaheim, CA  
August 27-28, 2009 - Denver, CO  
September 17-18, 2009 - Chicago, IL  
November 12-13, 2009 - New Orleans, LA.

To register, please visit our website at [www.ndci.org/advanced\\_training.html](http://www.ndci.org/advanced_training.html) and download a registration form and fax it to 703-575-9402. If you have any questions, please contact Training Coordinator, Kelly Curtis at [kcurtis@ndci.org](mailto:kcurtis@ndci.org) or at 703-575-9400 ext 18.

#### NATIONAL DRUG COURT INSTITUTE “OPERATIONAL TUNE-UP

**Locations & Dates:** July 30-31, 2009 (Indianapolis, IN);

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August 13-14, 2009 (Minneapolis, MN)  
October 8-9, 2009 (San Diego, CA)  
November 5-6, 2009 (White Plains, NY)

**Cost:** Free

Don't wait! To register, please visit our website at [www.nadcp.org](http://www.nadcp.org) and download a registration form and fax it to 703-575-9402. If you have any questions, please contact Jannise Randall at [jrandall@ndci.org](mailto:jrandall@ndci.org) or at 703-575-9400 ext. 20.

#### **FINDING THE PATH**

**Dates:** August 3 – 4, 2009  
**Location:** Long Beach, California  
<http://www.dvinstitute.org/healing/index.html>

#### **A NEW DIRECTION FOR A SAFER TOMORROW: A NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON SUPERVISED VISITATION AND SAFE EXCHANGE**

**Dates:** September 3-4, 2009  
**Location:** Omni San Diego Hotel – San Diego, CA  
For more information, please contact: Michele Robinson at 775-784-6427 or [mrobinson@ncjfcj.org](mailto:mrobinson@ncjfcj.org)

#### **17<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ICCA RESEARCH CONFERENCE**

**Dates:** September 13-16, 2009  
**Location:** Caribe Royale Resort & Conference Center – Orlando, Florida  
Go to: [www.iccaweb.org](http://www.iccaweb.org)

#### **UC DAVIS NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT CONFERENCE**

**Dates:** September 21-23, 2009  
**Location:** Hyatt Regency, Sacramento  
Go to: [www.canconference.com](http://www.canconference.com)

#### **16<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL TASC CONFERENCE ON DRUGS & CRIME**

**Date:** September 23-25, 2009  
**Location:** North Carolina  
For more information, go to: [www.NationalTASC.org](http://www.NationalTASC.org)

#### **THE MOMENT OF CHANGE—INTERVENTION-APPROACHES FOR PROFESSIONALS**

**Dates:** September 28-30, 2009  
**Location:** The Breakers Palm Beach, Palm Beach, Florida  
**Website:** <http://dualdiagnosis.org/events/moment-of-change-2009/conference-description>

#### **2010 NATIONAL GAINS CONFERENCE – SAVE THE DATE!**

**Dates:** March 17-19, 2009  
**Location:** Orlando, Florida

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