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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.

## 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.

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

**July 27, 2009**

**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

### **COUNTY DRUG COURT AIMS TO SAFEGUARD LIVES, MONEY**

Angela Hatem cradled her newborn son and started slithering toward the darkness of addiction. Complications from the delivery of her youngest child in 2002 led to infections and 14 surgeries. Doctors, she said, handed her painkillers. But after they cut her off, she found a street dealer to avoid withdrawal. To support her addiction, she turned to crime. [More...](#)

### **LAB TECHS MUST BACK UP DRUG, DUI TESTS**

Until last month, the strongest evidence in drug and drunken-driving cases in courtrooms across the United States often was a piece of paper. A crime-lab or Breathalyzer report would confirm that the defendant indeed had illegal drugs or a high level of alcohol in his or her system. But a U.S. Supreme Court decision has sent a jolt through that system. [More...](#)

### **MOTHER FILES WRONGFUL-DEATH SUIT**

The mother of a 17-year-old Barberton girl who died while she was a patient at a Cleveland treatment center last year filed a wrongful-death lawsuit Tuesday in Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court. Faith N. Finley died December 13 while being restrained by employees at Parmadale, a church-run treatment center. [More...](#)

### **SPECIAL COURT DOCKETS FOR DRUG OFFENDERS, PROSTITUTES WORTH A TRY**

The Franklin County Municipal Court is about to engage in a worthwhile experiment: It will establish a drug court and a prostitution court that will focus less on punishment and more on helping nonviolent drug users and prostitutes escape self-destruction. Offenders will get the chance to receive treatment rather than jail terms. Those in the program must report weekly to a probation officer. If they step out of line, they go to jail. If this approach works for some offenders, it could prevent them from sinking deeper and committing other crimes, such as theft or robbery. [More...](#)

## FUNDING

### **ELDER JUSTICE COMMUNITY COLLABORATIONS**

The National Center on Elder Abuse (NCEA) has issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for an Elder Justice Community Collaborations project, administered by the National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse for the NCEA. The RFP supports the development of multi-disciplinary coalitions at the local level by providing on-site training and technical assistance to Area Agencies on Aging, Title VI Grantees, and/or community organizations interested in developing new elder justice coalitions.

The deadline for responding to the RFP is Friday, August 28, 2009, at 5:00pm EST.

The RFP can be found at NCEA's website at:

[www.ncea.aoa.gov/NCEAroot/Main\\_Site/About/Initiatives/doc/Mini-grant-RFP2009.doc](http://www.ncea.aoa.gov/NCEAroot/Main_Site/About/Initiatives/doc/Mini-grant-RFP2009.doc)

### **REVISED GRANTS CALENDAR FROM THE OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES (OCJS)**

Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) and Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Programs: The normal JAG and VAWA allocation request for proposals will be released August 1 and due to OCJS August 31. To see the revised calendar, please visit: [www.ocjs.ohio.gov/GrantsCalendar.pdf](http://www.ocjs.ohio.gov/GrantsCalendar.pdf)

### **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.

## **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) 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](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.

## CALL FOR PAPERS

### NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR COMMUNITY BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE 40TH MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS CONFERENCE

**Dates:** March 15-17, 2010

**Location:** Disney's Coronado Springs Resort – Orlando, Florida

*Call for proposals* for workshops presentations, poster sessions, and videos.

The submission deadline is *September 15, 2009*.

To submit a proposal: [www.thenationalcouncil.org/cs/boston/call\\_for\\_papers](http://www.thenationalcouncil.org/cs/boston/call_for_papers)

**Workshops:** Presentations are 90 minutes long, with no more than a maximum of THREE presenters.

**Posters:** Highlight your promising programs during our poster session.

**Videos:** 10 to 30 minute documentaries or independent film projects that illustrate key issues in the delivery of appropriate and comprehensive behavioral health services.

### 2010 NADCP ANNUAL TRAINING CONFERENCE

**Location:** Boston, MA

**Dates:** June 2-5, 2010

*Call for proposals* for workshops presentations, poster sessions, and videos.

The submission deadline is *August 28, 2009*

To submit a proposal contact: [jlubold@nadcp.org](mailto:jlubold@nadcp.org)

**2009 OHIO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE NETWORK TRAININGS**

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

**2009 GRANT WRITING SEMINARS**

OCJS will be hosting two 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:

- October 27
- 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](#).

**GRANT WRITING FOR SPECIALIZED DOCKETS**

**Date:** Aug. 27, 2009 - Columbus, OH

**Who should attend:** Personnel from courts operating specialized dockets  
**No vendors or vendor personnel are permitted to attend.**

The Specialized Dockets Section in the Judicial & Court Services Division of the Supreme Court of Ohio is offering a specialized training on *Grant Writing for Specialized Dockets* presented by Sharon Schnelle, who works in the Policy and Research section of the Office of Criminal Justice Services directly overseeing the grant review process.

[Register now](#)  
[View the brochure](#)

For more information on this event, please contact [Charlsia Brown](#).

**WHAT WORKS IN THERAPY AND TREATMENT: TRANSLATING 40 YEARS OF OUTCOME RESEARCH INTO EFFECTIVE STRATEGIES**

**Dates:** Sept. 2, 2009 - Worthington, OH

**Who should attend:** Specialized Dockets Personnel.  
**No vendors or vendor personnel are permitted to attend.**

The Specialized Dockets Section in the Judicial & Court Services Division of the Supreme Court of Ohio, in conjunction with the Ohio Department of Alcohol & Drug Addiction Services, is offering a specialized training on *What Works in Therapy and Treatment: Translating 40 Years of Outcome Research into Effective Strategies* presented by Scott D. Miller, Ph.D., co-founder of the Center for Clinical Excellence, an international consortium of clinicians, researchers and educators dedicated to promoting excellence in behavior health.

[Register now](#) (Deadline: Aug. 11, 2009)

[View the brochure](#)

**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.

**REENTRY RESOURCES: BUILDING BRIDGES, A SUMMIT ON REENTRY INITIATIVES IN OHIO**

**Date:** October 8, 2009

**Location:** Embassy Suites - Dublin, Ohio 43017

Join us for a day of programming that will feature best practices, examples of community collaboration and speakers who share an interest in supporting communities and reentering citizens.

Contact Beth Gillespie at [bgillespie@osbf.net](mailto:bgillespie@osbf.net) to be added to the mailing list or visit [www.osbf.net](http://www.osbf.net)

**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.



### 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](#)

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

#### **Dates & Locations:**

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

<http://www.ndci.org/sites/default/files/ndci/IncentivesSanctionsBrochure.PDF>

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:** 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

<http://www.ndci.org/sites/default/files/ndci/Operational%20Tune-Up.PDF>

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.

### 2009 NATIONAL FORUM ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

**Dates:** August 9-11, 2009

**Location:** Bellevue, Washington

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### GETTING OUT, OR COMING HOME?

**Date:** August 19, 2009

**Location:** Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance

**Free 1-Day Conference**

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### 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>

### **PATHWAYS TO CHANGE: ISSUES, CHALLENGES AND STRATEGIES**

**Date:** October 26-27, 2009

**Location:** Westin San Francisco Airport

For more details, including where to make reservations, please visit the [Centerforce website](#).

### **THE NATIONAL COUNCIL'S 40<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS CONFERENCE & EXPO**

**Dates:** March 15-17, 2010

**Location:** Walt Disney World Resort – Orlando, FL

[Registration](#) and [hotel reservations](#) for 2010 are already open.

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

**Dates:** March 17-19, 2010

**Location:** Orlando, Florida

## RESEARCH & RESOURCES

### **KINSHIP CARE WHEN PARENTS ARE INCARCERATED: WHAT WE KNOW, WHAT WE CAN DO,**

Children whose parents are incarcerated, though once an almost invisible population in the United States, are increasingly being recognized as a vulnerable group by public policymakers, social service providers, and academic researchers. In recent years, the Annie E. Casey Foundation has contributed to the knowledge development on this issue by supporting several publications that help synthesize and build knowledge in the field and raise awareness of the challenges faced by children and families of incarcerated parents. Our hope is that this information will lead to opportunities to promote stronger child well-being among this population.

The Foundation has recently published a new report, [\*\*Kinship Care When Parents are Incarcerated: What We Know, What We Can Do\*\*](#), by Creasia Finney Hairston, Ph.D., a preeminent scholar on this topic and Dean and Professor at the Jane Addams College of Social Work at University of Illinois Chicago. This report provides an overview of the current state of knowledge about kinship care when parents are involved in the criminal justice system and identifies what we need to know and understand to develop more effective policies and services. Analyses of current child welfare and criminal justice policies provide the context for understanding research findings and recommendations for change. The idea to commission this report from Dr. Hairston grew out of our collaborative work with our “Casey Cousins”—Casey Family Programs and Marguerite Casey Foundation and reflects the current, more targeted focus of the Annie E. Casey Foundation to concentrate on children of incarcerated parents who are in formal or informal care.

A PDF version of this and all AECF reports related to children with incarcerated parents can be found at <http://www.aecf.org/childrenofincarcerated.aspx>. You can also request printed copies through this link.

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