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September 24, 2009

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: brownc@sconet.state.oh.us |
| Judges | Nov. 18 – Doubletree Suites (5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.) | Send your RSVP to: lottesk@sconet.state.oh.us |
| Drug Treatment Counselors | October 13 | Send your RSVP to: brownc@sconet.state.oh.us |
| Probation Officers | September 25 | Send your RSVP to: brownc@sconet.state.oh.us |

For directions, visit our [website](#)

2009 OHIO SPECIALIZED DOCKETS PRACTITIONER NETWORK ANNUAL CONFERENCE

2009 OSDPN ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Date: November 19, 2009
Location: Doubletree Hotel – Worthington
Deadline: November 4, 2009

The 2009 Specialized Dockets Practitioner Network 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. Registration is limited to the first 300 registrants. Priority will be given to active Ohio Specialized Dockets Practitioner Network participants.

Participants may register by completing the [online registration form](#).

2009 ACMIC MEETING DATES

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

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

FEDERAL GRANT ALLOWS OHIO TO JOIN 17 OTHER STATES IN NATIONAL VIOLENT DEATH REPORTING SYSTEM (NVDRS)

Violent death is a pressing public health concern in Ohio and the United States. In fact, some 50,000 Americans die violently each year and Ohio reported 2,007 violent deaths in 2007. The vast majority of violent deaths in Ohio were either suicides (63 percent) or homicides (32 percent). In an effort to better understand – and ultimately prevent – violent deaths, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) in 2002 established the National Violent Death Reporting System (NVDRS). And now, thanks to a four-year grant from CDC, Ohio is poised to become NVDRS' 18th participant.

Read a column from Ohio Department of Health Director Alvin D. Jackson, M.D. for [more...](#)

OHIO DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND

Deadline: September 30, 2009

The Ohio Drug Law Enforcement Fund will provide funding to defray expenses that a drug task force organization incurs in performing its functions related to the enforcement of the state's drug laws and other state laws related to illegal drug activity.

Website: www.ocjs.ohio.gov/Funding/2009Drug_LE_Fund_RFP.doc

BREAKING THE CYCLE OF VIOLENCE

Deadline: November 17, 2009

The Mary Byron Foundation is seeking applications from local programs that break the cycle of violence in an innovative way. Eligibility is limited to nonprofit organizations and government agencies. There will be four awards at around \$10,000 each.

Information: <http://marybyronproject.org/CelebratingSolutions.html>

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.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.

JOHNSON AND JOHNSON FAMILY FUND GRANTS

Website: 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 & ARTICLES

CONVENTION CALL FOR ABSTRACTS: 2010 NATIONAL SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CARE CONVENTION

Dates: June 16-19, 2010
Location: Arlington, VA at the Marriott Crystal Gateway
On-Line Submission Deadline: October 23, 2009

The National Assembly on School-Based Health Care seeks expertise, promising, best, and evidence-based practices, resources, and tools on a myriad of interdisciplinary topics for the 2010 national school-based health care convention, June 16-19, 2010, to be held at the Marriott Crystal Gateway, Arlington, VA.

OJJDP SEEKS INFORMATION ON DSO PROMISING PRACTICES

The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) seeks information on initiatives that help states achieve or maintain the deinstitutionalization of status offenders (DSO). To that end, OJJDP invites state agencies and others to [nominate](#) programs and strategies that have shown promise in keeping status offenders out of jail or removing status offenders from juvenile or adult detention, regardless of funding source.

Nominated programs will be reviewed for inclusion in a database of promising DSO initiatives. To be eligible for nomination, programs and strategies must have been in operation for at least 2 years and data documenting their impact must show improvement over one or more periods of time.

Resources:

The DSO Promising Practices Nomination Form may be accessed at ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/programs/DSOpromisingpractices2009.pdf

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 one last 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. Training will take place on the following dates:

- 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](#).

TEEN DATING VIOLENCE: DEVELOPING EVIDENCE AND PRACTICE BASED RESPONSES FOR WORKING WITH PERPETRATORS

Dates: September 25, 2009 (9am-4pm)

Location: Columbus, Ohio

Please click the link here to register online:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=xZRC_2bgyDvejw23Wgszi6Rw_3d_3d

TRAUMA RECOVERY AND EMPOWERMENT MODEL (TREM)

Date: Monday, September 28, 2009

Location: Ohio Department of Agriculture
Auditorium A/B
8995 East Main Street
Reynoldsburg, OH 43068

The Criminal Justice CCoE is hosting a FREE technical assistance event for providers using the Trauma Recovery and Empowerment Model (TREM).

TREM and M-TREM are fully manualized group interventions for women (TREM) and men (M-TREM) who are trauma survivors. This event is a "refresher" training designed for TREM and M-TREM providers. The course, provided by Community Connections, will cover:

- an overview of the TREM/M-TREM program
- group leadership techniques
- addressing the needs of the client
- program implementation issues
- ideas for sustaining TREM and M-TREM programs

For more information and to register for the event, please contact Natalie Bonfine at cjccoe@neoucom.edu.

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

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.

EVIDENCE BASED PRACTICES: LESSONS LEARNED – OJACC CONFERENCE

Date: October 1 & 2, 2009

Location: Crowne Plaza Columbus North Hotel
6500 Doubletree Avenue – Columbus Ohio

Website: www.ojacc.org/Files/Final%20Reg%20Brochure%20OJACC.pdf

The Ohio Justice Alliance for Community Corrections (OJACC) will host its 23rd annual conference highlighting *Lessons Learned in the Implementation of Evidence-Based Practices*. National and local practitioners and researchers will share the successes and challenges faced as they put into practice those models found through research to be most effective in changing the behavior of the offender population.

NEW SHORES: HEALTH MESSAGES FOR EMERGING POPULATIONS, featuring the Somali Culture

Dates: October 1-2, 2009

Location: Concourse Hotel & Conference Center

The conference will feature two tracks for specific audiences: one for the emerging Somali community and the other for health, behavioral health, social service, education, criminal justice and other providers. Keynote speakers for this year's conference: Thursday, October 1 - Hassan Ali Mirreh, the first Somali Ph.D. holder from Princeton University, scholar and seasoned politician, former Somali minister of education and senior consultant at the United Nations. And Friday, October 2 - Faduma Ali Nakruma, Somali female idol, song composer, poet, queen of Somali folklore. Download the registration brochure at

http://maccinc.org/documents/MACC_Conference_09_%20registration.pdf.

6TH ANNUAL PROSTITUTION, SEX WORK AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING CONFERENCE

Dates: October 1-2, 2009

Location: University of Toledo

The conference, which is designed to bring together researchers and practitioners in an effort to lay the groundwork for future collaborative research, advocacy, and program development, aims to educate social service, health care, and criminal justice professionals on human trafficking and the needs and risks of those victimized by the commercial sex industry. The conference will be held October 1-2 at the University of Toledo, Student Union Rooms 2582, 2584, 2591, 2801 W. Bancroft St. in Toledo. Registration is \$120 for both days and \$60 for one day.

For more information and a complete list of presenters, please visit:

<http://prostitutionconference.com>

PROFESSIONAL CHILDREN'S CONFERENCE

Date: October 6, 2009

Location: Fawcett Center (OSU) - Columbus

Mental Health America of Franklin County is hosting the upcoming Professional Children's Conference This is a full-day professional conference offering 7 CEUs to professionals and a 2-hour community program where professionals can earn 2 CEUs.

Go to www.mhafc.org for registration information.

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 to be added to the mailing list or visit www.osbf.net

IDENTIFYING AND REMOVING BARRIERS TO BEING A RESILIENT CAREGIVER: FIRST DO NO SELF-HARM

The OSU Department of Psychiatry invites you to a special community lecture and reception for the STAR (Stress, Trauma And Resilience) Program. Our speaker will be Charles Figley, PhD, the Paul Henry Kurzweg, MD Distinguished Chair in Disaster Mental Health, professor in the Tulane University Graduate School of Social Work and director of the award-winning Traumatology Institute.

Wednesday, October 14th

5:30 – 6:30 p.m. lecture

6:30 – 7:30 p.m. reception

112 Meiling Hall

370 West 9th Ave.

(Located on The Ohio State University campus)

For more information or to RSVP, please contact Jessica Auslander, program coordinator, at

Jessica.Auslander@osumc.edu

or (614) 293-1415.

SUICIDE PREVENTION: HELPING PHYSICIANS TO HELP THEIR PATIENTS AND THEIR COLLEAGUES

When: Saturday, Oct. 17, 2009

9 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Registration and Brunch begin at 8:30

Where: The Ohio State University - The Blackwell Inn

2110 Tuttle Park Place, Columbus, Ohio

Faculty: Josephine Ridley Ph.D.

Dr. Ridley is a licensed clinical psychologist and Program Manager of the Wade Park Psychiatry Day Hospital, a partial hospitalization program for the seriously mentally ill, at the Louis Stokes Cleveland VA Medical Center.

Seating limited to first 40 participants!

Deadline to register: Oct. 8, 2009

For additional information contact:

614-292-8585 or Holton.32@osu.edu

The registration fee is **\$40.00** and includes brunch. Please make check or purchase order payable to the Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation. Each registrant must complete a registration form. Please contact Cheryl Holton for registration form and mail with a check or fax with purchase order to Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation, 325 Stillman Hall, 1947 College Road, Columbus, Ohio 43210 or fax to: 614-247-6173

CME CREDIT FOR PHYSICIANS: 3.25 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™.

SKILL BUILDING TRAINING FOR BATTERERS INTERVENTION: *VICTIM SENSITIVITY AND WORKING WITH MEN WHO BATTER*

Date: October 22, 2009

Time: 1:00-4:30PM

Location: Cleveland Municipal Court

Cost: FREE.

CEUs: 3.0 CEUs for Ohio Counselors and Social Workers, In this experiential training, participants will have an opportunity to brush up group skills, exchange knowledge, and learn how to stay sensitive to battered women while dealing with male perpetrators directly. Batterers intervention

program staff and advocates for survivors are highly encouraged to register. Registration link and information will be sent SOON.

OHIO FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION SUMMIT

Dates: October 27-28, 2009

Location: Cherry Valley Lodge, Newark

Anthem Foundation and the Ohio Domestic Violence Network will present the Summit on October 27-28 at the Cherry Valley Lodge in Newark. The two-day Summit and premiere training event aims to advance Ohio's capacity to deliver quality family violence prevention services. The event will offer nationally recognized experts from the field while also showcasing Ohio-based prevention examples and resources. The event is unique in that it will provide a collective forum for stakeholders in child abuse, intimate partner violence, and elder abuse to join together to address preventing perpetration before it may occur.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.odvn.org>

OHIO YOUTH ASSESSMENT SYSTEM TRAININGS

The Department of Youth Services is pleased to announce the completion of the Ohio Youth Assessment System. Over the past three years, DYS has partnered with University of Cincinnati (UC) to develop a risk, needs and responsivity assessment specific to Ohio's youth. With the help of the pilot counties and facilities UC was able to collect and analyze data in order to develop a system of assessments that expand as a youth moves deeper into the system. The OYAS is made up of five instruments (Diversion, Detention, Disposition, Residential and Reentry) which will assist juvenile justice professionals in making the best decisions for youth and creating a common language across systems.

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Cuyahoga County October 13 – 14

Cuyahoga County October 15 – 16

2010

Richland County January 19 – 20

Lucas County February 16 – 17

Registration is available online at www.dys.ohio.gov by clicking on Ohio Youth Assessment System Registration, under the Featured Links section. You can access the registration form by clicking on **"To access the OYAS registration page click here."** Fill out the form and select the training you wish to attend from the drop down list. Make sure to click "Submit Registration Request."

WORKING WITH THE MENTALLY ILL OFFENDER WITHIN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM

Date: November 6, 2009

Location: Quest Center, 8405 Pulsar Place, Columbus, OH 43240

Website: www.awcc.info

This training will educate participants on mental health disorders that they are likely to encounter when working in the criminal justice system. Participants will develop a greater understanding of the experiences of this population and how their illnesses impact activities of daily life. Intervention strategies for community forensic monitoring, diversion alternatives, hospital and community services, and reentry services will be discussed. For more information, please contact Lisa Bates at lbates@awcc.info.

MENTAL HEALTH AMERICA OF FRANKLIN COUNTY: ETHICS CAN BE EXCITING!

Date: November 10, 2009

Location: Columbus Metropolitan Library, Downtown

Time: 12:30 pm Registration / 1pm-4:45 program

Cost: \$45 - Before October 26 / \$50 AFTER October 26

CEUs: This will fulfill the 3 hour CEU ethics requirement for mental health professionals in Ohio.

To register, [click here](#).

11th ANNUAL OHIO HOUSING CONFERENCE

Dates: November 16-17, 2009

Location: The Greater Columbus Convention Center

Website: <http://www.ohiohome.org/09conf/default.html>

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

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.

NADCP: FREE ONLINE TRAINING COURSE NOW AVAILABLE

What if your Drug Court team could receive training on the fundamentals? What if the training was free, required no travel and provided a certificate of completion? Look no further. The National Drug Court Institute (NDCI), the professional services branch of the National Association of Drug Court Professionals (NADCP), is offering a **free self-paced online training course designed to teach the core knowledge and skills necessary to properly plan, implement and operate a Drug Court.** Developed in collaboration with the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice, for the Adult Drug Court field, the course modules contain video presentations illustrated with PowerPoint and a self-assessment exercise addressing unit competencies. There are various resources provided for each module that include suggested readings, along with critical questions to consider. All of these resources are intended to support you – the individual learner – as you progress through the course. This eLearning course provides 24/7 access for 60 days from the date of registration. Technical support is available for participants through phone or email, and each course contains helpful hints that make access easy.

[Click here to register!](#)

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. Click [here](#) for more information.

TREATING AND SUPERVISING METHAMPHETAMINE ADDICTS IN YOUR DRUG COURT

This one day training will teach effective techniques for treating and supervising methamphetamine addicts. Your Drug Court team will learn to identify and understand the unique challenges of working with methamphetamine addicts and apply science-based methods to effectively treat and supervise them.

Who should attend: This workshop is designed for advanced Drug Court practitioners with fundamental knowledge of the Drug Court model and Drug Court practices. This training is geared toward Drug Court police officers, probation officers, case managers, treatment counselors and others who provide direct supervision.

This training program is FREE!!! There is no registration fee! However, your court will be responsible for incidentals, hotel costs, and transportation. Take advantage of this wonderful training opportunity to better serve Drug Court participants! **Trainings are filling up fast! Register now!**

These trainings will be held:

October 13, 2009 in Seattle, Washington

October 20, 2009 in Phoenix Arizona

November 10, 2009 in Omaha, Nebraska

November 13, 2009 in Huntsville, Alabama

November 17, 2009 in Lexington, Kentucky

Don't wait! To register, [please visit our website here](#) or [download a registration form here](#) and fax it to 703-575-9402. If you have any questions, please contact Training Coordinator, Kelly Curtis at kcurtis@ndci.org or at 703-575-9400 ext 18.

CSMH: SCHOOL MENTAL HEALTH CONFERENCE

Dates: November 2-4, 2009

Location: Minneapolis, MN

Register today for the 14th Annual Conference, November 2-4, 2009, at the Hilton Minneapolis Hotel in Minneapolis, MN, sponsored by the Center for School Mental Health (CSMH), University of Maryland School of Medicine, in conjunction with The IDEA Partnership funded by the Office of Special Educations Programs, sponsored by the National Association of State Directors of Special Education. This year's conference theme is School Mental Health: Promoting Success for All Students.

****CSMH is going green**** As much as possible, we will not be printing materials. The preliminary program booklet and program brochure, as well as registration information is located on our Center's homepage, at <http://csmh.umaryland.edu>.

As a participant of the CSMH conference, you will gain knowledge about the latest best practices, resources, and tools. You will be able to learn from and network with key stakeholders in the school mental health field (e.g., students, families, educators, mental health providers, health providers, advocates, administrators, policy makers).

The CSMH has applied for 19.5 professional contact hours, and is awaiting the final approval for the following professionals: Counselors, Health Educators, Physicians, Psychologists, Nurses, and Social Workers.

There are still sleeping rooms available at a special room rate of \$189 per night. Call 1-888-933-5363; 1-612-376-2000, www.minneapolis.hilton.com and reserve your room. Reservations must be received by September 30, 2009, to ensure a room at this special rate. State that you will be attending the 14th Annual Conference on Advancing School Mental Health.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact Toshia Bruster, from the Meeting Management Services, 202-624-1743 or the main CSMH number, 410-706-0980.

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

Dates & Locations: 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 or at 703-575-9400 ext 18.

NATIONAL DRUG COURT INSTITUTE "OPERATIONAL TUNE-UP"

Locations & Dates: 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 or at 703-575-9400 ext. 20.

NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL TRAINING CONFERENCE: RESPONDING TO CRIME VICTIMS WITH DISABILITIES

Dates: September 30-October 2, 2009

Location: Denver, Colorado

www.register123.com/event/profile/web/125952

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 14TH ANNUAL BISC-MI FALL 2009 CONFERENCE

Dates: November 4th, 5th, 6th, 2009

Location: Battle Creek, Michigan

<http://www.biscmi.org/jod/>

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL'S 40TH 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

SAVE THE DATE - FIRST INTERNATIONAL CIT CONFERENCE (FORMERLY THE NATIONAL CIT CONFERENCE)

Dates: June 1 - 3, 2010

Location: San Antonio, TX

On-site registration May 31, 2010

RESEARCH

NEW REENTRY READINESS MANUAL

The Center for Behavioral Health Services and Criminal Justice Research developed a [Reentry Readiness Assessment Manual](#) that can be self-administered or administered by a social worker or paraprofessional. It is designed to assess readiness, identify areas of unreadiness, and guide the user toward readiness. See our [Technical Assistance](#) webpage for other manuals developed by the Center.

LIGHTING THE WAY: IMPROVING CORRECTIONS POLICIES AND PRACTICES

The Crime and Justice Institute, a division of Community Resources for Justice, is pleased to announce the release of Lighting the Way: Improving Corrections Policies and Practices. This booklet describes effective, efficient approaches to offender supervision that reduce the likelihood of repeat crime, as well as an integrated approach for implementing and sustaining these strategies. It is an essential resource for those advocating for responsible corrections policy and practice. To view the booklet in pdf format please [click here](#) or [here](#).

JOB OPENINGS

FRANKLIN COUNTY REENTRY COORDINATOR

The Reentry Coordinator will play a critical role in the leadership and direction of Franklin County's Reentry Initiative. The 18 month contract position is full time and it is anticipated additional funding will be sought to secure the position beyond the 18 months. Because this is a contract position, compensation will be based upon pre-established weekly/monthly deliverables. The deadline for submission of resumes is September 30, 2009. A detailed position description is available by calling: 614- 462-5577. Interested candidates should submit a letter of interest and a copy of their resume to:

Franklin County Office of Homeland Security & Justice Programs
373 S. High Street, 25th floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

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