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### 2010 OSDPN MEETINGS & RSVP

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

With over 125 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.

## 2010 OSDPN Sub-Network Meeting Dates & RSVP

All meetings are 10 – 2 and at the [Judicial Center](#) unless noted otherwise.

<b>Judges</b>	<b>Nov. 17 – Worthington Doubletree Suites</b> (5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.)  *Please indicate which date you plan to attend in your RSVP.	<b>Send your RSVP to:</b> <a href="mailto:Kevin.Lottes@sc.ohio.gov">Kevin.Lottes@sc.ohio.gov</a>
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### 2010 OSDPN ANNUAL CONFERENCE

#### 2010 OSDPN ANNUAL CONFERENCE – *ON A FIRM FOUNDATION: THE EVIDENCE FOR SPECIALIZED DOCKETS*

**Date:** November 18, 2010

**Location:** Doubletree Hotel – Worthington

The 2010 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 NOW CLOSED.**

### 2010 ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON SPECIALIZED DOCKETS MEETING DATES

The 2010 *Advisory Committee on Specialized Dockets* meeting dates are scheduled as follows:

**January 28, 2011**  
**April 15, 2011**

All meetings are from **10 p.m. to 2 p.m.** at the Ohio Judicial Center.

For directions to the Court, please visit our [website](#).

### 2010 ACMIC MEETING DATES

The 2010 *Advisory Committee on Mental Illness and the Courts (ACMIC)* meetings are scheduled as follows:

**February 7, 2011**

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](#).

**EDITORIAL: FLEXIBILITY NEEDED**

A 2007 state law that requires school districts to do criminal background checks on applicants and current employees, and to fire or not hire those who have committed certain offenses considered 'non-rehabilitative,' is a reasonable effort to ensure Ohio students' safety, as long as school districts are allowed some discretion. A 2009 rule change gave districts some discretion by allowing them to retain or hire people with some otherwise-disqualifying convictions, if they happened far enough in the past. [More...](#)

**TOSSED RESULT WON'T STOP USE OF BREATH-ALCOHOL TEST**

In October, a Madison County judge junked the results of an Intoxilyzer 8000 breath-alcohol test, the first time, apparently, that the controversial machine has failed a legal challenge in Ohio. But the results of the Madison County hearing don't appear to seriously threaten the slow rollout of Intoxilyzer 8000 machines. Madison County Municipal Judge R. David Picken moved to suppress the results of an Intoxilyzer 8000 test administered on a driver in West Jefferson because the officer who administered the test had not performed a required second test to verify the results of the first.

[More...](#)

**SLAIN DAD HAD SAID SUSPECT WAS MENTALLY ILL, OFF MEDS**

Just five months ago, William E. Liske, Jr., called the Ottawa County Sheriff's Office to report that his 24-year-old son had walked off after yelling at him and pushing him during a confrontation at his pole barn. Mr. Liske said he had brought his son home for a weekend visit from the Sandusky group home where he lived. He said William J. Liske was schizophrenic and apparently wasn't taking his medication. [More...](#)

**MARION COUNTY MAKING EFFORT TO UNDERSTAND, ADDRESS POVERTY**

The initiative came from the book "Bridges Out of Poverty" and other guides. Marion Municipal Court Judge Teresa Ballinger and Magistrate Michele Worobeic attended education sessions hosted by the Ohio Supreme Court last year. They returned to Marion determined to apply the concepts to this community. They are supported by many factions of the community, including people from education, health and legal systems, local businesses, churches, aid agencies and public servants.

[More...](#)

**'AN ILLUSION OF TREATMENT'**

Ohio's mental-health system, once a national model, is on the verge of collapse as the state careens toward the biggest budget crisis in memory.

Thousands have been slashed from the mental-health-care rolls. Others might have to wait months to see a psychiatrist. State funding for mental-health services has been decimated, Medicaid is gobbling up scarce local dollars, and hundreds of small group homes for the mentally ill have closed. [More...](#)

## FUNDING

### OFFICE DEPOT COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT GRANT

**Deadline:** November 15, 2010

**Website:** <http://www.officedepotfoundation.com/funding.asp>

The Office Depot Foundation announces a grant program for the priorities of serving, teaching and inspiring children, youth and families; supporting civic organizations and activities that serve community needs; and disaster relief. Nonprofits are eligible. Most grants average about \$1000 each.

### CONTINUUM OF CARE HOMELESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

**DEADLINE:** November 18, 2010

**SUMMARY:** The purpose of the CoC Homeless Assistance Programs is to reduce the incidence of homelessness in CoC communities by assisting homeless individuals and families move to self-sufficiency and permanent housing. CoCs that sustain current successful interventions and advance HUD's national goals will be scored higher

**ELIGIBILITY:** State and local governments, private nonprofits, Community Mental Health Centers that are public nonprofit organizations and others.

**FULL ANNOUNCEMENT:**

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=58097>

### FREE TAX ASSISTANCE CAPACITY BUILDING GRANTS

The Ohio Benefit Bank in partnership with the Governor's Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives is pleased to announce the availability of Free Tax Assistance Capacity Building Grants for this coming tax season. The instructions/application information as well as the budget worksheet can be downloaded at: [www.oashf.org/ohiobenefitbank.html](http://www.oashf.org/ohiobenefitbank.html)

Below is a summary of the grant opportunity:

1. Organizations must agree to use The Ohio Benefit Bank to help Ohioans file their taxes free of charge or assist Ohioans in completing their Free Application for Federal Student Aid.
2. Maximum grant awards are \$12,500 for existing Ohio Benefit Bank sites and \$3,000 for organizations looking to start a new Ohio Benefit Bank site.
3. All grant applications are due by **November 29, 2010** at 4 PM (EST).

Questions may be directed to Joree Jacobs at the Ohio Association of Second Harvest Foodbanks at [jjacobs@oashf.org](mailto:jjacobs@oashf.org).

### AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION TO FUND RESEARCH GRANT PROGRAMS

**Deadline:** December 1, 2010

The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP) will research grants to support studies that aim to increase understanding of the causes of suicide and factors related to suicide risk, or to test treatments and other interventions designed to prevent suicide. Investigators from all academic disciplines are eligible to apply, and both basic science and applied research projects will be considered. AFSP offers six types of research grants: 1) distinguished investigator grants of up to \$100,000 over two years; 2) standard research grants of up to \$75,000 over two years; 3) linked standard research grants for three or more sites of up to \$225,000 over two years; 4) young investigator grants of up to \$85,000 over two years; 5) postdoctoral research fellowships of up to \$100,000 over two years; and 6) pilot grants of up to \$30,000 over one or two years to provide seed

money for new projects that have the potential to lead to subsequent larger investigations. For more information, click [here](#).

### **YOUTH ADDRESSING PROBLEMS IN THEIR COMMUNITIES**

**Deadline:** December 1, 2010

**Summary:** The Starbucks Foundation announces a grant program: the Starbucks Shared Planet Youth Action Grants. These grants fund organizations that provide young people a continuum of opportunities to develop creative approaches to address pressing concerns in their communities. Eligibility is limited to non-profits. The Foundation awards multiple grants ranging from \$10,000 to \$30,000 each.

**Website:** <http://www.starbucksfoundation.com/index.cfm?objectid=998EF1C4-1D09-317F-BBF7F71F7B681A12>

### **NATIONAL COOPERATIVE DRUG DISCOVERY AND DEVELOPMENT GROUPS FOR THE TREATMENT OF MENTAL DISORDERS, DRUG OR ALCOHOL ADDICTION – NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH**

**ELIGIBILITY:** Nonprofit Organizations; Small Businesses; Public and State Institutions of Higher Education; Others

**DEADLINE:** February 24, 2011

**FULL ANNOUNCEMENT:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-08-238.html>

The purpose of the National Cooperative Drug Discovery and Development Group Program is to create multidisciplinary research groups or partnerships for the discovery of pharmacological agents to treat and to study mental illness, drug or alcohol addiction.

### **GENERAL YOUTH FUNDING**

**Deadline:** Rolling

**Summary:** Most of the work the Annie E. Casey Foundation supports takes the form of multi-year, multi-site, foundation-based projects. However, the foundation, which focuses on helping vulnerable and at-risk children, youth and their families, does not discourage interested organizations from submitting letter of inquiry when looking for grants. Founded in 1948, the primary mission of the Foundation is to foster public policies, human-service reforms, and community supports that more effectively meet the needs of vulnerable children and families. It is the 15<sup>th</sup> largest private foundation in the United States, with assets of more than \$3 billion, and ranks 20<sup>th</sup> in the nation for charitable giving.

**Website:** [www.aecf.org](http://www.aecf.org)

### **REDUCING EXPOSURE TO VIOLENCE IN UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES**

**Deadline:** Throughout 2010

**Website:** [http://www.rwjf.org/files/applications/cfp/overview\\_lfp\\_peacefulpathways2010.pdf](http://www.rwjf.org/files/applications/cfp/overview_lfp_peacefulpathways2010.pdf)

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Local Funding Partnerships is seeking nominations from diversity-focused funders for projects to reduce violence in traditionally underserved communities that are defined by race, ethnicity, tribe, gender, sexual identity or rural/frontier location. The Foundation is open to nonprofits, but shows a preference for diversity-focused groups. There will be eight matching grants of \$50,000 to \$200,000. Proposals may be submitted at any time throughout 2010 and will be reviewed on the following dates: September 1, 2010 and January 5, 2011.

### **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.

#### **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.

#### **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.

#### **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**

**SPECIAL ISSUE OF *VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN* ON CONTEMPORARY PERSPECTIVES ON BATTERED WOMEN'S USE OF NON-FATAL FORCE IN INTIMATE HETEROSEXUAL RELATIONSHIPS: A CONTEXTUAL APPROACH**

*Violence Against Women* is seeking manuscripts for a special issue on contemporary perspectives regarding battered women's use of non-fatal force in their intimate heterosexual relationships.

Submissions from a variety of disciplines are encouraged including, but not limited to: social work, psychology, philosophy, cultural studies, sociology, law, anthropology, and criminology. Submissions may be empirically based (but do not need to be), and themes may include (but are not limited to): domestic violence, women in prison, criminalization of women's behavior, probation experiences, legal system strategies, and/or historical as well as cross-cultural analyses. Manuscripts that include innovative strategies in work with women from communities of color and other marginalized groups are of particular interest. **Submission Deadline:** January 7, 2011 Manuscripts should not exceed 30 double-space pages, including tables, references, and notes. Authors should email their manuscripts to: Lisa Young Larance, at [llarance@csswashtenaw.org](mailto:llarance@csswashtenaw.org)

### FREE GRANT WRITING SEMINARS

OCJS is hosting several free Grant Writing Seminars in 2010. The 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, November 30; and Tuesday, December 21.

All trainings will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in 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 registration form, visit:

[http://publicsafety.ohio.gov/links/ocjs\\_TrainingForm.pdf](http://publicsafety.ohio.gov/links/ocjs_TrainingForm.pdf)

### FAMILY ENGAGEMENT AND JUVENILE JUSTICE ROUNDTABLES

**Dates & Locations:** November 10 – Columbus

**Register Now – Space is limited!**

The Supreme Court of Ohio Specialized Dockets Section, Ohio Department of Youth Services, and the Global Issues Resource Center at Cuyahoga Community College have partnered to host two roundtables during 2010. Who should attend: All juvenile justice practitioners and their partners. CEUs, Social Work, Counselor credits, and RCH are available. Psychology credits are being explored. To request a registration brochure, contact Global Issues Resource Center at 216.987.2224 or [Shawn.McElroy@tri-c.edu](mailto:Shawn.McElroy@tri-c.edu)

### WEBINAR - THE FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER ALLIANCE: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND THE MILITARY

**Date:** Thursday, November 11 at 9:00 a.m. PST

Presenter is Deborah D. Tucker, MPA Executive Director National Center on Domestic and Sexual Violence

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

### REVISED OHIO STANDARDS FOR BATTERERS INTERVENTION: HOLDING BATTERERS ACCOUNTABLE ACROSS SYSTEMS

**Date:** Friday, November 19, 2010 / 1:00 - 4:00 PM

**Location:** Gahanna Public Library, 31 Granville St., Gahanna, Ohio 43230 (just outside of Columbus)

**Fee:** \$0

**Deadline:** November 12, 2010 or until full

**To register:** [www.odvn.org](http://www.odvn.org)

With support of Battersers Intervention Committee (BIC) of Ohio Domestic Violence Network (ODVN), ODVN has just revised the Ohio Standards for Battersers Intervention. ODVN believes that batterers intervention programs (BIPS) must be a part of the coordinated community response to domestic violence that promotes safety for survivors, children, and the community. It is important that not only BIPs but also their community partners have a deeper understanding of the Standards for Battersers Intervention.

In this BIP regional training, participants will learn about what's new in the Standards, including a section on working with marginalized communities, such as immigrant/ refugee, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ), women and others. The participants will also have an opportunity to explore how to apply the Standards. Questions? Contact Dona at [donap@odvn.org](mailto:donap@odvn.org) or 800-934-9840 ext. 228.

## **ETHICS FOR SOCIAL WORKERS & COUNSELORS**

**Date:** November 29, 2010 & March 30, 2011

**Location:** Youngstown, Ohio

Right or Wrong? Good or bad? Helpful or hurtful? These are questions we must answer in order to determine rules of conduct. Rules of conduct then define our professional and ethical behavior.

This workshop will address the ethical issues that practitioners face in their every day work.

### **Objectives:**

- 1) To gain understanding of professional behavior,
- 2) To increase knowledge of the code of ethics,
- 3) To make the practitioner aware of situations that can arise during the course of providing services to clients.

**Presenter:** Karen Vadino, MSW, LPCC, OCPSII

[http://www.ontasc.com/on\\_tasc\\_registration.pdf](http://www.ontasc.com/on_tasc_registration.pdf)

## **SAVE THE DATE: MAPPING THE FUTURE: 2010 OHIO HOUSING CONFERENCE**

**Dates:** November 30 – December 2, 2010

**Location:** The Greater Columbus Convention Center

## **7TH ANNUAL OHIO SUICIDE PREVENTION COALITION CONFERENCE**

**Date:** December 1st & 2nd, 2010

**Location:** Embassy Suites Columbus Airport – 2886 Airport Drive Columbus Ohio 43219

Featuring: Thomas Joiner Ph.D. academic psychologist, leading expert on suicide and Author of “Why People Die By Suicide” and “Myths About Suicide.”

[Conference Registration & Brochure](#)

## **SAVE THE DATE: HOW DID YOU SLEEP LAST NIGHT? – A Sleep Out for Mental Illness**

**Date:** May 10, 2011 – 4:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

**Location:** Ohio Statehouse

Join NAMI Ohio for the Sleep Out for Mental Illness to call our lawmakers’ attention to the impact of their funding decisions.

### ONLINE COURSES TRAIN JUVENILE JUSTICE MANAGERS

The [National Juvenile Court Services Association](#) has designed an online training curriculum to train juvenile justice managers. Sponsored by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, the Professional Juvenile Justice Manager (PJMM) certificate program includes [a series of online courses](#). Students will spend two weeks on each course, working on basic lecture material, specialized readings, and self-assessment questions.

The program is designed to train staff and to provide certification for supervisors currently in the field. Those who successfully complete the program will receive certification from the American Probation and Parole Association. Resources: To access a list of PJMM courses and register online, visit [www.njcsacertification.org/course/ca\\_tegory.php?id=29](http://www.njcsacertification.org/course/ca_tegory.php?id=29).

### U.S. INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS TO HOST LIVE WEBCAST ON ENDING VETERANS HOMELESSNESS

On Tuesday, November 9, the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH) will host a webcast to discuss interagency initiatives to end Veterans Homelessness in relation to this year's first-ever comprehensive strategic plan to prevent and end homelessness, *Opening Doors*.

Participating in the webinar will be:

- Deputy Assistant Secretary for Special Needs Mark Johnston, Department of Housing and Urban Development
- Executive Director, Veterans Homelessness Initiatives Susan Angell, Department of Veterans Affairs
- Deputy Assistant Secretary for Operations and Management John McWilliam, Department of Labor
- Deputy Assistant Secretary for Human Services Policy David Harris, Department of Health and Human Services
- Deputy Director Anthony Love, United States Interagency Council on Homelessness

The webcast will be available on [www.hud.gov/webcasts](http://www.hud.gov/webcasts), on **Tuesday, November 9, 2010 from 2:00-2:45 p.m. ET.**

During the webcast, questions can be asked via email at [Homelessness@hud.gov](mailto:Homelessness@hud.gov).

### WEBINAR - PEER SUPPORT AND VETERANS: VETERAN'S CENTERS AND BEYOND

**Date:** Tuesday, November 16<sup>th</sup> – 3:00-5:00pm ET

This webinar will provide you with information about: (1) peer support for veterans and the current state of this field, (2) roles that veterans are playing in the VA system, creating their own peer support programs and collaborating community based consumer organizations and networks and (4) examples of innovative collaborations that are emerging between veterans, consumer operated services and networks and local VA Centers.

**Presenter:**

Daniel O'Brien-Mazza, Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Mental Health Services;  
 Moe Armstrong, Veteran Advocate, Vet-to-Vet;  
 Laurie Harkness, Veteran Affairs Connecticut Healthcare System's Errera Community Care Center (ECCC); and  
 Deborah Delman, Massachusetts Transformation Center

### Call/Login-in Information

1. To participate, simply call **1-888-324-8501**. Your conference number is **PW8985187** and your audience passcode is: **GDTR** (Please note the passcode is **GDTR** not JDTR).

2. On your computer, go to the following link:

<https://www.mymeetings.com/nc/join.php?i=PW8985187&p=GDTR&t=c>

## **BJA 2010 NATIONAL CONFERENCE: ADVANCING JUSTICE THROUGH EVIDENCE AND INNOVATION**

**Dates:** December 6–8

**Location:** Washington, D.C. at the Washington Hilton Hotel.

**There is no registration fee for the BJA Conference.**

The conference will emphasize how evidence and innovation can be leveraged to improve the Nation's justice systems and to ensure community safety, and how BJA funding is supporting this approach across the Nation. The conference will feature plenary sessions and numerous workshops that will address key developments and initiatives that are impacting the criminal justice system today and how other communities can use available funding to further these efforts in their communities to reduce costs, align local systems with future trends, and improve system efficiency and effectiveness. All BJA grantees are strongly encouraged to attend these events. Attending this Conference is an allowable cost under all BJA grant programs.

**[ONLINE REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!](#)**

## **2010 JOINT MEETING ON ADOLESCENT TREATMENT EFFECTIVENESS (JMATE)**

**Date:** December 14-16, 2010

**Location:** Baltimore, MD

The overarching theme for JMATE 2010 is "*Synergy Envisioned ~ Action Inspired.*" The purpose of this theme is to continue to promote synergistic working relationship among researchers, policymakers, youth/families, program planners, and service providers and to inspire action to improve the health and well being of youth and families. Utilizing the most cutting edge research, JMATE 2010 will serve as a platform for service providers and researchers to work in concert with youth/families/communities; juvenile justice; education; and child welfare.

**<http://www.jmate.org/jmate2010/>**

**REENTRY PROGRAM DIRECTOR**

Hamilton County, OH is seeking a reentry program director to coordinate the creation and execution of a public-private reentry strategic plan for the County. The plan will be a unified collection of shared goals and commitments by government, non-profit and faith-based agencies that will measurably improve the community reintegration of offenders returning from the criminal justice system. The program director will work with a task force to develop recommendations to eliminate or reduce barriers confronting offenders returning to their communities; identify gaps in reentry services and work with existing providers to develop remedies; collaborate with a wide range of stakeholders engaged in offender transition issues; and support the preparation of grant applications to secure funding to create and sustain evidence-based reentry initiatives. The position is grant-funded for one year with the potential for two renewal years. **Qualifications:** Bachelor's degree (master's preferred) in public administration, criminal justice or relevant area and five years managerial experience (or equivalent combination of training and/or experience); thorough knowledge of justice system operations; demonstrated ability to plan and implement programs and projects, persuade reluctant stakeholders, communicate effectively, and synthesize information to provide clear analysis and suggest concrete solutions.

Visit <http://www.hamiltoncountyohio.gov/hr/BOCCCoverPage2.asp> for application details.  
Deadline for application: November 9, 2010.

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