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2013 SPECIALIZED DOCKETS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ROUNDTABLES

2013 SPECIALIZED DOCKETS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ROUNDTABLE DATES & RSVP

The technical assistance roundtable dates (listed by jurisdiction below) are specifically designed for the person on a specialized docket team responsible for drafting the application, local rule/administrative order, program description, participant handbook, and participant agreement in order to apply for certification. Specialized Docket Section staff will be available to answer specific questions regarding drafted aforementioned materials prior to applying for certification.

Please note:

- Space is limited for these roundtables.
- Attendees should bring hard copy drafts of certification materials. For a complete listing of the certification material guidelines, please [click here](#).
- These roundtables are free and a box lunch will be provided.
- Be sure to sign up for the appropriate jurisdiction.

All meetings are 10:00am – 2:00pm and at the Judicial Center

Common Pleas	April 5	Send your RSVP to: Charlsia.Brown@sc.ohio.gov
Juvenile and Family	April 26	Send your RSVP to: Charlsia.Brown@sc.ohio.gov
Municipal	May 10	Send your RSVP to: Charlsia.Brown@sc.ohio.gov

2013 OSDPN SUB-NETWORK MEETINGS

2013 OSDPN Sub-Network Meeting Dates & RSVP

All meetings are 10:00am – 2:00pm and at the Judicial Center unless noted otherwise.

Judges	<p>Friday, May 17</p> <p>Wednesday, November 20— OSU Fawcett Center (5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.)</p> <p>*Please indicate which date you plan to attend in your RSVP.</p>	<p>*Send your RSVP to: Charlsia.Brown@sc.ohio.gov</p>
Program Coordinators	<p>Wednesday, June 12 Tuesday, September 17</p> <p>*Please indicate which date you plan to attend in your RSVP.</p>	<p>*Send your RSVP to: Charlsia.Brown@sc.ohio.gov</p>
Probation Officers	<p>Thursday, June 6 Friday, September 13</p> <p>*Please indicate which date you plan to attend in your RSVP.</p>	<p>Send your RSVP to: Charlsia.Brown@sc.ohio.gov</p>

2013 COMMISSION ON SPECIALIZED DOCKETS MEETING DATES

The 2013 *Commission on Specialized Dockets* meeting dates are scheduled as follows:

April 10, 2013

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

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

NEWS

SPECIAL COURT ASSISTS VETERANS

Kieran Carroll brought all of his limbs home with him when he returned from his military service in Iraq, despite having one of the most dangerous jobs possible. The 26-year-old Oakley resident, who found and destroyed improvised explosive devices, also brought home a Purple Heart and great memories of the family his U.S. Army unit became. "It was a terrifying mission. We'd go out and find the bombs before they found us," Carroll said with a slight, ironic grin. [More...](#)

JUDGES GIVEN MORE DISCRETION TO SEND LOW LEVEL FELONY OFFENDERS TO PRISON

The Ohio legislature has given judges back discretion in sentencing lower level felony offenders to prison.

Since House Bill 86 was enacted a couple years ago, judges in Butler County and elsewhere have been telling low-level felony offenders that the legislature has prohibited them from handing out prison terms for first-time offenders. That prohibition was basically repealed about a week ago when a new law took effect. [More...](#)

NEW FELONY SENTENCING GUIDELINES TAKE EFFECT

Ohio judges can now sentence those who commit fourth and fifth degree felonies, the lowest felony levels, to prison for a first time offense in more cases. The new Ohio bill went into effect on March 22. In September 2010, Senate Bill 86 limited the ability of judges to send many first-time felons to prison for committing fourth and fifth degree felonies. Those typically include drug possession, various thefts, and some assaults. [More...](#)

VETERANS COURT CLASS GRADUATES

Megan Price is only the second woman to complete the local Veterans Court. "I kind of feel special," Price said. Price and seven other veterans graduated Wednesday in a ceremony in Mansfield Municipal Court. Veterans Court, started by Municipal Judge Jerry Ault in November 2009, was the first of its kind in Ohio. In January 2010, it expanded to include Municipal Judge Frank Ardis Jr. [More...](#)

WEBINARS

WOMAN'S JOURNEY HOME: CHALLENGES FOR REENTERING WOMEN

Presenter: Stephanie Covington, Ph.D., LCS, Center for Gender & Justice (La Jolla, CA)

Date & Time: Wednesday, April 10, 2013; 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Central Time

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

Webinar Description: During the past 25 years, our knowledge and understanding of women's lives has increased dramatically and this information has impacted and improved services for women, particularly in the areas of health, education, employment, mental health, substance abuse, and trauma treatment. At present, however, both a need and an opportunity exist to bring knowledge from other fields into the criminal justice system to develop effective programs for women, including those reentering their communities after serving time in jail or prison. Until recently, theory and research on criminality focused on crimes perpetrated by men, with male offenders viewed as the norm. Historically, correctional programming for women has thus been based on profiles of male criminality or paths to crime. However, the policies, services, and programs that focus on the overwhelming number of men in the corrections system often fail to identify gender- and culturally responsive options for women's specific needs. While men and women face some similar challenges upon returning to the community, the intensity, multiplicity, and specificity of their needs, and the most effective ways for addressing those needs, are very different.

LUNCHTIME WEBINAR FOR DIRECTORS AND MANAGERS: TIPS AND BEST PRACTICES FOR ACHIEVING BATTERER INTERVENTION PROGRAM (BIP) SUCCESS

Date & Time: Tuesday, April 16, 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Nationally recognized trainers Jeffrie Cape and David Garvin will present a webinar and answer questions about best practices and policies involved in setting up and running a batterer intervention program in your agency. This event is intended primarily for program directors and BIP facilitators, though open to other domestic violence program staff as well. Learn from some of the most experienced program directors in the country about common mistakes and pitfalls as well as what gives your program the best chance for success, supporting men who batter to become nonviolent in their relationships and become better men.

RECLAIMING FUTURES: A MODEL FOR COMMUNITIES HELPING TEENS OVERCOME DRUGS, ALCOHOL AND CRIME

Date & Time: Tuesday, April 30, 2013, 10:00 - 11:00 PST / 1:00 - 2:00 EST

[Click here to register](#)

This webinar is designed for those wanting to learn more about the Reclaiming Futures model and how the model has been adopted as a cost-effective juvenile justice reform initiative. The webinar will (1) overview the compelling need, (2) describe Reclaiming Futures, and (3) describe how the framework of Reclaiming Futures is pointing to better outcomes for youth.

NATIONAL TA CENTER WEBINAR SERIES

The National Technical Assistance Center for Children's Mental Health conducts monthly webinars through our National TA Webinar Series. These webinars generally occur on the third Thursday of each month from 1:00 - 2:30 PM E.T.

Participation in the webinar series requires that you register using the online registration form below. There are no registration fees to listen to or participate in these webinars.

<http://gucchdtacenter.georgetown.edu/resources/2011calls.html>

Call for Proposals

OHIO ALLIANCE TO END SEXUAL VIOLENCE

Every year the Ohio Alliance to End Sexual Violence hosts a statewide conference for prevention specialists, victim service advocates, and allied professionals. This year we request your knowledge of best practice, current trends, and innovative topics. Please consider presenting at the 2013 OAESV Annual Conference!

CONFERENCE THEME & GOALS:

The theme of this year's conference is *Turning Up The Volume* on ending sexual and intimate partner violence. This request seeks workshop proposals that increase our efforts, build further capacity, shine a spotlight on our work, reenergize our commitments, or address innovative practices in prevention or intervention. In addition, we seek workshop proposals that focus on social media and social change. Applicants are encouraged to submit proposals for workshops that include engaging activities that offer the opportunity for hands-on learning. The OAESV statewide conference is a place to share, discuss, and explore the connections and creative solutions essential to our efforts to end violence.

If you are interested in submitting a proposal, follow this link:

<http://www.oaevs.org/2013-oaevs-annual-statewide-conference/> then complete and submit the proposal form by the **April 15, 2013 deadline**.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Conference Date: June 26-27, 2013

Conference Location: Conference Center at OCLC, 6600 Kilgour Place, Dublin, OH 43017, Phone: (614) 764-6000

Please contact Jasmine Finnie, Statewide Prevention Coordinator, if you have any questions or concerns: jfinnie@oaevs.org, 216-658-1381 ext. 123.

FUNDING

INTERMEDIARY ORGANIZATIONS SERVING JUVENILE OFFENDERS IN HIGH-POVERTY, HIGH-CRIME COMMUNITIES

Deadline: April 15th, 2013

The U.S. Department of Labor (we, the Department or DOL), Employment and Training Administration (ETA), announces the availability of \$20,000,000 in grant funds authorized by the Workforce Investment Act for four intermediary grants to operate multi-site projects to serve juvenile offenders and in-school youth at-risk of offending, ages 14 and above, in high-poverty, high-crime communities.

Funder: Employment and Training Administration

Eligibility: Any non-profit organization with IRS 501(c)(3) status with the capacity to implement multi-site, multi-state projects may apply for these grants. See Section IV.B.4. of the Solicitation for Grants Application or guidance on submission of supporting documentation. Applicants awarded a grant are not allowed to provide program services to participants. Program services under this grant must be provided by subgrantees.

Amount: up to \$5,000,000

Contact: [Link](#).

SAMHSA DRUG COURT GRANTS NOW AVAILABLE

Deadline: April 19, 2013

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) is accepting applications for fiscal year (FY) 2013 Grants to Expand Substance Abuse Treatment in Adult, Juvenile, and Family Drug Courts. Historically, turnout for this solicitation has been low. Don't miss this outstanding opportunity to fund your program.

Eligible models: Adult Drug Courts, Co-Occurring Drug and Mental Health Courts, DWI Courts, Family Drug Courts, Juvenile Drug Courts, Tribal Healing to Wellness Courts, and Veterans Treatment Courts.

Purpose: This program exists to expand and/or enhance substance abuse treatment services to addicted offenders. We encourage you to review the solicitation carefully as these grants can fund several different initiatives. In addition, consider that NADCP and its professional services branches offer a suite of services that can be funded through this grant, and it can also be used to fund your team's attendance at the NADCP Annual Training Conference and Vet Court Con.

Application: <http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/2013/ti-13-005.aspx>

DRUG-FREE COMMUNITIES MENTORING PROGRAM

Deadline: April 23rd, 2013

The primary goal of the Mentoring grant is to assist newly forming coalitions in becoming eligible to apply for DFC funding on their own. It is the intent of the DFC Mentoring Program that, at the end of the Mentoring grant, each Mentee coalition will meet all of the Statutory Eligibility Requirements of the DFC Program and will be fully prepared to compete for the DFC grant on their own. Grantees will be expected to achieve this goal by implementing the following objectives: 1. Strengthen Mentee coalition's organizational

structure 2. Increase Mentee coalition's leadership and community readiness to address youth substance use problems in the Mentee community 3. Assist the Mentee coalition in working through a strategic planning process that will result in a comprehensive Action Plan.

Funder: Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration

Eligibility: Only currently funded DFC grantees are eligible to apply. See link for complete eligibility information.

Amount: up to \$75,000

Contact: [Link](#).

THE HEALTHPATH FOUNDATION OF OHIO'S COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS GRANT PROGRAM

The HealthPath Foundation of Ohio's Community Connections Grant Program focuses on bringing evidence-based and promising practices to [the Foundation's 36-county service area](#). In 2013, our Community Connections initiative will focus on increasing access to healthcare, including primary, oral, specialty, and behavioral health care. Specifically, we will invest in projects that address barriers to healthcare, such as lack of insurance or providers, language and cultural issues, transportation, and other barriers. We are sponsoring a **full-day Community Connections Pre-Application Workshop** for 2013 grants in Gahanna, Ohio (near Columbus), **on Friday, April 26**. We also are sponsoring **half-day workshops** in Portsmouth, Ohio (Monday, April 29) and St. Clairsville, Ohio (Tuesday, April 30). You need only attend one workshop. We are inviting safety net healthcare and social service organizations interested in submitting a letter of intent to attend. Only those organizations serving residents of one or more counties in the [Foundation's service area](#) will be eligible to apply for a Community Connections grant.

[Get more information](#)

[Register Now!](#)

OJJDP ANNOUNCES MENTORING FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) has announced the following fiscal year 2013 funding opportunities:

[National Mentoring Programs](#). This program supports the implementation, delivery, and enhancement of mentoring services to improve outcomes for at-risk, high-risk, or underserved youth. **Applications are due by 11:59 p.m. ET on April 29, 2013.**

[Multi-State Mentoring Initiative](#). This solicitation will support qualified, established mentoring programs as they expand services for underserved at-risk and high-risk youth and enhance services to implement additional research- and evidence-based mentoring practices. **Applications are due by April 30, 2013.**

AT RISK YOUTH GRANTS

Deadline: April 1/July 1, 2013

The Carlson Family Foundation focuses on supporting youth mentoring programs that exhibit characteristics of high quality and excellence; fostering innovation and creativity within the field of youth mentoring and supporting efforts to increase the number of adult mentors to serve youth. The foundation awards most of its funds in the state of

Minnesota, but has awarded grants in other states. The trustees meet three times each year and the deadlines above correspond to the deadlines prior to each respective grant funding round. The foundation made about \$700,000 in grants last year. Eligibility is limited to non-profits and faith-based groups.

Information: www.clcfamilyfoundation.com/apply.asp Mary Owen, director, 550 Tonkawa Rd., Long Lake, MN 55356-9724, 919/604-0842.

THE OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

The Office on Violence Against Women recently released the Fiscal Year 2013 solicitation for its Court Training and Improvements Program. The solicitation offers two types of funding: (1) a 36-month development grant, to develop a specialized domestic violence/sexual assault docket or to enhance an existing docket/project; and (2) a 24-month supplemental training grant for judicial and/or staff education. Every grantee is required to seek technical assistance from one of the OVW-Designated Judicial Technical Assistance Providers for the Courts Program. They are listed in Appendix B, beginning on page 43 of the solicitation. The National Center for State Courts is one of them. The application packet is available at: <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/docs/courts-program-solicitaion-final-for-release.pdf>

EDUCATION, COMMUNITY NEEDS AND DIVERSITY/FAIRNESS FOCUS

Deadline: Ongoing

The Darden Restaurant Foundation (DRF), affiliated with the company that owns Olive Garden and Red Lobster restaurants, offers an array of community-based grants for the improvement of K-12 education. Darden makes grants in communities where it has facilities. Because they have operations across the country, chances are good there will be a facility in your back yard. Projects should meet community needs as well as emphasize diversity and fairness. Be aware that foundation board meetings are held quarterly in August, November, February and May. If you have a time sensitive project, it's best to check with DRF to see how much lead time they need for a grant application.

Information: Bob McAdam, Senior Vice President, Community Affairs, 407/245-5366; http://www.darden.com/com_overview_mission.asp

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 15th largest private foundation in the United States, with assets of more than \$3 billion, and ranks 20th in the nation for charitable giving.

Website: www.aecf.org

BUILD-A-BEAR WORKSHOP HAS SEVERAL FOUNDATIONS AND GIVING PROGRAMS TO FUND CHILDREN'S HEALTH & WELLNESS; APPLICATION DEADLINE VARIES

Build-A-Bear Workshop, Inc. awards grants to provide direct support for children in the areas of health and wellness through several foundations, including the Build-A-Bear Workshop Bear Hugs Foundation and the Build-A-Bear Workshop Foundation.

<http://www.buildabear.com/shopping/contents/content.jsp?catId=400002&id=700016>

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.

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").

SUPPORTING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIMS

Deadline: Varies by Program

The National Network to End Domestic Violence Fund (NNEDVF) teams up with the Allstate Foundation to support NNEDVF grants to aid domestic violence survivors. The program supports 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations whose core mission is to serve or represent victims of domestic violence and their children. The effort also provides small grants to survivors of domestic violence (women and their families) to help them achieve their educational and job related goals. Any survivor of domestic violence is eligible to apply; however, the application must be completed by a local domestic violence program or coalition to be accepted. Applications will be assessed based on the need. There are a variety of grants available such as one that works through state coalitions to train advocates and encourage economic independence from abusers. Information:

<http://www.allstate.com/foundation/domestic-violence-grants.aspx> or 202/543-5566.

OHIO TRAININGS

THE JUDICIAL COLLEGE ANNOUNCES ITS 2013 COURSE CALENDAR [Court Personnel Course Schedule 2013](#)

2013 OHIO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE NETWORK TRAININGS

All of ODVN's training opportunities are posted online under the "training" tab at www.odvn.org. The trainings listed below, as well as additional trainings that get scheduled will be there, so check the website regularly! Dates for June-December 2013 are being confirmed and will be available shortly.

COHHIO'S ANNUAL STATEWIDE CONFERENCE

Date: April 15 & 16, 2013

Location: Sheraton Columbus at Capitol Square

Join us for 24 stimulating workshops, fascinating plenary speakers, networking opportunities with your peers from across the state, and the news and information you need to help solve Ohio's housing challenges.

[Visit our Housing Ohio 2013 Conference page](#)

6TH ANNUAL SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH CONFERENCE

Date: Wednesday, April 17, 2013 9:00am-4:00pm (Registration 8:30-9:00)

Location: Ohio Fire Academy: 8895 E Main St, Reynoldsburg, OH 43068

Deadline for registration is April 10, 2013. Registration is free. CEU's and CLE's have been applied for. Pre-registration is required to receive a CEU, CLE or certificate of attendance. Lunch will be on your own. Space is limited; therefore we encourage you to sign up as soon as possible for this free training.

Continuing legal education credits as well as continuing education for social workers and counselors have been applied for. Confirmation email will be sent out in April to notify you that your seat is reserved. This conference is open to Advocates, Law Enforcement, Prosecutors, lawyers, SANE's and other service providers working with victims of interpersonal violence in Ohio. The purpose of this conference is to raise awareness around the issues Immigrant and Refugee survivors are currently facing regarding sexual and domestic violence. The goal is to increase the competence of healthcare professionals and service providers working with Immigrant and Refugee survivors who encounter these issues. For registration please click on survey monkey link:

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s3/1146999/April-17-2013-SAAM-Conference-Registration>

3RD 2013 PUBLIC POLICY TELECONFERENCE: STRANGULATION

Date: Tuesday, April 23, 2013

Time: 10-11 A.M.

Ruth Downing, Strangulation Expert, would like to tell you how serious it is. ACTION OHIO proposes that it's time for Ohio law to recognize its severity.

To RSVP, e-mail actionohio@sbcglobal.net by 4/22/13. All participants will receive toll free number, passcode & resources before call. For more info, call 614 825-0551 or toll free 888 622-9315 or e-mail actionohio@sbcglobal.net or fax 614 825-0673.

HELPING ABUSE VICTIMS FIND HOUSING & HOME

Date & Time: Friday, April 26, 2013; 10 A.M.-3:30 P.M.

Cost: Free

Location: 1133 S. Edwin C. Moses Blvd. Dayton, OH 45417

Who Should Attend: Anyone who assists abuse victims by providing support, resources & referral.

Featuring Attorney Joe Maskovyak, Ohio Poverty Law Center. Co-Presenter Supervising Attorney Debra Lavey, Legal Aid of Western Ohio - Dayton Office

Co-Sponsors Artemis Center & ACTION OHIO Coalition for Battered Women. RSVP by April 24 by calling or e-mailing. Toll Free 888 622-9315 or actionohio@sbcglobal.net.

Participants may brown bag lunch or visit nearby restaurants.

OHIO'S 2013 OPIATE CONFERENCE: TURNING THE TIDE TOGETHER

The Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities, in partnership with the Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services and the Ohio Rehabilitation Services Commission, is pleased to present Ohio's 2013 Opiate Conference: Turning the Tide Together. Attendees will have an opportunity to participate in one of three Pre-Conference Workshops on the afternoon of April 29th as well as the full Conference on April 30th. OACBHA is excited to announce that U.S. Senator Rob Portman and Chris Jones, a health scientist with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, will be the keynote speakers on April 30th. Ohio's state and local leaders will share their efforts and plans to address Ohio's opiate epidemic, while a cross-section of professionals dealing with the health, legal and community implications will share how they are working to address the issues. This year's conference promises to be bigger and better than ever and we hope to see you there! To learn more and to register for this year's conference, click [here](#).

SAVE THE DATE! OHIO SPECIALIZED DOCKET PRACTITIONER NETWORK ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Date: November 21, 2013

Location: OSU Fawcett Center

The Specialized Dockets Practitioner Network 9th 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.

NATIONAL TRAININGS

TUNE-UP' WITH THE WORLD'S PREMIER FAMILY DRUG COURT TRAINING

NDCI's [Family Drug Court Operational Tune-Up](#) training gives you the skills to assess current practices and review critical operational components of your court. Has your Family Drug Court conducted a self-assessment recently? Is your Family Drug Court implementing effective, science-based methods for improving your program? Are best practices fully integrated in your Family Drug Court? Whether your program is new or has been in operation for years, this two-day training will help you formulate a strategic plan to address ways to improve policy and practice. You can request the Family Drug Court Operational Tune-Up as "Fee for Service" training. Upon your request, NDCI will work with you to bring the training directly to your jurisdiction for individual or multiple courts. We will design a training that fits your needs and develop a budget within your means. Interested? [Visit us online](#) to learn more, ask questions, and complete a training request form.

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/category.php?id=29.

TASC SAVE THE DATE! 19TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON DRUGS, CRIME AND REENTRY

Dates: May 8-10, 2013.

Location: Columbus, Ohio

More information, click [here](#).

COUNSELING ABUSERS

Dates: Wednesday, May 8 - 10, 2013

Location: Arlington, MA

This course is intended for anyone working with families affected by domestic violence. Past participants include batterer intervention program group leaders, supervisors and administrators, social workers, victim advocates, correctional staff, psychologists, violence prevention educators, substance abuse counselors, health care workers, probation and police officers, clergy, military personnel, and program managers. Participants will learn the Emerge curriculum and how it compares to other models. The training is structured to be highly interactive, including several participant role plays. This interactive structure allows participants to acquire and practice skills to be used in leading groups. For participants who work with victims and don't intend to lead groups, this training is a primer on what happens in abuser intervention groups. The course meets BIP group

leader training requirements in Massachusetts and in many other states. Over the past 6 years, over 1000 people from 45 states and 15 nations have taken this course. [Register Now!](#)

29TH ANNUAL NATIONAL RURAL INSTITUTE ON ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE

Date: June 9-13, 2013

Location: Menomonie, Wisconsin

This unique rural alcohol and drug abuse conference provides participants the opportunity to personally interact with other rural alcohol and drug abuse professionals, federal agency representatives and nationally known institute faculty and resource individuals while accessing the latest in evidence-based practices for the improvement of rural services. Key resource professionals from throughout the United States will present preconference sessions, intensive study tracks, mini-workshops and special topics on current innovative and emerging topics, providing 25 hours of training. To register, [click here](#).

JUSTICE FOR VETS: VETERANS TREATMENT COURT CONFERENCE (Vet Court Con)

Date: December 2-5, 2013

Location: Washington, D.C.

Justice For Vets is proud to announce Vet Court Con, the nation's first convention dedicated to Veterans Treatment Courts and justice-involved veterans. Mark your calendars, Vet Court Con will be held December 2-5, 2013 at the Marriot Wardman Park in Washington, DC. Veterans Treatment Court professionals, volunteer veteran mentors, and other justice, clinical or former/current military personnel dedicated to helping our wounded warriors involved in the criminal justice system suffering from substance abuse and trauma should attend this conference. For more information, [click here](#).

Research & Resources

VIOLENCE AND VICTIMIZATION RESEARCH DIVISION'S COMPENDIUM OF RESEARCH ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

NIJ's [Violence and Victimization Research Division's Compendium of Research on Violence Against Women](#) has been revised to include new information.

This regularly updated compendium lists and briefly describes all of the projects funded under NIJ's Violence Against Women and Family Violence Program.

[View all recently added publications and multimedia.](#)

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