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January 21, 2010

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.*

Please note: Please be sure to enter the meeting date in the subject line.

Judges	March 19 – Dublin Embassy Suites (1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.) Sept. 8 – Dublin Embassy Suites (2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.) Nov. 17 – Worthington Doubletree Suites (5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.)	Send your RSVP to: Kevin.Lottes@sc.ohio.gov
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Please note: All other sub-network meeting dates will be announced in January.

SAVE THE DATE!

2010 OSDPN ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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.

2010 ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON SPECIALIZED DOCKETS MEETING DATES

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

February 19, 2010

April 23, 2010

June 18, 2010

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 1, 2010

April 26, 2010

July 26, 2010

October 25, 2010

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

COURT'S OVI OFFENDER PROGRAM HAS FIRST GRADUATE

“Dave” has seemingly gotten his life turned right side up. The Butler County resident would go out every Friday night and drink, then wake up Saturdays in misery. “I had drank and had issues for 30 years. But where I was at this point, at this time, I was binge drinking on the weekends,” said the 49-year-old. “My health was bad and I have breathing problems, and alcohol doesn’t help that. I never would ask myself why I was doing this.” [More...](#)

OHIO LAWMAKERS WANT TO MANDATE PRESCRIPTION MONITORING BY DOCTORS

Even as prescription drug abuse reaches an all-time high, Ohio's doctors aren't using a statewide prescription monitoring database that allows them to check whether a patient is "pill shopping." The

powerful [Buckeye State Sheriffs' Association](#) wants that to change. The association, which has been working with the [Ohio State Board of Pharmacy](#) to write legislation with input from state lawmakers, plans to meet tomorrow] to discuss the proposed law. Their law – which they are still crafting – would require doctors, nurses, dentists and others with the power to prescribe medicine to consult the statewide database before prescribing narcotics for patients complaining of chronic pain. [More...](#)

PRISONERS OF PAROLE

In 2004, Steven Alm, a state trial judge in Hawaii, was frustrated with the cases on his docket. Nearly half of the people appearing before him were convicted offenders with drug problems who had been sentenced to probation rather than prison and then repeatedly violated the terms of that probation by missing appointments or testing positive for drugs. [More...](#)

SUPREME COURT DEBATES RIGHT TO COMMIT SEXUAL PREDATORS AFTER PRISON TERMS

A majority of Supreme Court justices seemed inclined Tuesday to accept that the federal government has the power to indefinitely hold prisoners who are deemed sexually dangerous, even if they have completed their sentences. Solicitor General [Elena Kagan](#) told the court that, when Congress passed a law authorizing civil commitments in such cases, it was doing "something pretty simple and very reasonable." But the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 4th Circuit said Congress exceeded its authority, because the power to authorize what is normally a state function cannot be found in the Constitution. [More...](#)

FUNDING

GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR ADULT DRUG COURTS

Deadline: February 11, 2010

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) is accepting applications for Implementation, Single Jurisdiction Enhancement and Statewide Grants under the Adult Drug Court Discretionary Grant Program. **PURPOSE:** To establish or enhance Drug Courts and systems for nonviolent substance-abusing offenders. For the purposes of this solicitation, **the definition of "Adult Drug Court" may include Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)/Driving Under the Influence (DUI) Courts, Co-Occurring Drug and Mental Health Courts, Veterans' Treatment Courts, and Community Courts.** **WHO CAN APPLY:** For Implementation and Single Jurisdiction Enhancement Grants, applicants are limited to states, state and local courts, counties, units of local government, and federally-recognized Indian tribal governments; Indian tribal governments may apply directly or through other public or not-for-profit private entities. For Statewide Grants, applicants are limited to state agencies such as the State Administering Agency (SAA), the Administrative Office of the Court, or the state Alcohol and Substance Abuse Agency. <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/grant/10AdultDrugCourtSol.pdf>

THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (SAMHSA) IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR MORE THAN \$29 MILLION IN GRANTS TO EXPAND SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT FOR JUVENILE DRUG COURTS

The purpose of this program is to expand and enhance substance abuse treatment services in courts using the Juvenile Drug Court model in order to provide alcohol and drug treatment, recovery support services and program coordination to juvenile defendants/defenders. It is expected that up to 27 grants will be awarded for up to three years. The average annual award amount for each grantee is expected to be up to \$325,000. **WHO CAN APPLY:** SAMHSA/CSAT is restricting eligibility to existing individual Juvenile Drug Courts or their Tribal/State or local governmental proxies who may apply on their behalf. **APPLICATION DUE DATE:** Applications must be received by February 23, 2010

Click here to view the solicitation: <http://www.samhsa.gov/Grants/2010/TI-10-004.aspx>

APPLICANTS SOUGHT FOR REENTRY DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS

Deadline: March 4, 2010

The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) and the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) invite applicants from state and local government agencies and federally recognized Indian tribes under their joint [Second Chance Act Adult and Juvenile Offender Reentry Demonstration Projects](#) solicitation. The Second Chance Act is intended to support the reentry of adult and juvenile offenders from prison, jail, or juvenile residential facilities into their communities. Resources: For further information about this solicitation, see the Program Announcement at <http://ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/grants/solicitations/FY2010/SecondChanceMentoring.pdf>.

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

Build-A-Bear Workshop, Inc. awards Children's Health & Wellness Champ-A-Champion Fur Kids grants twice annually to provide direct support for children in the areas of health and wellness. Grantees include childhood disease research foundations, child safety organizations, and organizations that serve children with special needs. Application deadlines are at the end of April, July, and October. Grant applications can be submitted through the Build-A-Bear Workshop Bear Hugs Foundation at <http://www.buildabear.com/aboutus/community/grants>. Organizations seeking unrestricted support for children are also encouraged to apply for grants through the nonprofit

Build-A-Bear Workshop Foundation. The foundation reviews grant applications on a rolling basis. Grants range between \$1,000 and \$10,000 each.

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

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").

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

THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF FAITH-BASED AND COMMUNITY INITIATIVES (GOFBCI) HAS RELEASED THE *FEED OHIO: SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM SUPPORT REQUEST FOR GRANT APPLICATIONS (RFGA)*

[Click here](#) to view the RFGA.

SUMMARY: GOFBCI is working to expand summer food and learning opportunities for low-income children through this Feed Ohio RFGA. This grant will provide funding for approved 2009 Ohio Department of Education (ODE) Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) sponsors to establish new and/or expand existing SFSP sites throughout the state during the summer of 2010. Applicants must include at least one new SFSP site in their proposals.

ELIGIBILITY: 2009 ODE approved SFSP sponsors. Organizations that are not 2009 ODE approved SFSP sponsors should partner with approved sponsors if they are interested in establishing a new SFSP site. A list of 2009 ODE approved SFSP sponsors is included as an attachment to the RFGA.

DEADLINE: February 8, 2010, 3:00 PM EST

Please submit any questions you may have by email to R1011218033@jfs.ohio.gov before January 11, 2010.

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

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.

THINKING FOR A CHANGE FACILITATOR TRAINING

Dates: February 16-19, 2010
March 2-5, 2010

Location: Corrections Training Academy (Orient, Ohio)

Time: 8:00 am – 4:30 pm daily

Registration: **Prison staff** – Participant names should be by sent by the UMA to Larry Thompson, Rona Dorsey, Brian Byorth and Coretta Pettway

DPCS staff – Participant names should be sent Chris Yanai, who will forward the names to Larry Thompson.

Community Partners – CTA course registration (see attached) should be completed and forwarded as directed on the form.

Two additional trainings are being scheduled, one for late March and another for mid-April. Registration information surrounding those dates will be distributed later this month. There will be a maximum of 20 participants per class and participants must completed all 4 days to be approved to facilitate the T4C program. Lodging can be arranged with staff at CTA. All training materials/supplies will be provided by CTA. If you have any questions, call (614) 877-4345 x 244

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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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.”

SAVE THE DATE! OCCA 9TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE: THEN AND NOW – OUTCOMES SINCE 2002 IN OHIO

Dates: May 20-21, 2010
Location: Columbus, Ohio
Website: www.occaonline.org

JUVENILE REENTRY IN CONCEPT AND PRACTICE

Date: January 26, 2010

Time: 2:00-3:30 PM Eastern Time

Juvenile justice reentry, sometimes called "reintegration" or "aftercare," refers to the functions, services, and practices that occur during confinement (or out-of-home placement) and after release into the community. Continuity of care, overarching case management, appropriate staffing, and cognitive-behavioral intervention are increasingly being recognized as foundational, evidence-based building blocks in the design and operation of juvenile reentry. This webinar will address these key components of juvenile reentry and will include discussion of assessing and classifying reoffending risk, needs, and strengths; balancing social control and services; blending sanctions and incentives into a graduated response system designed to promote law abidance and pro-social behavior change; and managing technical violations. **For more information and to register, please [click here](#).**

11TH ANNUAL MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF DRUG COURT PROFESSIONALS CONFERENCE

Dates: Feb. 2-3, 2010

Location: Lansing, MI

For more information or to register please go to madcp.org

AUDIO CONFERENCE: ENDING THE INSTITUTIONAL CIRCUIT CHANGING SYSTEMS TO CHANGE LIVES

Date: Wednesday, January 27, 2010

Time: 2:00 to 3:00 ET

A growing body of research provides ample evidence of the failure of existing, fragmented systems of care in meeting the needs of persons who repeatedly cycle through our shelter, correctional, and emergency health care systems. These persons - often referred to as "frequent users" or "high utilizers" of public services - have complex health and behavioral health problems but do not have access to a coordinated system of care where their health issues can be successfully managed. This dynamic, coupled with a lack of stable housing, forces frequent users through a revolving door of multiple, costly crisis services and institutional settings. Our guest speakers will talk about opportunities, challenges and some of the successes that they have experienced with programs focused on frequent users of health and correctional systems. Additionally, CSH policy staff will provide the latest information available regarding health care reform and its impact on vulnerable, low-income populations, including frequent users of health systems.

Presenters on this call will include:

- Heather Lyons, Senior Program Manager, CSH Consulting Group (Moderator)
- Peggy Bailey, Senior Policy Advisor, CSH
- Brenda Goldstein, Psychosocial Services Director, LifeLong Medical Care, Berkeley, California
- Mikkel Beckmen, Executive Director, St. Stephen's Human Services, Inc., Minneapolis, Minnesota

To Register:

To register for this Audio-Conference, [click here](#).

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

NADCP 16TH ANNUAL DRUG COURT TRAINING CONFERENCE

Date: June 2-5, 2010

Location: Boston, MA

Website: <http://nadcp.camp8.org/>

RESEARCH

RIGHT-SIZING PRISONS

Around the country, business leaders are advocating for public safety policies that control corrections costs, keep communities safe and ensure states have the workforce they need for a thriving economy. The [Public Safety Performance Project](#) recently asked business leaders at the forefront of these efforts to participate in a question and answer session on their approach to working with policy makers on public safety issues. They shared strategies for overcoming political challenges to reform and specific policy changes that are already yielding positive results in their states.

The business leaders featured were:

- Dave Adkisson, president and CEO, the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce; chairman of the board, American Chamber of Commerce Executives
- Barney T. Bishop III, president and CEO, Associated Industries of Florida
- Frank H. Beal, executive director, Chicago Metropolis 2020; board member, Business and Professional People for the Public Interest
- James R. Holcomb, vice president for business advocacy and associate general counsel, Michigan Chamber of Commerce
- Erin Hubert, vice president and general managers, Entercom Radio; board chair, Citizens Crime Commission

View Full Report: [Right-Sizing Prisons: Business Leaders Make the Case for Corrections Reform](#) (Adobe PDF)

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