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TO: Juvenile Justice Providers and Stakeholders

FROM: Wayne Bear, JDCAP Executive Director

RE: 2018 PA Juvenile Justice Services Conference hosted by JDCAP

On behalf of JDCAP, I invite you to attend the 2018 PA Juvenile Justice Services Conference held at the Kalahari Resort and Convention Center, Pocono Mountains, September 26-28. JDCAP will be celebrating 40 years as a juvenile justice service member association. This year's conference theme is Built on the Past, Inspiring the Future!. In addition to the valuable networking opportunities, we have planned some excellent training sessions.

Conference Schedule- Our conference is scheduled for September 26-28 at the Kalahari Resort and Conventions, in Pocono Mountains. Detailed conference agenda will be made available on the JDCAP website at www.jdcap.org. If you have any questions about the agenda, please call Wayne at (717) 736-4717 or email him at wbear@pacounties.org

Conference Registrations- *Copy the enclosed registration form for each individual attending the conference*, complete form and mail with your check payable to "JDCAP" to the address listed on the form. If you have registration questions, please call Lori Lawyer, Information Systems Administrator at (717) 736-4712 or email her at llawyer@pacounties.org.

Hotel Reservations- Hotel reservations should be made directly with the Kalahari Resort and Convention Center with either a one night's deposit per room or credit card information.

The housing deadline is August 26 so don't delay - make your reservation as soon as possible. The hotel cannot guarantee the conference rate after that date. Our Group Reservation Number for the JDCAP room block code is JDCAP 2018. Make your reservation by calling the Kalahari Resort and Convention Center at 877-525-2427.

CEU's- All sessions are pending approval by Temple University Harrisburg for social work continuing education hours. (CE's). If approved, CE's will be awarded for completion of identified workshops. Temple University Harrisburg is a PA State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists, and Professional Counselor pre-approved provider of continuing education.

I look forward to seeing you in September.

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AGENDA

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Wednesday, September 26

7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Registration

7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

GENERAL SESSION

8:30 - 9:00 a.m.

“Youth and Family Engagement: Promoting Ownership for Successful Outcome”

Shaiheed K. Days, Philadelphia System of Care

9:30 -10:30 a.m.

“Youth and Family Panel”

This is a general session offering a facilitated discussion with youth and family members who have successfully navigated their way through the juvenile justice system. During this session panelists will offer their insights about what was beneficial to them from staff or agencies, what types of support would be most helpful, what examples of positive engagement look like how that was helpful.

Shaiheed K. Days, Philadelphia System of Care

10:30 -11:30 a.m.

“Strategic Planning Discussions”

During this session, attendees will be asked to join one of four small groups who will meet and identify actionable items for JDCAP’s consideration over the next year.

How do we improve public perceptions of our field?

How do mid-managers better support their staff?

How do we improve the synergy between school, clinical services, daily operations and community/aftercare resources?

What support services, technical assistance or training is needed in the field to support agencies in engaging in positive cultural change activities?

Results/feedback from these discussions will be brought to JDCAP Executive Leadership and used to drive the 2019 Strategic Plan for the association.

11:30- 1:15 p.m.

Lunch (Included in registration fees)

AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSIONS

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1:30 - 4:30 p.m.

“Comorbidity of Trauma and Juvenile Delinquency”

This session is an interactive training designed to promote critical thinking, teamwork, positive interaction. During this session, attendees will learn how the experience of trauma and adverse childhood events contributes to a physiological, psychological and emotional process that can result in criminal thinking. Participants will learn how trauma effects the developing brain in children utero and after birth and alter the body’s stress response and executive functioning creating risk factors that contribute to juvenile delinquency. In other words, what occurs in the lives of infants and young children matters a great deal and can set the stage for a child’s entire life trajectory. Trauma can derail a child’s development if proper supports or treatment are not accessed. This session will also provide skills on how to recognize appropriate therapeutic interventions as well as other practices that can interrupt this process.

Amy Swigart, Butler County Juvenile Court Services

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“Dealing with Difficult People”

This session will engage attendees in open discussion regarding their experiences and perspectives on dealing with difficult people using a PowerPoint and handouts as aids and resources throughout the presentation. Attendees will be engaged in interactive activities to help identify the different types of “difficult” personalities as well as strategies for effectively working with the difficult individual. Attendees will be encouraged to engage in open discussion to build confidence in their skills for sharing feedback.

Travis Thome, Abraxas Academy

Terra Spotts Shaner, Abraxas Academy

“PTSD in Special Populations”

In this session, attendees will be provided an overview of the signs and symptoms of PTSD, especially the symptoms experienced by those who suffer from complex childhood trauma. The presenter will explore the unique way that trauma presents itself in victims of sex trafficking, and then we discuss the best treatments available for the victims of sex trafficking. It is important to note that trauma can present very differently in this population as opposed to other trauma victims. As a result, the treatment approach must be different as well. Finally, we finish the training by discussing the traumatic effects of losing a loved one to murder. Many of the juveniles in our system have witnessed and been victims of tremendous violence, and many of them have lost loved ones to violence. The traumatic grief that one experiences after losing a loved one to murder is significantly different than other types of grief or trauma. In this training, we explore that unique traumatic grief and discuss the best way to handle the symptoms that can arise from traumatic grief and loss due to violence.

Gary Martin, Westmoreland County Probation

“Recidivism Reduction through Career & Technical Education”

During this session, participants will learn effective ways to reduce recidivism by providing their reentry students with the knowledge and skill sets to start their careers. C-Tech’s hands-on training programs have shown a direct correlation to reducing recidivism across the nation. Join us as we explore C-Tech’s Highway to Success Model and demonstrate a pathway of Career Exploration. Student graduates exit the programs with multiple Industry Recognized Certifications as well as Industry Continuing Education Credits. Come take advantage of this opportunity to discuss how Skill Based Training can set your students on the right path.

David Brady, C-Tech International Training Team

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MORNING BREAKOUT SESSIONS

8 - 11:00 a.m.

“Scaffolding Interventions: Create Synergy, Cohesion and Alignment through an Explicit Framework”

This session will provide an explicit overarching framework that combines many of the best practices across disciplines and sectors. Leaders and practitioners will gain a better understanding of how to create a driving philosophy that incorporates many meaningful programs such as FGDM, MI, ART, educational programming etc...CSF and Buxmont Academy, model programs of IIRP, have implemented several of these programs with one guiding philosophy – restorative practice

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This emerging social science transcends traditional models of restorative justice and incorporates 21st Century skills and competencies needed for success and well-being. This session is more than gaining a 'tool' and will provide the foundational information needed to have a cohesive plan that could involve multiple stakeholders including staff, public schools, higher ed, courts, family, police and community.

Craig Adamson, Ph.D., CADC, Model Programs

Michael G. DeAntonio, Ph.D., Buxmont Academy

Paul Karaman III, M.A., Community Service Foundation (CSF)

“Social Media Awareness for Individual’s Working with Youth”

Social Media Awareness is a vital component to raising awareness, assisting individuals involved with youth by providing information, and promoting prevention since today’s teens are connected to each other and the world by means of digital technology. Social media education is important for youth, parent(s)/guardian(s) of youth, and individuals working with youth. Discussing the topics of social media, cyber bullying, sexting, dating, other online risky behaviors, the legal and non-legal consequences of risky online behavior, and prevention methods and tips, will provide participants with an understanding of the risks associated with social media use.

This presentation will focus on social media and sexting related issues pertaining to youth and the dangers of their online behaviors, including the legal and non-legal consequences. Prevention methods and tips for providers, parents, and those working with youth in regards to cyber bullying, sexting, dating violence, and other online risky behaviors will be discussed. Evidence based practices and the components of a successful program focusing on what the evidence supports “works,” including proposed and actual outcomes will also be addressed.

Devin N. Petrusky, Northumberland County Juvenile Court Services

“Activity Based Learning for Youth and Staff”

Activity Based Learning for Youth and Staff is an interactive training designed to promote critical thinking, teamwork, positive interaction and teach observation skills via games and activities. The activities can be used in a variety of settings; as a way to manage client interaction, as icebreakers during meetings or for programming group activity. The participants are encouraged to consider how each activity might be altered for use within their particular environment or clients. A materials list and instructions are available as a handout at the conclusion of the session. This training has been revised. Participants in this version will receive additional resources from previous versions.

Ebony N. Mitchell, Youth Detention Counselor Supervisor, PJJSC

Michael Hardy, PJJSC

“Educating Justice-Involved Youth”

Juvenile justice system decision makers from judicial and public policy perspectives have increasingly voiced concerns regarding the educational outcomes of justice-involved youth. It is believed that youth entering the justice system, tend to have poor academic track records,

And according to OJJDP publications, “system-involved youth, many of whom are students with disabilities or English language learners, are often the students in the greatest need of academic, emotional, and behavioral supports. Among the adjudicated youth population, there are three to four times more students with disabilities who require special education and/or related aids and services than among students in community schools. Many of these students may have been absent from school for extended periods of time, experienced personal and family traumas, and/or may suffer from emotional disturbances.” During this session, panelists will offer insights and guidance on the implementation of programs, services and advocacy needed to support youth in their efforts to transition away from the justice system toward independence and personal success.

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Amy DeLuca, M.Ed, Bureau of Special Education

Roni J. Russell, M.Ed., Pennsylvania Training and Technical Assistance Network

Deana Ramsey

Linda Abraham, Impact Project

Barbara Wakefield, Allegheny County

11:30 a.m.- 1:30 p.m. Awards Lunch (Included in registration fees)

AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSIONS

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“Effective Strategies for Changing Workplace Culture”

No matter how effective, professional or comfortable are our workplace environments, we can all identify unhealthy aspects within it. There may be unproductive behaviors or blatant violations of policy that have gone unaddressed for too long. Unfortunately when these things are permitted to exist they often become an acceptable part our workplace culture and therefore become difficult to eradicate or change. This session outlines a step by step process to motivate employees to identify, own and commit to changing unhealthy aspects within their own workplace culture. Participants are encouraged to adapt the steps into a workable process within their own environment.to address challenges of staff retention and how they might be applicable to Juvenile Justice organizations.

Gerald Gay, Philadelphia Department of Human Service’s Division of Juvenile Justice

“LGBTQI: Beyond Sensitivity, Exploring Procedure.”

Since the introduction of the Prison Rape Elimination Act, juvenile justice residential programs have implemented policies to begin to ensure that vulnerable youth are protected from abuse or harm. However, there are still a lot of unanswered questions from the field about what do we need to do procedurally to address the complex myriad of issues when youth are transgender or questioning their sexual identify. Facility administrators continue to struggle in their efforts to develop operational procedures regarding housing, medical care as well as family engagement. How do agencies make decisions about protecting child rights for each youth in their care? How do staff interact with family connections who struggle with their child’s identity? During this presentation, attendees will be engaged in guided discussions to learn what questions that need to be asked within a facility/agency to ensure all are protected.

M. Currey Cook, Counsel and Youth in Out-of-Home Care Project Director

“Autism and Juvenile Justice: Tools, Strategies and Resources”

The training will be compromised of 3 content areas:

*Statewide data from the Pennsylvania Autism Census and the Statewide Autism Survey of Justice System Professionals

*Clinical overview of Autism Spectrum Disorder including core deficits and symptoms

*How to practically apply information learned about Autism Spectrum Disorder to everyday job duties in a secure setting and identify autism resources available within the community.

Kate Hooven, ASERT Consultant

“Substance Abuse Issues for Justice-Involved Youth”

Concerns about substance abuse for risen sharply in the very recent past. “Studies have found that for youth in the juvenile justice system, 50% to 70% met criteria for a mental disorder and 60% met criteria for a substance use disorder.” Substance Abuse is identified as one of 8 risk factors

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(dynamic risk factor) in PA's YLS which is defined as including the youth's occasional drug use; chronic drug use; chronic alcohol use; substance abuse interferes with life; and substance use linked to the offense. The current opioid crisis has heightened the awareness of this issue as one that not only needs to be addressed in response to criminogenic needs, but as a life saving measure. During his session, attendees will learn about the most current research and response to substance abuse issues impacting justice-involved youth. entities.

*Philip W Moore DO FASAM CMRO, Associates In Medical Toxicology
E. Renea Snyder, MS, ICAADC, CCTP, Migliore Treatment Services*

Friday, September 28

8:30 - 9:15 a.m.

Breakfast (Included in registration fees)

9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

"Mindfulness"

Today's workforce is expected to address the needs of youth and produce positive outcomes in an environment where youth are actively or passively resistant, where oversight is focused more on responding to failures than exceptional performance, and where sacrifices to our personal lives often get unnoticed or unrewarded. During this session, attendees will be exposed to Mindfulness practices that allow you to refocus, attending and nurturing yourself. Attendees will be led through an experiential learning process allowing you to apply Mindfulness skills in any environment (personal and professional).

*Elaine Berrena, MEd, The Bennett Pierce Prevention Research Center
Laurie George, Bureau of Juvenile Justice Services
Lois Huling, Bureau of Juvenile Justice Services*

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Full Conference Rates: Members - \$300 Non Members - \$350

Full Conference Rates - Your registration fee includes all conference breaks, materials and lunch on Wednesday and Thursday - Welcoming Reception Wed. Evening - Breakfast and Closing Session Friday

One Day Registration - Your registration fee includes breaks, materials and lunch

One Day Registration Wednesday or Thursday : Member - \$150 Non Members \$175

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REGISTRATION INFORMATION

(Don't forget to make a copy of this form for your records)

Name _____ Title _____
(as you want it to appear on your name badge)

Facility/Provider _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Mailing Address _____

Special Physical or Dietary Requirements _____

REFUNDS: There will be a \$50 service charge for each refund requested before **September 14**. **No refunds will be processed after September 14, 2018. Substitutions are allowed.** Please use one registration form per individual

Make check payable to "JDCAP" and return with registration form to: **JDCAP Annual Conference,
PO Box 60769, Harrisburg PA 17106; fax: (717) 526-1020**