



## **2019 CJJ Annual Conference, Hill Day & Council of SAGs Meeting**

### **Bridging the Gap: Improving Outcomes for All Youth**

#### **Wednesday, June 19**

##### **CJJ Hill Day, CJJ Executive Board Meeting**

Attendees are encouraged to visit their members of Congress to inform them of state and local needs, interests, and accomplishments in juvenile justice and delinquency prevention.

**Participants are expected to schedule/arrange their own meetings in advance of the conference.**

7:00 am – 1:00 pm

**Hill Day Packets available for pick-up**

7:00 am – 8:00 am

Regency Foyer  
Ballroom Level

#### **Skill Building: Hill Day Training**

Discuss talking points on current state/federal issues, juvenile justice funding, and implementation of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (JJDP) with CJJ staff prior to your Hill Day visits. *This training is being offered twice.*

#### **Facilitated by:**

Naomi Smoot, Executive Director, Coalition for Juvenile Justice  
Rachel Marshall, Policy Counsel, Campaign for Youth Justice

10:00 am - 11:00 am

Regency Foyer  
Ballroom Level

#### **Skill Building: Hill Day Training**

Discuss talking points on current state/federal issues, juvenile justice funding, and implementation of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (JJDP) with CJJ staff prior to your Hill Day visits. *This training is being offered twice.*

#### **Facilitated by:**

Naomi Smoot, Executive Director, Coalition for Juvenile Justice  
Rachel Marshall, Policy Counsel, Campaign for Youth Justice

1:30 pm – 8:30 pm  
Olympic  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

**CJJ Executive Board Meeting (closed meeting)**

Facilitated by: Hon. Steve Teske, National Chair, Coalition for  
Juvenile Justice

**Thursday, June 20**

Conference Opening, Workshops, CJJ Business Meetings

7:30 am – 5:00 pm  
Regency Foyer  
Ballroom Level

**Registration Open**

7:30 am – 5:00 pm  
Regency Foyer  
Ballroom Level

**Exhibit Hall Open**

7:30 am – 9:00 am  
Regency Foyer  
Ballroom Level

**Buffet Breakfast (In Exhibit Hall)**

7:45 am – 9:00 am  
Concord

**JJ Specialists Breakfast Meeting (closed meeting)**

9:00 am – 10:30 am  
Regency A  
Ballroom Level

**Conference Welcome & General Session**

**CJJ Welcome and Moderator:** Hon. Steve Teske, National Chair,  
Coalition for Juvenile Justice

**A New Vision for Youth Justice: A Call for Community Over  
Incarceration**

Across the country, a growing movement is afoot to close  
detention facilities. Learn from communities that have successfully  
shut down their youth prisons & redirected investments in  
community-based alternatives to incarceration about what's  
worked, and what challenges they have experienced.

**Presenters:** *Hernan Carvente Martinez*, National Youth  
Partnership Strategist, Youth First Initiative  
*Clinton Lacey*, Director, DC Department of Youth Rehabilitation  
Services  
*Valerie Slater*, Executive Director, RISE for Youth  
*Krystal Seruya*, Youth Leader, NJ Youth Advocate Program

**A Public Health Approach: Applying a Therapeutic Service  
Model** - Young people around the country are facing an array of

health challenges that both lead them into the juvenile justice system, and that result from their involvement in the juvenile justice system.

**Presenter:** *Dr. Jeanette Callahan*, Medical Director, Department of Youth Services Northeast Regional Health Services

10:30 am – 10:35 am

*Break*

10:35 am – 11:35 pm  
**Concord**

**Concurrent Workshop Session #1**

**A. Born to Lose, Built to Win: Female Crossover Youth of Color** - This workshop will offer a glimpse into the lives of female crossover youth of color. From their entrance into the "system," their criminal activity patterns, and the constant struggle with the intersectionality of sexism and racism. Participants will be encouraged to discuss their current knowledge related to minority female crossover youth, experiences in working with the population, trends in collaborative system work, and their efforts of being an agent of change to build a winning strategy.

**Presenters:** *Latoya Hogg*, Research Assistant/PhD Student, Howard University

**Congressional A**  
Lobby Level

**B. Transforming Justice Systems** - This workshop describes two community-based programs for justice-involved youth developed as collaborations between NYC Department of Probation and community partners. Both employ credible messengers, people from communities with concentrated needs, who serve as mentors for youth. Together with CBOs throughout the City, Arches serves 16 to 24 year old probationers, and AIM serves 13 to 18 year olds who would otherwise live in residential settings. Both programs illustrate how community/agency partnerships promote positive outcomes for youth.

**Presenters:** *Kevin Quiroz*, Liaison, Community Connections for Youth

*Tiffany Branch*, Community/Program Coordinator, Department of Probation

**Capitol Room B**  
Lobby Level

**C. TBA**

**Capitol Room A**  
Lobby Level

**D. Professional Development: Session #1**

11:35 am – 11:40 pm

*Break*

11:40 am – 1:40 pm

## **CJJ 2019 Awards Luncheon**

**Regency A**  
Ballroom Level

**CJJ Welcome and Moderator:** Pastor Edward Palmer, National Vice Chair, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Each year CJJ recognizes and celebrates the accomplishments of its national award recipients. Nominated and selected by CJJ members, each recipient has made significant and inspiring contributions to the juvenile justice field.

### **Awardees:**

- A.L. Carlisle Child Advocacy Award
- Tony Gobar Outstanding National Juvenile Justice Specialist Award
- National Spirit of Youth Award

1:40 pm – 2:40 pm  
**Concord**

## **Concurrent Workshop Session #2**

### **A. City Partnerships to Improve Outcomes for Deep-End Youth**

The workshop will highlight cities as leaders and partners to improve services, such as housing, for youth involved in the juvenile justice system. We will highlight emerging policies and practices proposed in an upcoming National League of Cities white paper, share locally-focused recommendations within the Principles for Change on youth homelessness and juvenile justice, and incorporate a local example of a state and local partnership improved services for youth.

Presenters: *Laura Furr*, Program Manager, National League of Cities and Chair, Washington DC SAG  
*David Brown*, Senior Associate, Annie E. Casey Foundation  
TBA

Congressional A  
Lobby Level

**B. Community Passageways-Family Integrated Transitions (CP/FIT): Increasing Behavioral Health Support for Minority Youth Involved In The Juvenile Justice System Through Community Based Credible Messengers/Mentors** - Community Passageways, a community based mentoring and advocacy organization, in collaboration with the University of Washington have developed an intervention for minority youth with behavioral health challenges residing in King County, Washington and involved in the juvenile justice system. CP/FIT combines the

cultural and community expertise of credible messengers/mentors and is enhanced through their being trained in components of three adapted evidence-based practices: Multi-Systemic Therapy (MST), Dialectic Behavior Therapy (DBT) and Motivational Interviewing (MI). Over the course of 18 months, 45 youth with both felony and lesser charges are being provided this intensive community-based intervention. Presenters will describe the development and implementation of this intervention and the current youth and family outcomes. Participants in the workshop will be able to participate in simulated training that has been developed for the credible messenger/mentors.

**Presenters:** *Dr. Eric Trupin*, Professor, University of Washington Medical School

*Dominique Davis*, Founder and CEO, Community Passageways

*Keith Hedgepeth*, Credible Messenger Mentor and Community Ambassador, Community Passageways

**Capitol Room B  
Lobby Level**

**C. Florida Department of Juvenile Justice (FDJJ): Celebrating Families, Creating Safer Communities and Enhancing Positive Relationships**

- This workshop will describe how the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice (FDJJ) celebrates families, shapes communities and enhances relationships to promote safer neighborhoods. Presenters will explain how the department provides services for youth who are having behavior or family issues and may be at risk of being arrested or re arrested. The presentation will explain how the department stresses the importance of prevention and its support of innovative processes, addresses the overrepresentation of minority youth in the system and funds effective programs. The learning objectives include: 1) learn how your state can use solutions that Florida has employed to assist youth and families in need, 2) determine the best methods to reduce DMC activity in your jurisdiction, and 3) learn how and why collaboration matters.

**Presenters:** *Eugene Morris*, State/Federal Director, Florida Department of Justice

*Lamone Gibson*, JDAI/DMC Coordinator, Florida Department of Justice

**Capitol Room A  
Lobby Level**

2:40 pm – 2:45 pm

**D. Professional Development Session #2**

*Break*

2:45 pm – 3:45 pm

**Concord**

**Concurrent Workshop Session #3**

**A. From the Halls to the Streets: How to Wholly Support Youth's Behavior** - The school to prison pipeline exists in part because our bridge from the halls to the streets is broken. There is an urgent need for educators to understand the realities of students' lives beyond the walls of schools, and for family members and representatives of law enforcement to understand the science of behavior, referred to as Positive Behavior Supports (PBS). This session will focus on the use of evidence-based PBS to steer productive collaboration.

**Presenters:** *Meghan Mulvenna*, Behavioral Specialist, DC Special Education Cooperative

*Dakota Crews*, Student and Parent

*TBA*

**Congressional A**

Lobby Level

**B. Handle with Care Maryland** - If a law enforcement officer encounters a child during a call, that child's name and three words, HANDLE WITH CARE, are forwarded to the school before the start of the next day. The school implements individual, class and whole school trauma-sensitive curricula so traumatized children are "Handled With Care" and set up for success in the classroom. The Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention is implementing Handle with Care throughout the state of Maryland.

**Presenters:** *Kelly Gorman*, Handle With Care Coordinator, Maryland Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention  
*Jessica Wheeler*, Chief of Juvenile Justice and Prevention Services, Maryland Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention

*Shaianna Ireson*, Student and Youth Advocate, Harford County Community College

**Capitol Room A**

Lobby Level

**C. Using Data to Safely Reduce and Eliminate Restraints and Isolation in Juvenile Facilities** - Facilities struggle to safely reduce restraints and isolation. This workshop will present data on restraint and isolation use in facilities participating in the national Performance-based Standards program, explore strategies towards reduction and discuss ways to use this data to advocate for effective programming at the local, state and national levels.

**Presenters:** *Akin Fadeyi*, Deputy Executive Director, Performance-Based Standards

**Capitol Room B  
Lobby Level**

3:45 pm – 3:50 pm

3:50 pm – 4:50 pm  
**Concord**

**D. Professional Development: Session #3**

*Break*

**Concurrent Workshop Session #4**

**A. CHOOSE 180: Transforming Systems, Communities and Lives Through the Power of Choice** - Participants will engage in an interactive, transformative process and by doing so learn how partnering with institutional leaders, building intentional connections with community, and empowering young people with choice has allowed for over 2,500 youth and young adults to be diverted through this program since 2011.

**Presenters:** *Sean Goode*, Executive Director, Choose 180  
*Durrell Green*, Outreach and Intake Specialist, Choose 180  
*Arielle Lane*, Volunteer, Choose 180

**Congressional A  
Lobby Level**

**B. Hip Hop: A Bridge To The Future For Our Youth** – This workshop will be impactful for those who desire a better comprehension of the influence that pop culture, music, and media have on children. During the session we will explore some of the content and images in popular culture that can have a negative impact on children, but also shed light on how to use positive elements from pop culture to reach goals at home and in the classroom.

**Presenters:** *Dion Chavis*, Owner, The Glad Dad, LLC

**Capitol Room B  
Lobby Level**

**C. Reducing Disparities: Race, Ethnicity, and Gender in Juvenile Justice Special Education**- Youth face obstacles before entering juvenile detention and many of those obstacles will also be there when they leave. These barriers include a lack of special education services and implicit biases that result in racial and ethnic disparities (RED) and an over representation of LGBTQ+ youth. Youth must have access to education while in the justice system and remain enrolled and engaged in the most appropriate settings.

**Presenters:** *Scott Ryan*, Teacher, Multnomah ESD - Helensview School

**Capitol Room A**

**D. Professional Development: Session #4**

## **Lobby Level**

4:50 pm – 4:55 pm

*Break*

4:55 pm – 5:55 pm  
**Concord**

**Mindfulness, Meditation and Sensory Integration in Juvenile Detention Settings** -Trauma can change the wiring of the brain and affect our physiology, social behavior and capacity for self-analysis. Isn't it ironic, then, that much of the evidence-based treatment for youth in the justice system—more than 75% of who have experienced trauma—is reliant on the rational brain? Join us to experience the mindfulness, meditation and relaxation modalities being used at a Bay Area juvenile detention facility. Leave with resources and programming ideas.

**Presenters:** Christine Gerchow, Psychologist  
Sefanit Mekuria, Pediatrician

4:55 pm – 5:55 pm  
Capitol Room B  
Lobby Level

### **DMC Coordinators and CJJ Ethnic and Cultural Diversity Committee Joint Business Meeting**

All DMC Coordinators and Ethnic and Cultural Diversity Committee members are invited to attend this joint meeting. It will serve as a forum for those who work on reducing disproportionate minority contact (DMC) to network, share resources, and discuss emerging issues.

The Ethnic and Cultural Diversity Committee ensures that the diversity of race, culture, and ethnicity of youth in the juvenile justice system remains foremost in the minds of CJJ members. Committee members develop juvenile justice system reforms that generate policies and services to resolve DMC and racial/ethnic disparities in the juvenile justice system. The committee acts as an advisor to CJJ on all ethnic and cultural issues.

**Facilitated by:** Craig Hargrow, CJJ National DMC Coordinator  
Tracey Huggins, CJJ Ethnic and Cultural Diversity Committee Chair

4:55 pm – 5:55 pm  
Capitol Room A  
Lobby Level

### **CJJ Government Relations Committee Meeting**

This committee reviews federal policy issues and questions related to juvenile justice and delinquency prevention on behalf of CJJ and all of its members. It formulates educational documents, including position papers, to represent the views of the SAGs and CJJ members. The committee also organizes CJJ's annual Hill Day and other



member training opportunities. They are also tasked with presenting policy recommendations to the CJJ Executive Board and the CJJ Council of SAGs. The committee also serves as a liaison to other national and state organizations working on federal policy.

Facilitated by: Jeff Butts, CJJ Government Relations  
Committee Chair

6:00 pm – 7:00 pm  
Columbia Foyer  
Ballroom Level

**Youth Members (Ages 16-24) Welcome and Networking**  
Hosted by the Emerging Leaders Committee

### **Friday, June 21**

Conference Plenary, Workshops, CJJ Business Meetings, Regional Meetings

7:45 am – 5:00 pm  
Regency Foyer  
Ballroom Level

**Registration Open**

7:45 am – 5:00 pm  
Regency Foyer  
Ballroom Level

**Exhibit Hall Open**

7:45 am – 9:30 am  
Regency Foyer  
Ballroom Level

**Continental Breakfast**

8:00 am – 9:45 am

### **CJJ Regional Breakfast Meetings**

The challenges states and territories face can vary greatly based on geographical region. This meeting time is dedicated to information sharing, problem-solving, and networking for those looking to share concerns, recent innovations, and successes with juvenile justice professionals confronting similar issues. All are invited to attend.

- **Midwest** – Facilitated by: Hon. Michael Mayer, Midwestern Region Chair, Coalition for Juvenile Justice  
**Capitol Room A**
- **Northeast** – Facilitated by: Bob Sheil, Northeastern Region Representative, Coalition for Juvenile Justice  
**Capitol Room B**

- **Southern** – Facilitated by: Hon. John Dewese, Southern Region Chair, Coalition for Juvenile Justice  
**Concord**
- **Western** – Facilitated by: Stacie Nelson Colling, Western Region Chair, Coalition for Juvenile Justice  
**Capitol Room A**

9:45 am – 10:00 am

*Break*

10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Regency A

Ballroom Level

### **General Session**

**Welcome by:** Cecely Reardon, Immediate Past Chair, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

### **Federal Policy Update**

### **State Policy Update**

12:00 pm – 2:00 pm

*Lunch On Your Own*

12:15 pm – 1:00 pm

Capitol Room A

Lobby Level

### **CJJ Finance Committee Meeting (closed meeting)**

This committee serves as the financial advisor to the CJJ Executive Board and the CJJ Council of SAGs in all of the organization's financial affairs, in concert with the Executive Director, including, but not limited to preparing an annual operating budget prior to presentation to the Executive Board; conducting periodic review of all financial reports; facilitating a periodic review of all financial policies; reviewing the work of the audit committee; and designing and ensuring compliance with a general accounting practices and a system of internal accounting controls.

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

**Capitol Room B**

**Lobby Level**

### **Concurrent Workshop Session #5**

#### **A. Centering the lives of San Francisco's System-Involved CIS and Trans Girls: A Participatory and Decolonizing Model -**

The Young Women's Freedom Center's intergenerational research team conducted a participatory action research project to collect comprehensive life course narratives on cis and trans system involved women in San Francisco. The team will share findings, implications for policies and practices for engaging in ethical research.

**Presenters:** *Alezandra Melendrez*, Research Director, Young Women's Freedom Center

*Jocelyn Mati*, Lead YPAR Researcher, Young Women's Freedom Center

**Congressional A**  
Lobby Level

**B. TBA**

**Capitol Room A**  
Lobby Level

**C. What happens next? Advancing Juvenile Justice Reform –**

In this interactive workshop, participants will get a close look at transformational change while it's happening. Using Vermont's recent raise the age to 20 victory as an example, the presentation will focus on the necessary ingredients for juvenile justice reform: strong collaboration, robust diversion, supervision that is appropriate and continuity in practice.

**Presenters:** *Leslie Wisdom*, General Counsel for the Department for Children and Families, State of Vermont, Department for Children & Families

*Lael Chester*, Director, Emerging Adult Justice Project, Columbia University Justice Lab

*Karen Vastine*, Senior Advisor to the Commissioner, State of Vermont, Department for Children & Families

**Concord**

**D. JJDP A Session #1**

3:00 pm – 3:10 pm

*Break*

3:10 pm – 4:10 pm

**Capitol Room B**  
Lobby Level

**Concurrent Workshop Session #6**

**A. Florida's Response to the Needs of Dual Status/Crossover Youth-** This interactive, group discussion will focus on how Florida has responded to the need for leveraging partnerships to improve physical and mental health services, and better address youths' needs for education and housing for dually served/crossover youth. Florida has an Interagency Agreement in place that coordinates services for children served by more than one agency, and has started formally collecting systems outcome data over the past year that informs state agency decisions.

**Presenters:** *Joy Bennink*, Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services Coordinator, Florida Department of Juvenile Justice, Office of Health Services

*Zackary Gibson*, Chief Child Advocate and Director of the Office of Adoption and Child Protection, State of Florida, Executive Office of the Governor

*Tracy Shelby*, Director of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, Florida Department of Juvenile Justice, Office of Health Services

**Congressional A**  
Lobby Level

**B. If Not Us, Then Who? The Role of Frontline Diversion in Community Policing** - During FY17, Anne Arundel County Police processed 2,576 juvenile citations; nearly 1 in 5 was referred to one of the Department's three diversion programs. Approximately 12% of participants who completed one of these programs reoffended. This presentation highlights the relationship between Community Policing, Restorative Justice and Youth Diversion. Participants will discuss ways to gain support for these programs. Moving beyond a referral-based system to a universal case-screening process will also be considered.

**Presenters:** *Timmeka Perkins*, Juvenile/Victim Assistance Program Director, Anne Arundel County Police Department  
*Steven Thomas*, Lieutenant, Anne Arundel County Police Department

**Capitol Room A**  
Lobby Level

**C. Infrastructure Development to Front-Line Experiences: How Multi-System Collaboration Improves Processes Experiences** – Youth involved with multiple systems of care are a high needs population. Typically, these youth have histories of maltreatment and trauma; experience educational challenges; are more likely to face disparate treatment on the basis of race, gender, and sexual identity; have high levels of exposure to community and family violence; and suffer from untreated behavioral health issues. Given these considerations, systems and organizations must work together in a collaborative manner to realize improved outcomes.

**Presenters:** *Macon Stewart*, Deputy Director of Multi-System Operations Center for Juvenile Justice Reform Georgetown University  
*Mary Rumbaugh*, Director Clackamas County Behavioral Health  
*Courtney Shrifter*, Senior Policy, Performance & Research Analyst, Clackamas County Juvenile Department  
*Adam Kennedy*, Court Administrator, Chatham County Juvenile Court

**Concord**

**D. JJDP A Session #2**

4:10 pm – 4:20 pm

*Break*

4:20 pm – 5:20 pm  
**Capitol Room B**  
Lobby Level

**Concurrent Workshop Session #7**

**A. Immigrant Youth Caught in the Crosshairs of our Justice System: What you Need to Know** - Participants in this workshop will learn about the special vulnerabilities faced by immigrant youth when caught up in the justice system and how to protect

them both through policies and programs. This session will delve into the immigration consequences of delinquency, collaboration with ICE, state confidentiality laws, gang databases, school disciplinary policies, and how to craft appropriate programs for this vulnerable population.

**Presenters:** *Sarah Bryer*, Executive Director, National Juvenile Justice Network  
*Samera Hafiz*, Policy Director, Immigrant Legal Resource Center  
*Danny Condejas*, La ColectiVA

**Congressional A**  
Lobby Level

**B. Thoughtful and Responsive Juvenile Justice Case**

**Planning** - NYC's Close to Home Initiative was launched in 2012 with a flurry of activity and mixed results. Through a methodical implementation of core strategies (Risk/Needs/Responsivity Framework, Positive Youth Development, Community Engagement and Collaboration, and Family Team Conferencing) all indicators are dramatically trending in a positive direction in a relatively short period of time. This workshop will use a Family Team Conference to engage participants and facilitate learning about the components driving CTH.

**Presenters:** *John Dixon*, President and CEO, Bridges Healthcare, Inc.  
*Johan Peguero*, Assistant Commissioner, NYC Administration for Children's Services  
*Tara Simpson*, Executive Direct NYC Administration for Children's Services

**Capitol Room A**  
Lobby Level

**C. Building Resiliency for Girls in the Juvenile Justice System by Disrupting the Abuse to Prison Pipeline**

- This interactive presentation will examine how experiences of childhood sexual abuse and family violence create pathways for girls into the juvenile justice system. Participants will explore racial disparities and identify strategies to develop survivor-centered, culturally-competent, trauma-informed approaches to address the needs of vulnerable girls and prevent them from experiencing the Abuse to Prison Pipeline.

**Presenters:** *Cherice Hopkins*, Staff Attorney, Rights4Girls

**Concord**

**D. JJDPa Session #3**

**Saturday, June 22**

## Council of SAGs Meeting

8:00 am – 8:30 am

**Regency Foyer  
Ballroom Level**

**Continental Breakfast**

8:30 am – 12:30 pm

**Regency A  
Ballroom Level**

### **Council of SAGs Meeting & Executive Board Elections**

All conference attendees are welcome to attend this annual meeting of CJJ's policy-setting body, comprising CJJ Member State Advisory Groups.

**Facilitated by:** Hon. Steve Teske, National Chair, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

12:30 pm

**Conference Closing**