

CJJ 2012 Annual Conference, Council of State Advisory Groups' Meeting & Hill Day

Improving Justice Outcomes for Youth and Families: Uniting Science, Policy + Practice





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Welcome!

On behalf of the Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ) Executive Board, Council of State Advisory Groups, our members, staff and allies, we welcome you to our 2012 Annual Conference, Council of SAGs' Meeting & Hill Day, "Improving Justice Outcomes for Youth and Families: Uniting Science, Policy and Practice." Thank you for joining us!

On the following pages, you will see the exciting panels, speakers, workshops and special events focusing on current themes, trends, innovations and improvements that prevent and reduce court contact and involvement for children, youth and families.

Please take special note of our two plenary sessions; they promise to inform, intrigue and inspire. Also, be sure to join colleagues and friends as we honor three exceptional individuals during Saturday's National Awards Luncheon.

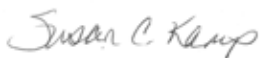
This year's conference would not be possible without our dedicated sponsors. CJJ is grateful for their generous contributions. Please look at the back cover of this program for full information. We appreciate each and every one of you!

We want to give a special thank you to the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation and the Annie E. Casey Foundation for their ongoing support of CJJ's work and elements of this conference. Our appreciation also goes out to Richard Ross, photographer of Juvenile-In-Justice, and Deborah Prothrow-Stith, M.D., Consultant, Spencer Stuart and Co-Chair, UNITY Project, for their in-kind contributions. Both Individuals donated their time and expertise, bringing new energy and depth to our conference agenda.

We extend our deep appreciation to the thoughtful and hardworking members of the Conference Planning Committee: Debra Arnold (MD), Damon Booth (NV), Ben Deaton (KY), Martha Doyle (OR), Bonnie Glenn (WA), Carlos Hendricks-Verdejo (NJ), Yvonne Hunnicut (OH), Erin Lear (MO), Richard Lindahl (NM), Cuong Nguyen (UT), Brad Richardson (IA), Reggie Robinson (KS), Anya Sekino (OR) and Keith Warner (MD). We also extend our appreciation to the CJJ Government Relations Committee and staff for organizing CJJ's Annual Hill Day.

Most of all, we thank you for joining us. We hope you will leave this conference well-informed, motivated and connected with colleagues from across the country.

Sincerely,



Susan Kamp (VT)
CJJ National Chair



Alfred Martin (MS)
CJJ National Vice Chair



Roger Jarjoura (IN)
2012 Conference Planning
Committee Chair



Wednesday, June 20

HILL DAY PACKETS

3:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Ballroom Foyer

Hill Day Packets available for pick-up at the Conference “Take One” Tables

Thursday, June 21

CJJ HILL DAY + EARLY REGISTRATION

Conference 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 and to urge them to act on the reauthorization of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDP) and other CJJ policy priorities.

7:00 am – 1:00 pm
Ballroom Foyer

Hill Day Packets available for pick-up at the Conference “Take One” Tables

3:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Ballroom Foyer

Registration and “Take One” Tables Open



Friday, June 22

CONFERENCE OPENING, RECEPTION,
SKILL-BUILDING SESSIONS, CJJ COMMITTEE MEETINGS

8:00 am – 6:00 pm
Ballroom Foyer

Registration and “Take One” Tables Open
Breakfast on your own

9:00 am – 10:30 am
Embassy

CJJ Member Services Committee Meeting

Robin Jenkins (NC), Committee Co-Chair; and Melody McCray-Miller (KS), Committee Co-Chair

9:00 am – 11:30 am
Judiciary Suite

Strengthening and Sustaining Youth Involvement in SAGs, Part I

For State Advisory Groups (SAGs) who wish to enhance the leadership opportunities for Youth Members within their SAG. Convened and conducted in partnership with the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) and Development Services Group, Inc.

Facilitated by: Ben Deaton (KY), National Youth Chair; and Lisa Hutchinson (AR), Trainer, Development Services Group, Inc.

9:00 am – 11:30 am
Cabinet Suite

New SAG Member Training

For new and returning SAG members who desire a foundational and refresher training on their roles and responsibilities, this training will go over the JJDP, the four Core Requirements, SAG youth member recruitment and retention, the Three-Year Plan process, identification of the various juvenile justice funding streams and program resources that are available to state officials to address juvenile justice issues. Convened and conducted in partnership with OJJDP and Development Services Group, Inc.

Facilitated by: Cassy Blakely (NE), Program Coordinator, Foster Youth Initiative, Nebraska Children and Families Foundation; Vicki Blankenship (AK), Social Services Consultant, Development Services Group, Inc.; and Scott Pestrige (DC), State Representative, OJJDP



9:00 am – 11:30 am
Susquehanna/Severn

Juvenile Justice Specialists' Business Meeting

A forum for all state Juvenile Justice Specialists and colleagues to network, share resources and discuss emerging issues.

Facilitated by:

Mike Pennington (PA), OJJDP National Juvenile Justice Specialist; and Joe Vignati (GA), CJJ National Juvenile Justice Specialist

Guest Speaker:

Greg Thompson, Associate Administrator, State Relations and Assistance Division, OJJDP

11:30 am – 12:30 pm
Judiciary Suite

CJJ Resource Development and Finance Committee Joint Meeting

Rev. James G. Kirk (MD), Committee Chair; and Deirdre W. Garton (WI), CJJ Treasurer/Secretary

11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Lunch on your own

1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Haverford/Baccarat

Conference Opening Plenary

CJJ Welcome:

Susan Kamp (VT), CJJ National Chair

Maryland Welcome:

Hon. Valerie Ervin (MD), Councilmember, Montgomery County Council

Federal Update:

Melodee Hanes, Acting Administrator, OJJDP; and Noah Bookbinder, Chief Counsel for Criminal Justice, U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee

Keynote Address: Advancing Juvenile Justice and Public Health Partnerships - Updating the Landscape

Deborah Prothrow-Stith, M.D., Consultant, Spencer Stuart; Co-Chair, UNITY Project, and nationally acclaimed leader in youth violence prevention.

Introduction by: Nancy Gannon Hornberger, CJJ Executive Director



3:00 pm – 3:15 pm

Break

3:15 pm – 4:15 pm
Embassy

CJJ Ethnic & Cultural Diversity (ECD) Committee Meeting

Gina E. Wood (VA), Committee Chair

3:15 pm – 4:15 pm
Cabinet Suite

CJJ National Youth Committee Meeting

Ben Deaton (KY), National Youth Chair

3:15 pm – 5:45 pm
Judiciary Suite

Strengthening and Sustaining Youth Involvement in SAGs, Part II

For SAGs who wish to enhance the leadership opportunities for Youth Members within their SAG. Convened and conducted in partnership with OJJDP and Development Services Group, Inc.

Facilitated by: Martha Doyle (OR), Chair, Oregon Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee; and Lisa Hutchinson (AR), Trainer, Development Services Group, Inc.

3:15 pm – 5:45 pm
Susquehanna/Severn

Reform Leadership for SAGs – Models for Change

The SAGs in Washington and Illinois will share results-based, collaborative leadership approaches to advance long-term and meaningful juvenile justice reform. The session will include discussion and working groups to highlight tools and strategies available for SAGs who wish to apply these lessons in their own states.

Facilitated by: John Clayton (WA), Assistant Secretary, Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration, Department of Social and Health Services; Bonnie Glenn (WA), Director, Division of Community, and Parole Programs, Washington State Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration; Lisa Jacobs (IL), Program Manager, Illinois Models for Change Initiative, Loyola University Chicago School of Law; Ryan Pinto (WA), Office Chief, Office of Juvenile Justice, Washington State Department of Social and Health Services; and Hon. George Timberlake (IL), Consultant, Illinois Models for Change Initiative

Moderator: Franklin Cruz, CJJ Assistant Director, Training & Technical Assistance



4:15 pm – 5:45 pm
Embassy

DMC Coordinators' Business Meeting

A forum for all state DMC Coordinators and colleagues to network, share resources and discuss emerging issues.

Facilitated by: Shalinee Hunter (CA), CJJ National DMC Coordinators Representative

Guest Speaker: Andrea Coleman, National DMC Coordinator, OJJDP

4:15 pm – 5:45 pm
Cabinet Suite

CJJ Government Relations Committee

Ken Schatz (VT), Committee Chair; and Cecely Reardon (MA), Committee Vice Chair

5:45 pm – 6:00 pm

Break

6:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Concourse Terrace

National Chair's Reception





Saturday, June 23

GENERAL SESSION, AWARDS LUNCHEON
CONCURRENT SESSIONS, CJJ REGIONAL MEETINGS

8:00 am - 6:30 pm
Ballroom Foyer

Registration and "Take One" Tables Open
Breakfast on your own

9:00 am – 10:15 am
Haverford/Baccarat

Conference Plenary "Families and Juvenile Justice: A Partnership that Makes a Difference"

Justice for Families (J4F) surveyed more than 1,000 family members of court-involved youth across the country to prepare the first comprehensive, data-driven analysis of their experiences with the juvenile justice system. This session will share those results, as well as the stories of individual families, in an effort to stimulate thoughtful approaches to genuine family empowerment.

CJJ Welcome: Susan Kamp (VT), CJJ National Chair

Plenary Presenters: Grace Bauer (MD), Co-Director, Justice for Families; Jeannette Bocanegra (NY), Family & Community Organizer, Community Connections for Youth; Liane Rozzell (VA), Founder and Executive Director, Families and Allies of Virginia's Youth; and Tracey Wells-Huggins (NJ), Founder and CEO, Renewed Minds, Inc.

Moderated by: Roger Jarjoura (IN), CJJ Conference Planning Committee Chair

10:15 am – 10:30 am

Break

10:30 am – 11:45 am

Concurrent Sessions 1

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A. Understanding Crossover Youth and How Best to Serve Them

The multiple pathways that youth follow into the juvenile justice system require a multi-system response, particularly when one of those pathways begins with child abuse and neglect.



This presentation will explore abuse and/or neglect in terms of prevalence and covariates, and will present practice and system responses that improve outcomes for this unique population of young people.

Presenters: Shay Bilchik (DC), Director, Center for Juvenile Justice Reform, Georgetown Public Policy Institute, Georgetown University; and Anya Sekino (OR), Juvenile Justice Specialist, Oregon Commission on Children and Families

Moderator: Alfred Martin (MS), CJJ National Vice Chair

Cabinet Suite

B. Rethinking How We Police Youth: Incorporating An Understanding of Adolescent Development Into Policing Teens

This panel will make the case for providing law enforcement with training in developmental competence for working with youth, and the advantages of alternatives to arrest. Panelists will examine the effectiveness of a training model that teaches officers how to use the science of brain development and adolescent development in their interactions with youth.

Presenters: Richard Gardell (MN), Executive Director, 180 Degrees, Inc.; Lieutenant Mark Gillespie (MA), Massachusetts Bay Transit Authority Transit Police; and Lisa Thurau (MA), Executive Director, Strategies for Youth, Inc.

Moderator: Capt. Keith Warner (MD), Harford County Sheriff's Office

Judiciary Suite

C. Promising Approaches to Interrupting the School to Prison Pipeline

This workshop will provide an overview of innovative models to interrupt the school-to-prison pipeline, reduce reliance on arrest as a response to disruptive school behavior and reduce disproportionate minority contact. Key features and outcomes of five program models will be discussed, as well as common themes critical to implementing programs to reduce violence, decrease in- and out-of-school disciplinary actions, and help students achieve important academic outcomes.



Presenters: Carla Benway (PA), Vice-President, Employee and Program Development, Youth Advocate Programs, Inc.; Jamie Fader (NY), Assistant Professor, School of Criminal Justice at the University at Albany-SUNY; Shaena Fazal (DC), National Policy Director, Youth Advocate Programs, Inc.; Michael Marks (PA), Chief Development Officer and National Director of Research, Youth Advocate Programs, Inc.; and Courtney Ramirez (NY), DMC Coordinator, New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services

Moderator: Patricia Campie (DC), Principal Researcher, American Institutes for Research

D. The Perfect Storm: How Strong Leadership, Science and Lack of Money Changed Juvenile Justice Practice in Wisconsin

Susquehanna/Severn

The current economic times, combined with advances in science and strong local leadership, gave Wisconsin an unprecedented opportunity to change how it practiced juvenile justice. Instead of funding programs, Wisconsin's SAG has funded state and local juvenile justice sustainable system reform initiatives.

This presentation will detail the statewide effort and highlight how rural Pierce County and urban Racine County both made sustainable, effective changes to their juvenile justice systems at minimal costs.

Presenters: Julie Krings (WI), Youth Services Program Manager, Pierce County Department of Human Services; Glenn Larson (WI), Youth and Delinquency Supervisor, Racine County Human Services Department; and Kris Moelter (WI), Juvenile Justice Specialist, Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance

Moderator: Richard Lindahl (NM), CEO, Richard Lindahl Consulting

11:45 am – 12:00 pm

Break



12:00 pm – 1:30 pm
Waterford/Lalique

CJJ National Awards Luncheon

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

- The 2012 Tony Gobar Outstanding Juvenile Justice Specialist Award will be presented to **Alan Miller (ID)**
- The 2012 National CJJ Spirit of Youth Award will be presented to **Jabriera Shakira Handy (MD)**
- The 2012 CJJ A.L. Carlisle Child Advocacy Award will be presented to **Richard J. Gardell (MN)**

Special Guest Speaker: Edward Parker (MD), Deputy Director, Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention

Moderator: Cecely Reardon (MA), Government Relations Committee Vice Chair

1:30 pm – 1:45 pm

Break

1:45 pm – 3:00 pm

Concurrent Sessions 2

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E. Seizing the Opportunity: How Collaboration and Leadership Enabled Connecticut’s Juvenile Justice Turnaround

Over the past two decades, Connecticut’s juvenile justice system went from one of the most troubled to a leader in raising the age of juvenile jurisdiction, reducing use of detention and training schools, and addressing racial disparities and school push-out. This workshop will show how collaboration, leadership, and incremental change can lead to true system reform. A new publication on Connecticut’s turnaround will be highlighted.

Presenters: Abby Anderson (CT), Executive Director, Connecticut Juvenile Justice Alliance; Catherine Foley Geib (CT), Manager of Clinical & Educational Services, State of Connecticut Judicial Branch; Valerie LaMotte (CT), State Juvenile Justice Specialist, DMC Coordinator and Compliance Monitor, Connecticut Office



of Policy and Management; and Martha Stone (CT), Executive Director, Center for Children’s Advocacy

Moderator: Tracy Velázquez, Executive Director, Justice Policy Institute

Cabinet Suite

F. A Prosecutor’s Role and Perspective on Interagency Collaboration: How to Keep the Prosecutor from Messing Things Up

Effective juvenile justice is not only accomplished in the courtroom. Learn how a Colorado community engaged the prosecutors and other players in the juvenile justice system to create a variety of diversionary programming. Crossover youth dockets, sex offender diversion, restorative justice, and Social Service/District Attorney joint diversion, will be highlighted in this presentation.

Presenter: Michelle Brinegar (CO), Chief Deputy District Attorney, Eighth Judicial District of Colorado

Moderator: Marie Williams, CJJ Director of State Strategies

Judiciary Suite

G. Standing Trial: Developing Juvenile Competence and Youth/Family Preparedness Colloquies for those Entering the Court System

Juvenile Competence to Stand Trial (JCST) has only recently been raised in juvenile proceedings and few states have any statutory guidance. In response to this, “Developing Competence to Stand Trial Statutes for Juvenile Delinquency Proceedings” was released in April 2012, with the goal of improving a juvenile respondent’s comprehension of courtroom proceedings. Model colloquies, with developmentally appropriate language for attorneys and judges to help youth and families better understand these proceedings and the significance of offenders’ actions, can lead to release and a reduction in probation violations.

Presenters: Kimberly Larson (MA), Assistant Professor, Psychiatry Department, UMass Medical School; and Rosa Peralta (WA), JIDAN/Models for Change Program Coordinator, TeamChild

Moderator: Roger Jarjoura (IN), CJJ Conference Planning Committee Chair



H. Breaking the Code on Byrne JAG Program Allocations and Funding

Susquehanna/Severn

The Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (“Byrne JAG”) Program provides states with a steady stream of justice-related funds. Although the Program’s designated uses are quite broad, states frequently use them solely for law enforcement related activities. This interactive workshop will provide participants with a full understanding of the Byrne JAG allocation process and concrete tips and strategies on how to influence and redirect the funds towards positive youth programming and juvenile justice reform.

Presenter: Lori Albin, Manager, State Initiatives, Public Safety Performance Project, Pew Center on the States; and Robin Jenkins (NC), Deputy Director, North Carolina Department of Public Safety

Moderator: Linda Hayes (NC), CJJ Southern Region Chair

3:00 pm – 3:15 pm

Break

3:15 pm – 5:00 pm

CJJ Regional Business Meetings & Elections

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Midwest

Hon. Michael Mayer (MN), Region Chair

Cabinet Suite

Northeast

Carlos Verdejo-Hendricks (NJ), Region Chair

Judiciary Suite

Southern

Linda Hayes (NC), Region Chair

Susquehanna/Severn

Western

Hon. Melody McCray-Miller (KS), Region Representative

5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

National Chair’s Suite,
Room #1127

Youth SAG Member Reception

Youth SAG Members are invited to attend an evening of socializing and networking with other youth members.

Co-hosted by Ben Deaton (KY), CJJ National Youth Chair; Martha Doyle (OR), CJJ National Youth Committee Member; and Susan Kamp (VT), CJJ National Chair.



Sunday, June 24

CJJ COUNCIL OF SAGS' MEETING + EXECUTIVE BOARD ELECTIONS

8:00 am – 1:00 pm
Ballroom Foyer

Registration and "Take One" Tables Open

8:00 am - 9:00 am
Waterford/Lalique

Continental Breakfast

9:00 am - 12:30 pm
Haverford/Baccarat

Council of SAGs' Meeting & Executive Board Elections

All conference attendees are welcome to attend the annual meeting of CJJ's policy-setting body, comprising member-State Advisory Group Chairs/Chair-designees

Presiding: Susan Kamp (VT), CJJ National Chair

Guest Speakers: Joyce Burrell, Director, State Training & Technical Assistance Center (STTAC), OJJDP; and Elizabeth Wolfe, State Representative, State Relations and Assistance Division, OJJDP

12:30 pm

Conference Closes

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About the Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ):

CJJ envisions a nation where fewer children are at risk of delinquency; and if they are at risk or involved with the justice system, they and their families receive every possible opportunity to live safe, healthy and fulfilling lives.

CJJ is a nationwide coalition of State Advisory Groups (SAGs) and allies dedicated to preventing children and youth from becoming involved in the courts and upholding the highest standards of care when youth are charged with wrongdoing and enter the justice system.