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Specialized Dockets *Newsletter*

January 9, 2014

2014 OSDPN SUB-NETWORK MEETINGS

2014 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 16</p> <p>Wednesday, November 19— 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: mailto:Kevin.Lottes@sc.ohio.gov</p>
Program Coordinators	<p>Friday, March 21 Wednesday, June 11 Tuesday, September 16</p> <p>*Please indicate which date you plan to attend in your RSVP.</p>	<p>*Send your RSVP to: mailto:Kevin.Lottes@sc.ohio.gov</p>
Probation Officers	<p>Tuesday, March 4 Thursday, June 5 Friday, September 12</p> <p>*Please indicate which date you plan to attend in your RSVP.</p>	<p>Send your RSVP to: mailto:Kevin.Lottes@sc.ohio.gov</p>

*****NEW!*** 2014 OSDPN VETERANS TREATMENT COURT
ROUNDTABLES**

SPECIALIZED DOCKETS VETERANS TREATMENT COURT ROUNDTABLES

Date(s): Friday, April 25, 2014
—and—
Friday, September 26, 2014

Time: 10:00am – 2:00pm

Location: Thomas J. Moyer Ohio Judicial Center

The Veterans Treatment Court roundtable meetings will allow veterans treatment court practitioners throughout Ohio to discuss the challenges and successes they have faced in their specific role on the specialized docket court team. In addition, the roundtables will offer opportunities for specialized docket professionals to provide program updates, discuss program operations, discover innovative and effective strategies employed by other specialized dockets. Practitioners involved with an already existing program, in the developmental stage, or interested in starting a veterans treatment court is welcome to attend. To RSVP for these roundtables, email Kevin.Lottes@sc.ohio.gov with any group discussion items you would like to see on the agenda.

2014 OSDPN ANNUAL CONFERENCE - SAVE THE DATE!

**SAVE THE DATE! OHIO SPECIALIZED DOCKET PRACTITIONER NETWORK
ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

Date: November 20, 2014
Location: OSU Fawcett Center

The Specialized Dockets Practitioner Network 11th 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 450 attendees from throughout the state, providing participants access to open communication and promoting relationships among professionals across county lines.

**2014 COMMISSION ON SPECIALIZED DOCKETS MEETING
DATES**

The 2014 *Commission on Specialized Dockets* meeting dates are scheduled as follows:

Friday, April 11, 2014
Friday, June 13, 2014
Friday, August 15, 2014
Wednesday, November 19, 2014 (*in conjunction with the annual Specialized Dockets conference*)

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

MENTAL ILLNESS REPORTING TOOL READY FOR OHIO COURTS

new rule approved by the Ohio Supreme Court takes effect in the new year requiring Ohio's courts to notify police about violent offenders with a mental illness. Rule 95 and Form 95 to the Rules of Superintendence for the Courts of Ohio was recommended by a workgroup of law enforcement and judicial representatives convened by the Supreme Court after a change in Ohio law that requires judges to report to law enforcement when they order a mental-health evaluation or treatment for a person convicted of an offense of violence, or if they approve a conditional release for someone found incompetent to stand trial or not guilty by reason of insanity. [More...](#)

JUDGES SEEKING DRUG COURT APPROVAL

"I think it's a worthy idea that's worth a try," Ross County Prosecutor Matt Schmidt said. "We've gotten the message loud and clear from (the state) that they don't want us to send low-level felony offenders to them and they want us to deal with drug offenders ourselves." We've gotten the message loud and clear from (the state) that they don't want us to send low-level felony offenders to them and they want us to deal with drug offenders ourselves." In 2011, legislators passed sentencing reform that prevents judges, in most cases, from sending first-time fourth- and fifth-degree felony offenders to prison. Instead, they are required to sentence them to community control, which can include jail days, community service and treatment programming. The goal of the reform was to reduce prison populations, which seemed to help at first, but populations are trending back up. [More...](#)

OVI COURT PROGRAM INITIALLY CERTIFIED THROUGH STATE

An OVI Court program set up by Sandusky County Court Judge John Kolesar has received its initial certification through the Ohio Supreme Court's specialized docket section, the judge said Sunday. Kolesar said the three-phase program was set up in 2010, with 12 graduates and about seven participants currently in one of the three phases. He said there were certain benchmarks that participants needed to reach in the program to reach graduation, with participants initially appearing in front of Kolesar once a week to discuss progress they've made through treatment. [More...](#)

WEBINARS

2014 ARMY ONESOURCE WEB EVENTS

To view complete 2014 webinar calendar, [click here](#).

FUNDING

ACTION GRANTS FOR EDUCATION/EQUALITY FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS

Deadline: January 14, 2014

Community Action Grants provide funds to individuals, American Association of University Women (AAUW) branches, and AAUW state organizations as well as local community-based nonprofit organizations for innovative programs or non-degree research projects that promote education and equality for women and girls. One-year grants provide funding for community-based projects. Topic areas are unrestricted, but should include a clearly defined activity that promotes education and equality for women and girls. Two-year grants provide start-up funds for new projects that address the particular needs of the community and develop girls' sense of efficacy through leadership or advocacy opportunities. Once again, topic areas are unrestricted, but should include a clearly defined activity that promotes education and equality for women and girls. Eligibility is limited to applicants who are women and U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Nonprofit organizations must be based in the United States. Grant projects must have direct public impact, be nonpartisan, and take place within the United States or its territories. Special consideration is given to projects focused on K–12 and community college girls' and women's achievements in science, technology, engineering, or math. One year grants range from \$2,000 to \$7,000. Two year grants range from \$5,000 to \$10,000.

Information: <http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/community-action-grants/>

THE GAINS CENTER SEEKS APPLICANTS TO PARTICIPATE IN SEQUENTIAL INTERCEPT MAPPING WORKSHOPS FOCUSED ON EARLY DIVERSION

SAMHSA's GAINS Center is currently soliciting applications from communities interested in developing integrated strategies to better identify and respond to the needs of adults with co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorders in contact with the criminal justice system. Sequential Intercept Mapping (SIM) is a one-day workshop designed to allow local, multidisciplinary teams of people from jurisdictions to facilitate collaboration and to identify and discuss ways in which barriers between the criminal justice, mental health, and substance abuse systems can be reduced and to begin development of integrated local plans. This year's solicitation targets communities that are focusing on Intercepts 1 and 2 of the [Sequential Intercept Model](#), which focus on early jail diversion. Solicitation applications should therefore emphasize Intercepts 1 and 2 and workshop attendee groups should particularly include those agencies and personnel involved in early jail diversion efforts.

The GAINS Center will offer this workshop free of charge in up to four selected communities between April and June 2014. There are no fees for registration, tuition, or materials associated with these workshops. The GAINS Center will pay all costs associated with pre- and post-workshop coordination, conference calls, and facilitator time and travel.

To find out more about the Sequential Intercept Mapping (SIM) workshops, please visit the GAINS Center [website](#).

To apply for a 2014 SIM workshop, please download the solicitation from the GAINS Center [website](#) and submit a completed application form no later than February 14, 2014.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION WITH AN EMPHASIS ON CHILDREN

Deadline: February 4, 2014

The Office of Violence Against Women (OVW) will provide funding for comprehensive child and youth centered prevention intervention projects, particularly those which are school based. OVW wants to fund strong community partnerships through this program. Collaborations should include nonprofit victim service providers, violence prevention groups, child and youth serving organizations, anti-domestic violence men's groups and tribal and local governments. Eligibility is limited to governments and nonprofits. There will be \$10 million available for 12 awards of up to \$1 million each (there is no match required).

Information: <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/docs/fy14-solicitation-final-new-budget.pdf>;
Darla Sims, Program Specialist, 202/514-8818, darla.sims@usdoj.gov

AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS FOR UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES

Deadline: February 10, 2014

The President's Committee on the Arts and Humanities, National Endowment for the Arts, the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the Institute of Museum and Library Services will recognize afterschool arts and humanities programs for K-12 students, especially those from underserved communities. Applicants must involve children and youth as active participants in the arts or humanities experience; cultural programs in which children function only as an audience are not eligible. Eligibility is limited to afterschool and out of school arts and humanities programs, libraries, performing arts organizations, educational institutions, businesses and governments. There will be \$120,000 available for 12 awards.

Information: <http://www.nahyp.org/how-to-apply/> ;

Giuliana Bullard, gbullard@imls.gov 202/653-4799 www.nahyp.org, businesses and governments.

There will be \$120,000 available for 12 awards.

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&cid=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

2014 OHIO JUDICIAL COLLEGE TRAININGS

To view the 2014 training calender, click [here](#).

2014 OHIO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE NETWORK TRAININGS

All of ODVN's training opportunities are posted online under the "training" tab at <http://www.odvn.org/>

NATIONAL TRAININGS

2014 NATIONAL RX DRUG ABUSE SUMMIT

Dates: April 22-24, 2014

Location: Atlanta, Georgia

For more information, [visit the event page here](#).

BEAT THE ODDS: 60 THINGS EVERY EX-OFFENDER SHOULD KNOW ABOUT EMPLOYMENT BY SHEILA BOWLES

Each year 650,000 prisoners will return to their home states from federal and state incarceration. For these ex-offenders, the ability to find and keep employment is essential to their successful transition from incarceration to a life of freedom. Many return without jobs or stable homes. Most return without the necessary knowledge and resources to find and keep a job. Although several thousands of dollars are spent each year in pre-release education classes, these classes are often uneven in quality and design and ex-offenders are often forced to wade through a litany of conflicting information as they try to find employment. Libraries are filled with books, journal articles, and reports about the ex-offender. But, unfortunately, very little information is addressed directly to ex-offenders in an attempt to offer them the tools, resources, and knowledge that are essential for their success. If we are to assist these ex-offenders to become productive members of society, it will be necessary to take a multi-faceted approach to address the issues associated with successful re-entry. All who are involved with any and all aspects of the prisoner re-entry process will benefit from the practical information contained in this book. The includes ex-offenders, prison and jail re-entry programs, agencies that specialize in prison re-entry, juvenile detention centers, probation offices, social services agencies and other government agencies. The book is written in a simple and concise language that can be understood by people of various educational levels. Its comments are specifically directed to the ex-offender. [Read more...](#)

SAMHSA ADS CENTER: EMPLOYMENT AND THE PATH OF RECOVERY

Are you a person in recovery who has considered pursuing a career or wants to get back into the job market? Have you experienced barriers in your job searches or felt desirable jobs are beyond your reach? Are you concerned that returning to work could impact public benefits you receive? Would you like to find a meaningful and fulfilling occupation, one that matches your skills and interests?

Are you an employer who wants to promote health and wellness within your company? Have you wondered how you can support and maintain positive attitudes within your work environment? Would you like to hire and retain people with lived experiences that you feel can add value to your workforce? Are you interested in learning about what other employers have done to achieve these goals?

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) ADS Center works to increase dialogue and support implementation and replication of socially inclusive practices, programs, and policies throughout the country. In this e-resource update, we highlight a range of resources available at the SAMHSA ADS Center Web site designed to assist individuals seeking fulfilling and steady employment, help companies be supportive of their employees in recovery, and assist companies in reaching out to all their employees regarding mental health and wellness. The following resources and programs are a few of many found on the SAMHSA ADS Center Web site, <http://promoteacceptance.samhsa.gov>.

Know your rights and your responsibilities. Look up Accommodation Information by

Disability to understand how the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) defines disability, how particular disabilities are covered, what accommodations are required of employers, and ideas for implementing accommodations. Find this index under the Brochures, Fact Sheets, Guides and Toolkits page of the Employment section of our Web site at <http://promoteacceptance.samhsa.gov/topic/employment/brochures.aspx>.

Watch the archived teleconference The Role of Employment in Recovery and Social Inclusion: An Integrated Approach to learn about the important role employment plays in recovery, solutions to common barriers to employment, and current initiatives taking place to help support employment among people with mental health and substance use issues. You may access this archived teleconference at <http://promoteacceptance.samhsa.gov/teleconferences/archive/training/teleconference08142012.aspx>.

Read the recent article How Mental Health May Be Impacting Your Career to learn about the various factors that affect people with mental health issues. The article discusses how the health care system, unemployment offices, and employers can improve their services and resources to better accommodate these capable individuals. Find this article and others on the Books, Articles, and Research page of the Employment section of our Web site at <http://promoteacceptance.samhsa.gov/topic/employment/books.aspx>.

Peers . . .

Get inspired by Jacquelin's story of recovery, from almost losing her life to making a career of helping others on their own journeys of recovery. See how encouragement and support from others can turn someone's life around by reading her story at http://promoteacceptance.samhsa.gov/publications/mystory/story_jacquelin.aspx.

Gain insight and access valuable resources from the Peerlink National Technical Assistance Center. Learn about peer-run supports and services, including Project OPEN (Oregon Peer Employment Network), their peer employment specialist program; disclosing to your employer; and reasonable accommodations you may request. Find this resource organization and others at the Employment section of our Web site at <http://promoteacceptance.samhsa.gov/topic/employment/organizations.aspx>.

Check out Social Security's Ticket to Work program, which supports career development for Social Security beneficiaries with disabilities to help them build a career, save money, and progress toward financial independence. You can visit the program Web site and others from our page at <http://promoteacceptance.samhsa.gov/topic/employment/brochures.aspx>.

Employers . . .

Visit the Employer Assistance and Resource Network for guidance on best practices for recruiting, hiring, supervising, retaining, and advancing individuals with disabilities within your company. Find this resource organization and others at the Employment section of our Web site at <http://promoteacceptance.samhsa.gov/topic/employment/organizations.aspx>.

Watch the archived teleconference Corporate Pioneers—Creating Cultures of Caring:

Enhancing Health and Safety in the Workplace and the Larger Community to learn how three distinct, exemplary workplace initiatives in both private and public sector organizations have invested in emotional wellness and how this has led to benefits including enhanced corporate health, employee well-being, and employee retention. You may access this archived teleconference at

<http://promoteacceptance.samhsa.gov/teleconferences/archive/training/teleconference05092013.aspx>.

Share with us how employment has helped shape your recovery and inspire others on their journey by sharing your experience! Learn more about submitting your story to the My Story section of the SAMHSA ADS Center Web site at

<http://promoteacceptance.samhsa.gov/publications/mystory/mystoryguidelines.aspx>.

To learn more about recovery and socially inclusive programs and practices, visit our Web site at <http://promoteacceptance.samhsa.gov>.

We invite you to share this update with others who may be interested and to encourage them to join the SAMHSA ADS Center listserv by visiting

<http://promoteacceptance.samhsa.gov/main/listserve.aspx>.

J O B O P E N I N G S

(CSH) PROGRAM MANAGER

CSH is seeking an energetic, results-oriented Program Manager (PM) to work in Ohio. The ideal candidate is an accomplished professional with strong skills in project management, managing multiple projects and priorities with the proven ability to work well both independently and within a multi-disciplinary team environment. Applicants should be highly motivated, inspired and creative individuals, with the ability to track and report on details. Candidates should have experience and familiarity with permanent supportive housing, service support and or housing development. Direct experience with supportive housing is strongly preferred. This position will among other duties provide project management, technical assistance, monitor provider performance and referral and placement processes with CSH's Returning Home Ohio program. The Returning Home Ohio program is a collaboration among the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections, Ohio Housing Finance Agency, CSH, and nonprofit supportive housing providers in multiple cities across Ohio. Returning Home Ohio seeks to provide stable, affordable housing with services for persons released from state prison who have a severe disability. These individuals, due to their disability and histories of incarceration are not likely to access needed and appropriate behavioral and physical health treatment when released and are more likely to recidivate if not provided with supportive housing upon reentry to their communities. To read more about this job posting, click [here](#).

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