



July 23, 2014

TO: Juvenile Justice Providers and Stakeholders

FROM: Wayne Bear, JDCAP Executive Director

RE: 2014 PA Juvenile Justice Services Conference hosted by JDCAP

On behalf of JDCAP, I invite you to attend the 2014 PA Juvenile Justice Services Conference held at the Lancaster Marriott at Penn Square, September 24-26. This year's conference theme is Learning and Sustainability; Bridging the Gap Between Learning and Performance . In addition to the valuable networking opportunities, we have planned some excellent training sessions to include; Youth Mental Health First Aid, Applying Experiential Learning tools, Human Trafficking, Brain-based Learning, an update on PA's Juvenile Justice System initiatives including JJSES, SPEP, YLS etc., Transfer of Learning: Linking Workplace Training to Workplace Performance, Updates on Child Protective Service Law, Family Engagement, a panel presentation on PREA from recently audited facilities, and a presentation by the Youth Speakers Bureau (Juvenile Law Center).

**Conference Schedule-** Our conference is scheduled for September 24 -26 at the Lancaster Marriott at Penn Square in Lancaster. Enclosed is a conference agenda detailing the sessions being offered. If you have any questions about the agenda, please call Wayne at (717) 526-1010 x 3117 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) 526-1010 x 3112 or email her at llawyer@pacounties.org.

**Hotel Reservations**- Hotel reservations should be made directly with the Lancaster Marriott at Penn Square with either a one night's deposit per room or credit card information.

**Internet Access-** Complimentary internet in the Greatroom Lobby is available at all times. Guestrooms internet access is available at a discounted rate of \$8.95 per day.

**Parking-** Hotel parking is available at the reduced rate of \$5 for day guests. Day guests can get a parking voucher at the JDCAP conference registration desk. Parking is included in the overnight guest room rate. Parking is available adjacent to the hotel.

The housing deadline is September 2 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 M-12ZMRKB. You can also make your reservation by the Lancaster Marroitt at (888) 850-6146 or (717) 239-1600.

I look forward to seeing you in September.

AGENDA - (This agenda is subject to change)

### Wednesday, September 24

8:00 a.m. Conference Registration and Coffee Break

### 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. Experiential Learning: the Progression of Learning Through Experience

Tired of power point presentations and trainings that are more boring to teach then to learn from? This session will broaden your horizons to a different format of learning. We will look at different activities that can be used to teach many types of theories. Learning from reflection and applying it to life. Participants will walk away from this session with new ideas and resources for training and working with the youth that we serve.

Richard Hefner, Treatment Supervisor, Abraxas Academy

#### **Youth Mental Health First Aid (Part 1)**

Youth Mental Health First Aid is designed to teach parents, family members, caregivers, teachers, school staff, peers, neighbors, health and human services workers, and other caring citizens how to help an adolescent (age 12-18) who is experiencing a mental health or addictions challenge or is in crisis. Youth Mental Health First Aid is primarily designed for adults who regularly interact with young people. The course introduces common mental health challenges for youth, reviews typical adolescent development, and teaches a 5-step action plan for how to help young people in both crisis and noncrisis situations. Topics covered include anxiety, depression, substance use, disorders in which psychosis may occur, disruptive behavior disorders (including AD/HD), and eating disorders.

Francis Bartusis, Training Coordinator/PREA Manager, Montgomery County Youth Center James Bond, Youth Detention Counselor, Philadelphia Juvenile Justices Service Center

#### **Human Trafficking in PA**

This workshop will provide the participants the law enforcement perspective regarding the issue of Human Trafficking globally, nationally and locally with an emphasis on underage sex trafficking.

Speakers- To Be Announced

11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. **Lunch** (on your own)

1:00 - 4:00 p.m. Youth Mental Health First Aid (Part 2)

Participants must attend the morning session

#### **Explain the Brain to Train and Gain**

Presenter will address the overarching essential question: What strategies can be learned from brain research that can be implemented by those who work in the juvenile justice field?

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### Wednesday, September 24 (continued)

1:00 - 4:00 p.m. **Explain the Brain (continued)** 

Dr. Karen Walker, Lebanon Valley College Dr. Jane Yingling, Lebanon Valley College

# The Juvenile Justice System Enhancement Strategy: Achieving our Bal ance and Restorative Justice Mission Through Evidence-based Policy and Practice

During this session, participants will hear about the most recent statewide efforts to enhance the capacity of Pennsylvania's juvenile justice system to achieve its balanced and restorative justice mission by: Employing evidence-based practices, with fidelity, at every stage of the juvenile justice process; Collecting and analyzing the data necessary to measure the results of these efforts; and, with this knowledge; Striving to continuously improve the quality of our decisions, services and programs.

Leo Lutz, Director of Training and Graduate Education, Center of Juvenile Justice Training and Research

5:30 - 7:00 p.m. Welcoming Reception

### **Thursday, September 25**

8 a.m. Conference Registration and Coffee Break

### 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. Transfer of Learning: Linking Workplace Training to Workplace Performance I

This workshop consists of two independent sessions. This session examines the need for, and components of, a Transfer of learning process. The workshop is geared toward supervisors, administrators, training managers and trainers, however staff interested in their growth and professional advancement are welcome. The session trainers use discussion, activities and lecture to fully engage participants.

Gerald Gay, Training and Development Manager, Philadelphia Department of Human Service's Division of Juvenile Justice Sarah Grove, Training Director, Abraxas Academy

#### Child Protective Services Law: Impact on Juvenile Justice Services

Child Welfare representatives will provide an overview of the most recent changes to the Child Protective Services Law and engage participants in discussions about how these acts impact you and your agency.

Cindi Horshaw, Acting Bureau Director, Department of Public Welfare, Office of Children. Youth and Families.

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### **Thursday, September 25 (continued)**

8:30 - 11:30 a.m

#### Brain Injury and Its Impact on Youth in the Juvenile Justice System

HRSA reports that 60% of inmates in correctional facilities have experienced brain injury. Many of these individuals have a history of brain injury that occurred during youth, increasing the likelihood of incarceration. They are likely to have cognitive impairments that will impact their abilities to learn and negatively impact their behavior, leading to challenges in multiple environments. This presentation will focus on an overview of brain injury, including definitions, causes, prevalence, common effects and their impact on function. We will describe a method of screening for brain injury at various points in the Juvenile Justice system, and provide information about brain injury resources available for youth with brain injury.

Drew Nagele, PsyD
Brain Injury Association of PA, Treasurer, Board of Directors
Monica Vaccaro, M.S, Program Manager, Brain Injury Association of PA

11:45 a.m. - 1:15 p.m. **Lunch** (Included in conference fee)

### 1:15 - 4:15 p.m.

### Transfer of Learning: Linking Workplace Training to Workplace Performance II

This workshop consists of two independent sessions. This session allows participants to examine implementation of the TOL process within their individual environments. The workshop is geared toward supervisors, administrators, training managers and trainers. The session trainers use discussion, activities and lecture to fully engage participants.

Gerald Gay, Training and Development Manager, Philadelphia Department of Human Service's Division of Juvenile Justice Sarah Grove, Training Director, Abraxas Academy

### **Engaging Families: Improving Outcomes**

When children are involved with juvenile justice, the involvement of families is critical to a successful outcome. Yet, family involvement is frequently associated with negative rather than positive perceptions and relationships. Family and system partnership may be difficult, detrimental, or non-existent. This session engages participants in learning about the importance of dialogue between all the partners – families, youth, victims and system professionals. Its purpose is to identify and develop strategies and models that will support family involvement in the juvenile justice system in effective and measurable ways and that are rooted within balanced and restorative justice practice.

Wendy Luckenbill

### Juveniles for Justice: Incorporating Youth Voice in Juvenile Justice Reform Efforts

Staff from Juvenile Law Center together with youth advocates from Juveniles for Justice will discuss opportunities to engage youth who have been in the juvenile

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### **Thursday, September 25 (continued)**

1:15 - 4:15 p.m. **Juveniles for Justice (continued)** 

justice system in efforts to improve the system. Youth who have been through the juvenile justice system will describe their experiences and their efforts to improve the system for other youth, as well as strategies to engage other youth in reform efforts.

Catherine Marie-Chezik Moffa, Associate for Youth Engagement, Juvenile

Law Center

6:30 - 9:00 p.m. **Awards Banquet** 

### Friday, September 26

8:30 - 9:30 a.m. **Breakfast** (Included in conference fee)

9:30 -11:30 a.m. PREA Experience Post Audit

Services through a discussion highlighting their audit experiences. This will provide attendees an excellent opportunity to hear firsthand how juvenile justice facilities successfully navigated their way through and implemented the PREA Standards.

Marueen Raquet, U.S. Department of Justice Certified PREA Auditor

Francis Bartusis, Training Coordinator/PREA Manager,

Montgomery County Youth Center

John Corr, Deputy Director of Programs, Bucks County Youth Center

Megan Delaney-Townsend, Chester County Youth Center

Ethan Davis. Bureau of Juvenile Justice Services

noon Adjournment

If you have any special dietary or physical accommodations or needs as defined by The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), please notify the JDCAP staff in advance of the Conference. Please contact Lori Lawyer at (717) 526-1010 x 3112 or *llawyer@pacounties.org* or Wayne Bear at (717) 526-1010 x 3117or *wbear@pacounties.org*.

Full Conterence Rates: Members - \$275 Non Members - \$325
Your registraion fee includes all conference breaks, materials and lunch on Thursday,
One Day Registration Wednesday: Members - \$100 Non Members \$130 One Day Registration Thursday (Doesn't include Banquet Ticket): Members \$130 Non Members \$160 One Day Registration Friday: Members - \$60 Non Members \$80 Banquet Ticket - \$60 (pay only if not registered for the full conference)
Wednesday, September 24
Please check the class(es) you wish to attend:  A) Experiential Training (8:30 - 11:30)  B) Youth Mental Health First Aid (Part 1) (8:30 - 11:30)  C) Human Trafficking in PA (8:30 - 11:30)  D) Youth Mental Health First Aid (Part 2) (1:00 - 4:00)  E) Explain the Brain (1:00 - 4:00)  F) Juvenile Justice System Enhancement Strategy (1:00 - 4:00)
Thursday, September 25 - Please check the class(es) you wish to attend:
G) Transfer of Learning for Managers & Trainers (Part 1) (8:30 - 11:30)  H) CPSL (8:30 - 11:30)  I) Traumatic Brain Injury (8:30 - 11:30)  J) Transfer of Learning for Managers & Trainers (Part 2) (1:15 - 4:15)  K) Engaging Families(1:15 - 4:15)  L) Juveniles For Justice (1:15 - 4:15)
M) Awards Banquet (6:30 - 9:00) (for an accurate meal count please check if you are attending)
Friday, September 26  N) PREA Experience Post Audit
Amount Enclosed \$
2014 PA Juvenile Justice Services Conference hosted by JDCAP  REGISTRATION INFORMATION  (Don't forget to make a copy of this form for your records)
NameTitle
(as you want it to appear on your name badge)
Facility/Provider
PhoneEmail
Mailing Address
Special Physical or Dietary Requirements
REFUNDS: There will be a \$50 service charge for each refund requested before September 15. No refunds

Make check payable to "JDCAP" and return with registration form to: **JDCAP Annual Conference**, **PO Box 60769**, **Harrisburg PA 17106**; **phone**: **(717) 526-1010** fax: **(717) 526-1020** 

will be processed after **September 15, 2014**. Substitutions are allowed.