

About the W.Va. Court Improvement Program

The West Virginia Court Improvement Program (CIP) is funded through the Administration for Children and Families and the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia. The CIP Oversight Board is chaired by the Honorable Gary L. Johnson, Chief Judge of the 28th Judicial Circuit. The Board and its subcommittees are multidisciplinary.

Judge Johnson and Senior Status Judge Robert B. Stone co-chair the training committee that planned this year's conferences.

CIP aims to promote safety, timely permanency, well-being, and due process for children and families in the child welfare system.

To learn more about W.Va. CIP, please visit its website: www.wvcip.com.



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The Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia Court Improvement Program

Annual Child Abuse and Neglect Cross-Training Conferences

July 13-14, 2009
Oglebay, Wheeling, W.Va.

July 16-17, 2009
Tamarack, Beckley, W.Va.



Focusing on the Family

This free, two-day conference has been approved for the following continuing education credits:

Attorneys/Judges: 8.1 credits each day
Social Workers: 7.5 credits each day
Counselors: 7.5 credits each day
Nurses: 7.5 hours each day
Domestic Violence Advocates: 7.5 hours each day
(Day One 6.5 Child Victimization and 1.0 Collaboration and Systems Advocacy; Day Two varies depending on workshop selections)



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Learning Objectives

Day One:

- Learn the the dynamics of child abuse and neglect, ways to identify child abuse and neglect, and the procedure of a Chapter 49 child abuse and neglect case
- Explore collaboration of disciplines in identifying and addressing child abuse and neglect issues

Day Two:

- Learn updates in child abuse and neglect law
- Explore specialized topics to improve practice
- Explore collaboration of disciplines in identifying and addressing child abuse and neglect issues

Conference Caveats

The conferences at Oglebay and Tamarack will have the same format, although speakers for certain sessions will vary.

The conferences are free, but pre-registration is required and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Lunch will be provided each day at the Oglebay conference but not at the Tamarack conference, where lunch options are plentiful.

Travel expenses are the responsibility of participants and/or their organizations. A block of rooms with special rates has been reserved under group "W.Va. Supreme Court" until **June 15, 2009**, at Oglebay, Wheeling (800-624-6988) and Country Inn and Suites, Beckley (800-596-2375).

Cancellation Policy

Space is limited to 200 people each day of the conferences. Once registration capacity is reached, a waiting list will be implemented.

Please specify if you only plan to attend one day.

If you register but cannot attend, please cancel your registration by using the link for changes on your registration confirmation email or calling Kandi Greter at 304-340-2755.

In 2008, 121 people were "no shows." A registration fee may be required next year if this pattern persists.

Day One

8:00 a.m.-8:30 a.m.

Basic Child Abuse and Neglect Procedure

Registration

8:30 a.m.-9:00 a.m.

A Survivor's Story

9:00 a.m.- 9:45 a.m.

Recognizing Risk Factors for Child Abuse and Neglect and Reporting

Joyce Yedlosky and M. Dave Lowman

9:45 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

Break

10:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.

Knowing Your Resources and Limits in Responding to Child Abuse and Neglect

Maureen Runyan

11:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Filing of the Child Abuse and Neglect Petition

Kimberly Crockett at Oglebay

Kelly Hamon at Tamarack

11:45 a.m.- 12:45 p.m.

Lunch (provided at Oglebay, on own at Tamarack)

12:45 p.m.- 2:00 p.m.

The Child Abuse and Neglect Case, Part I

Catherine Munster

2:00 p.m.-2:15 p.m.

Break

2:15 p.m.-3:15 p.m.

The Child Abuse and Neglect Case, Part II

Catherine Munster

3:15 p.m.- 3:30 p.m.

Break

3:30 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.

The Child Abuse and Neglect Case, Part III

Catherine Munster

4:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m.

Bringing Everything Together: A Judge's Suggestions for Successful Advocacy

Judge Arthur Recht at Oglebay

Judge John A. Hutchison at Tamarack

Day Two

8:00 a.m.-8:30 a.m.

Registration

8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

The Psychology of an Abused or Neglected Child

Amy Wilson Strange, Ph.D.

9:30 a.m.- 9:45 a.m.

Break

9:45 a.m.- 10:45 a.m.

When Worlds Collide: The Multidisciplinary Treatment Team

Judge Mary Ellen Griffith

10:45- 11:45 a.m.

Update on the Law

Robert Wilkinson

11:45 a.m.- 12:45 p.m.

Lunch (provided at Oglebay, on own at Tamarack)

12:45 p.m.-2:00 p.m.

Workshop A: Ethics of Representing Children and Involving Children in Court Proceedings

Judge Mary Ellen Griffith

Workshop B: Helping Families with Substance Abuse Issues

Dr. James A. Peykanu at Oglebay

Dr. John M. Yarbrough at Tamarack

Day Two continued

2:00 p.m.- 2:15 p.m.

Break

2:15 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

Workshop C: Understanding Issues Unique to Older Youth

Jane Moran

Workshop D: Helping Parents with Mental Illness

Dr. James A. Peykanu at Oglebay

Dr. John M. Yarbrough at Tamarack

3:30 p.m.- 3:45 p.m.

Break

3:45 p.m.- 5:00 p.m.

Workshop E: Helping Families When Parents Have Intellectual Disabilities

Fran Allen

Workshop F: The New Way Child Protective Services Will Be Assessing Safety

Toby Lester

Online Registration (Preferred Method)

For Oglebay, Wheeling, July 13 and 14, 2009, go to <https://www.regonline.com/wvcipcrosstrainingoglebay>.

For Tamarack, Beckley, July 16 and 17, 2009, go to <https://www.regonline.com/wvcipcrosstrainingtamarack>.

Registration by Mail or Fax

Name: _____

Profession: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Conference you would like to attend (check all that apply):

Oglebay, Wheeling Day One (July 13) Day Two (July 14)

Tamarack, Beckley Day One (July 16) Day Two (July 17)

We will send an email to notify you of your registration status.

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