



HOPE...

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**ENGAGE**

**MJJA 2020**

**SPRING EDUCATIONAL**

**CONFERENCE**

**MAY 27TH–29TH**

**KANSAS CITY**

# HOPE...

*Don't miss KL Randis, the bestselling author of "Spilled Milk" our keynote speaker on Wednesday afternoon. In her book she describes her harrowing experience with childhood sexual abuse by her father and the grueling process of prosecution.*

# CHANGE...

**"Whatever It Takes" is the title of a new book by Dr. Bryan Pearlman. This has also been his motto and mission for decades. He shares his own personal struggles as a student and his successes as a teacher and administrator helping students with challenging behaviors and those that have been traumatized. Dr. Pearlman infuses many stories, strategies, and out of the box ideas for helping all students to be successful in this engaging presentation on Thursday morning.**

# ENGAGE

**Thursday afternoon will feature a panel of juvenile justice experts that will examine current legal, legislative, and trending issues in juvenile justice and child welfare. Panelists will include Tammy Walden, Chief Juvenile Officer, 26th Circuit; Bill Prince, Chief Juvenile Officer, 31st Circuit/MJJA Policy Team Chairman; Bev Newman, Court Programs Manager, Office of State Courts Administrator; Teri Armistead, Deputy Director, Missouri Children's Division.**

**AGENDA**

**DRAFT**

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 27**

11 A.M. REGISTRATION OPENS

12:30–1:30 P.M. OPENING REMARKS

MARTY YUST, MJJA BOARD PRESIDENT

PRESENTATION OF HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS

JIM WALLIS AND KATIE HARRISON, CO-CHAIRS MJJA PUBLIC ED/DEVELOPMENT TEAM

**1:30–3:00 P.M. PLENARY: “SPILLED MILK”**

3–3:15 P.M. REFRESHMENT BREAK

**3:15–5 P.M. WORKSHOPS:**

Q & A WITH K.L. RANDIS

TITLE I, PART D

BASIC CULTURAL COMPETENCE—ROOTS AND TOOLS

TURNING DATA IN ACTION: ETHNIC AND RACIAL DISPARITIES IN JUVENILE JUSTICE

DO NO HARM: A VICTIM CENTERED APPROACH TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING

**THURSDAY, MAY 28**

7:30 - 8:15 A.M. BREAKFAST

8:15 - 8:30 A.M. MORNING WELCOME

**8:30 - 10 A.M. PLENARY: WHATEVER IT TAKES FOR ALL STUDENTS TO SUCCEED IN SCHOOL AND LIFE**

10 - 10:15 A.M. BEVERAGE BREAK

**10:15 A.M. - 12 P.M. WORKSHOPS:**

ADVANCED JUVENILE LAW AND BEST PRACTICES FOR SRO'S

I'M SAD, MAD, AND TRAUMATIZED AND YOU STILL EXPECT ME TO LEARN?

SUCCESSFUL RE-ENTRY PLANNING

CLEAR THE AIR ON VAPING

PRE-ADJUDICATION DISCOVERY ISSUES

**12 P.M.—LUNCH**

MJJA EXCELLENCE IN JUVENILE COURT PROGRAM AWARD

**THURSDAY, MAY 28 –CONT.**

**DRAFT**

**1:30–3 P.M. WORKSHOPS:**

I'M SAD, MAD, AND TRAUMATIZED AND YOU STILL EXPECT ME TO LEARN?  
(REPEAT OF MORNING SESSION)

MISSOURI CROSSOVER YOUTH IMPLEMENTATION TOOLKIT

DISCRETIONARY DECISIONS AND MINOR JUVENILE OFFENSES–THE OTHER SIDE OF POLICY  
SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY

3–3:15 P.M. REFRESHMENT BREAK

**3:15–4:45 P.M. PLENARY:**

**WHAT'S HAPPENING IN JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD WELFARE**

*5–6 P.M. PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION ~ MJJA RAFFLE*

**FRIDAY, MAY 29**

**7:30–8:15 A.M. BREAKFAST**

**8:15–9:45 A.M. WORKSHOPS:**

CONFIDENTIALITY AND RELEASE OF INFORMATION AND RECORDS

UNDERSTANDING AND RESPONDING TO YOUTH WITH PROBLEM SEXUAL BEHAVIOR PART 1

PRINCIPALS OF UNDERSTANDING, MENTORING INNER CITY YOUTH EDITION

MISSOURI MEDICAL MARIJUANA REGULATORY PROGRAM

RESTORATIVE PRACTICE

9:45–10 A.M. BREAK - ON YOUR OWN

**10–11:30 A.M. WORKSHOPS :**

UNDERSTANDING AND RESPONDING TO YOUTH WITH PROBLEM SEXUAL BEHAVIOR PART 2

ADOLESCENT MENTAL HEALTH: THE INTERSECTION OF TRAUMA, DIAGNOSIS  
AND ENVIRONMENT

UNDERSTANDING MISSOURI MEDICAL MARIJUANA

RESTORATIVE PARENTING

DEALING WITH THE JUDGE

11:30 A.M. CONFERENCE ADJOURNS

## **WHO SHOULD ATTEND:**

JUVENILE AND FAMILY COURT PERSONNEL

JUVENILE DETENTION PROFESSIONALS

JUDGES

ATTORNEYS

CHILDREN'S DIVISION

DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES

LAW ENFORCEMENT

GUARDIANS AD LITEM

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EDUCATORS

CHILD ADVOCACY CENTERS

CHILD CARE PROVIDERS

YOUTH SERVICE PROFESSIONALS

SOCIAL WORKERS

PRIVATE PRACTITIONERS

SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES

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(NON-MEMBER RATE)

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# PLENARY SESSIONS AND WORKSHOPS

## WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

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**Plenary—"Spilled Milk"**—Kelly Randis, who goes by the pen name K.L. Randis, started journaling at age six and had short stories and poetry published by age thirteen. Randis found a lack of literature that described what a child had to go through when testifying against an abuser, particularly when the abuser was a parent. As an avid reader and journal-keeper, she penned the novel 'Spilled Milk' to help future generations of children who were sexually abused navigate the court system. Randis works closely with professionals in social service and criminal justice fields—including non-profits— to bring about policy changes.

**Workshop—Q&A with K.L. Randis**—This workshop will be a continuation of the plenary, "Spilled Milk", as a question and answer session.

**Workshop—Turning Data in Action: Ethnic and Racial Disparities in Juvenile Justice**—Nearly 20 years ago, the W. Haywood Burns Institute called out the 'multi-million dollar cottage industry whose primary activity (it) is to restate the problem of disparities, endlessly adoring the question but never reaching an answer.' This state of affairs resulted in part from the complexity of the problem of racial injustice in America. In this session, we will demonstrate meaningful responses to this call to action. Participants will learn how to interpret relative rate index (RRI) data, uncover disparities at juvenile justice decision points and develop strategies to address ethnic and racial disparities throughout the local system. Presenters will offer practical solutions for increasing fairness and reducing biases for youth and families involved in the justice system.—**Pamela Behle, Director of Assessment and Development Services , Justine Greve, Program Manager of Research & Development, Jackson County Family Court, 16th Circuit**

**Workshop—Title I, Part D**—This session will cover resources that are available for schools and other agencies to assist with educationally at-risk populations. Participants will learn the history of federal education legislation and how funds for schools and facilities is calculated and allocated. —**Christina Scott, Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)**

**Workshop—Basic Cultural Competence-Roots and Tools**—Participants receive an overview of culturally competent terminology, inclusive language, and understand how choice of language and behavior result in Implicit Bias, micro-aggressions, micro-messaging (acts of incivility). While understanding how these concepts reveal one's own Cultural DNA, and how their own Cultural DNA impacts professional perceptions that impact decision-making, participants learn and discuss how improving their cultural competence can improve workplace climate, and outcomes for clients, and client relations.—**Juanita M. Cleaver Simmons, retired Vice President of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion at Northwest Missouri State University**

**Workshop—Do No Harm: A Victim Centered Approach to Human Trafficking**—This workshop will be a very brief review of what trafficking is, including discussion of the culture of trafficking, who are the victims, how do we identify an individual who has been trafficked, what do we do in the event we have encountered a trafficked minor, victim or offender: how do we tell the difference, and challenges involved when working with minor aged HT victims and ways to address such challenges.—**Kris Wade, Executive Director, The Justice Project**



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## THURSDAY MORNING

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**Plenary Session—Whatever it Takes for All Students to Succeed in School and Life**—“Whatever It Takes” is the title of a new book by Dr. Bryan Pearlman. This has also been his motto and mission for decades. He shares his own personal struggles as a student and his successes as a teacher and administrator helping students with challenging behaviors and those that have been traumatized. Dr. Pearlman infuses many stories, strategies, and out of the box ideas for helping all students to be successful in this engaging presentation.—**Dr. Bryan Pearlman, Founder & Head Trainer, Most Valuable Professional Development (POST APPROVED 1.5 hrs. Interpersonal)**

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**Workshop—Advanced Juvenile Law and Best Practices for SRO's** —School Resource Officers, Juvenile Officers and School Administrators work hand in hand to ensure that schools are safe and the educational atmosphere is conducive to successful learning all while protecting the rights of juveniles and adhering to Statutes, Supreme Court Rules and Juvenile Officer Performance Standards. This workshop will cover some common issues / challenges when conducting and/or participating in interviews/interrogations, sharing of information and records, a discussion of the appropriate role of the juvenile officer in school related matters, as well as an update on raising the age of juvenile court jurisdiction. —**Bev Newman, Court Programs Manager, Office of State Court’s Administrator and Tammy Walden, Chief Juvenile Officer, 26th Judicial Circuit**

**Workshop—Successful Re-Entry Planning**—This presentation will explore common barriers or roadblocks experienced by youth attempting to reenter successfully school and the community at large after incarceration. Participants will brainstorm ideas that practitioners can put in place to strategically address these barriers with a focus on family and school engagement as a component of the reentry planning process. —**Christina Scott, Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)**

**Workshop—Clear the Air on Vaping** — This presentation will examine the growing epidemic of e-cigarettes in young adults. Common myths and rumors regarding vaping are addressed, providing clarity regarding the impact of e-cigarettes AND why young adults are being the target of e-cigarette marketing. Participants will also have a better understanding of the federal Tobacco 21 law, and the impacts (and pitfalls) to our youth. At the conclusion of the discussion, prevention and intervention strategies for parents, teenagers, educators, and other personnel who work with youth will be offered.—**Sherri Miller, Youth Prevention Specialist, Tri-County Mental Health Services (POST APPROVED 1.5 hrs. Interpersonal)**

**Workshop—Pre-Adjudication Discovery Issues** — This session will review the rules of discovery, both informal and formal, in Juvenile Court. Common problems and practical tips for both abuse/neglect and delinquency cases will be discussed. Topics will include seeking HIPAA protected medical/treatment records of parents in abuse/neglect cases, seeking Protective Orders for forensic interviews of children, taking and defending depositions, including of expert witnesses, and ensuring that exculpatory evidence in delinquency cases is obtained and disclosed pursuant to the requirements of Brady v. Maryland.—**Monica Penrose and Daniel Barry, Attorneys for the Juvenile Officer, Jackson County Family Court**

# PLENARY SESSIONS AND WORKSHOPS

## THURSDAY AFTERNOON

**Plenary Session—What’s Happening in Juvenile Justice and Child Welfare**—A panel of juvenile justice experts will examine current legal, legislative, and trending issues in juvenile justice and child welfare. **Panelists: Tammy Walden, Chief Juvenile Officer, 26<sup>th</sup> Circuit; Bill Prince, Chief Juvenile Officer 31<sup>st</sup> Circuit/MJJA Policy Team Chairman; Bev Newman, Court Programs Manager, Office of State Courts Administrator; Teri Armistead, Deputy Director, Missouri Children’s Division.**

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**Workshop—Missouri Crossover Youth Implementation Toolkit**— Youth who cross between Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice are often referred to as Crossover Youth, and they historically experience the most negative outcomes. Missouri’s commitment is to ensure services to Crossover Youth are equitable, youth centered, trauma informed, promote well-being, and are inclusive of the best of what our communities have to offer.

Building on the work of Missouri’s Crossover Youth State Policy Team, experiences of pilot projects and ongoing assessment of field practice and outcomes, several key youth serving organizations partnered with the Center for Juvenile Justice Reform to create the Missouri Crossover Youth Toolkit. The toolkit is designed as a complete guide for child welfare and juvenile justice professionals to implement best practices for Crossover Youth. In this session, participants will receive training on the Missouri Crossover Youth Toolkit’s purpose, content, and utility, including the System Self-Assessment which will empower them to identify system strengths and areas where practice change should begin. Participants will leave this session with knowledge of how to access the Missouri Crossover Youth Toolkit, and clear first steps to begin implementing best practices for Crossover Youth in their respective circuits.—**Alexandra Miller, PhD., Program Manager, Center for Juvenile Justice Reform at Georgetown University and Natalie Allen, Program Development Specialist, Missouri Children’s Division**

**Workshop—Discretionary Decisions and Minor Juvenile Offenses —“The Other Side of Policy:”** - The participants review a case study of a real event that begins with an eleven-year-old, African American, sixth grade boy, who is accused of a sexual offense in his new public school. The school administrators of this predominantly White, suburban school use their discretion for consequences that directly impact the future of the boy and his family’s circumstances. Participants study the chronology of events, discuss and deconstruct alternative methods that might have been used, and discover the outcomes and current status of this male.—**Juanita M. Cleaver Simmons, retired Vice President of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion at Northwest Missouri State University**

**Workshop—Sex Offender Registry**—This presentation will provide an overview of The Sex Offender Registration and Notification ACT (SORNA) and the provisions under Missouri law regarding the juvenile and public sexual offender registry as well as recent changes in the law. The focus of the discussion will target issues regarding the sexual offender registry which directly impact juvenile law and practice.—**Laura Harrold, Chief Trial Officer, 22nd Judicial Circuit-Family Court, Juvenile Division**

# WORKSHOPS

## FRIDAY MORNING

DRAFT

**Workshop—Understanding and Responding to Youth With Problem Sexual Behavior Part 1** —This training will provide professionals in the field the tools and knowledge to differentiate between typical and atypical/problematic sexual behaviors in children. Tools will be identified and shared to assess for safety and to support and empower caregivers to address these problematic behaviors and ensure the safety of the child victim. Additionally, tips will be shared to increase knowledge about the level of community intervention at home, at school and when residential care might be indicated. This training is designed to give professionals the tools and knowledge they need to address these issues in a way that increases both a positive outcome for the child victim, the child with sexual behavior problems and their caregivers while also improving community safety.—**Matthew J. Moncado, MS, LPC, JSOCC, Director of the Sexually Abusive Youth Program, Good Samaritan Boys Ranch and Rene McCreary, Ed.S., LPC**

**Workshop—Restorative Practice**—The fundamental hypothesis of restorative practices is that human beings are happier, more cooperative and productive, and more likely to make positive changes in behavior when those in positions of authority do things with them, rather than to them. This social science is gaining traction in multiple arenas. Clearly articulated theory becomes necessary for restorative practices to be effective and sustainable. The implementation of this powerful practice can bring life changing transformation and healing to so many areas of our lives and society.—**Bishop Luther D. Baker, CEO/President, Man of Valor**

**Workshop—Missouri Medical Marijuana Regulatory Program**—This presentation will cover the Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) strategies related to the implementation and on-going operation of the program. Attendees will be presented with a variety of information including the program's history, timeline for implementation, goals, and status of patient registration and facility application implementation. We will also discuss where the program is headed in the next six months to year.—**Erica Ziegler, Department of Health and Senior Services**

**Workshop—Confidentiality and Release of Information and Records**—This workshop will address juvenile court records and proceedings, confidentiality and the release of information to victims and their rights. Further, protective orders will be discussed as well as what information Juvenile Officers and School Resource Officers can provide to schools.—**Darren Korte and Tyler Smith, Attorneys for the Juvenile Officer, 16th Judicial Circuit**

**Workshop—Principals of Understanding, Mentoring Inner City Youth Edition**—This workshop will focus on strategies and approaches for engaging inner city youth via mentoring. We will also discuss the wrap around approach and the importance of direct lines of communication. —**Frank Gilmore, Educational Gilmore Speaks, LLC, New Jersey**

# WORKSHOPS

## FRIDAY AFTERNOON

DRAFT

**Workshop—Understanding and Responding to Youth With Problem Sexual Behavior Part 2** —This session will be a continuation of the Friday morning session. This training will provide professionals in the field the tools and knowledge to differentiate between typical and atypical/problematic sexual behaviors in children. Tools will be identified and shared to assess for safety and to support and empower caregivers to address these problematic behaviors and ensure the safety of the child victim. Additionally, tips will be shared to increase knowledge about the level of community intervention at home, at school and when residential care might be indicated. This training is designed to give professionals the tools and knowledge they need to address these issues in a way that increases both a positive outcome for the child victim, the child with sexual behavior problems and their caregivers while also improving community safety.—**Matthew J. Moncado, MS, LPC, JSOCC, Director of the Sexually Abusive Youth Program, Good Samaritan Boys Ranch and Rene McCreary, Ed.S., LPC**

**Workshop—Restorative Parenting**—What Restorative Parenting intends to do is to help support your style and to do so in a way that cultivates secure attachments, healthy development, and a capacity for working with the wounds that inevitably arise from family life. Rather than allow such injuries to cause us to feel lost and alienated, we instead utilize them to live more fully and bring our individual and collective gifts to the family, the community, and the world at large.—**Bishop Luther D. Baker, CEO/President, Man of Valor**

**Workshop—Adolescent Mental Health: The intersection of Trauma, Diagnosis and Environment**—This session will explore the intersection of how trauma, an unstable living environment and a behavioral health diagnosis impact an adolescents functioning. Clarifying which symptoms are similar and which symptoms are distinct to each will be discussed and treatment options explored.—**Laura Heitmann, LCSW, Community Mental Health Liaison, Arthur Center Community Health (POST APPROVED 1.5 hrs. Interpersonal)**

**Workshop—Dealing With The Judge**—This session will address the pitfalls which exist in the relationship between juvenile court personnel and juvenile judges. The presentation will explain the philosophical basis for the rule against ex parte communication and how to avoid inappropriate exchanges of information with the judge. The discussion will explore questions about the appropriateness of various interactions with judges in a variety of contexts and the importance of maintaining the independence of juvenile officers.—**Hon. Darrell Missey, 23rd Judicial Circuit, Abigail Sapp, Office of Child Advocate**

**Workshop—Understanding Missouri Medical Marijuana**—In 2018, the citizens of Missouri voted to legalize Cannabis for medicinal use. Emergency rules were established to set forth the guidelines for medicinal Cannabis. This presentation explains parts of the emergency rules that are important to law enforcement. —**Trooper Ryan Hutton, Instructor, MSHP Training Division (POST APPROVED 1.5 hrs. Technical Studies)**