The Wins of Change

MJJA 2021
Fall Educational Conference

October 27-29, 2021

Margaritaville Lake Resort
Lake of the Ozarks

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Osage Beach, MO.
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This will work up until the cutoff date of September 28. After September 28, you will need to call the reservations department directly in order to check availability and make reservations.

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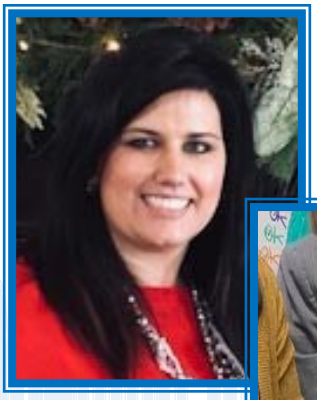
What's Happening in Juvenile Justice and Child Welfare



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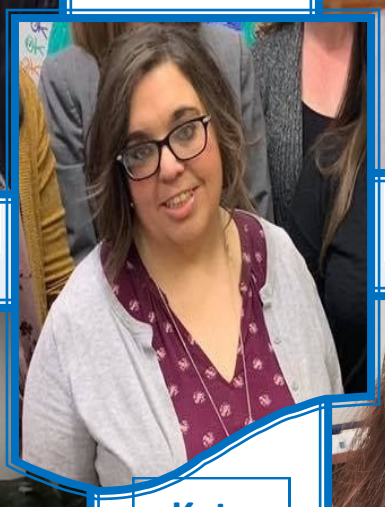

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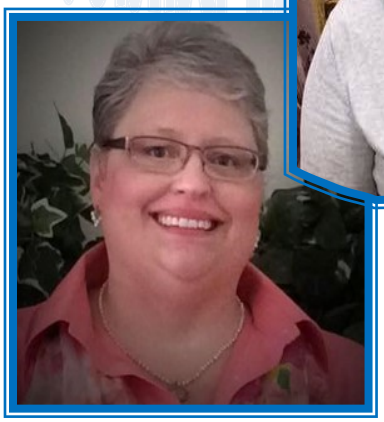

Bev Newman

Teri Armistead

A panel of juvenile justice and child welfare experts will examine current legal, legislative, and trending issues in juvenile justice and child welfare.

Panelists: 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; Sara Smith, Deputy Director, Missouri Children's Division and Kate Watson, Court Engagement Manager, Missouri Children's Division and Moderator: Abby Sapp, former counsel for the Juvenile Officer in the 23rd Judicial Circuit and former General Counsel for the Office of Child Advocate.

Shelly Farnan-Moore, PSY.D.

Plenary:

Cultivating Inclusion: Widen the screen about LGBTQIA+ youth

Our youth *always* deserve our best which requires us to stick to the basics and facts, understand and take care of ourselves, and remain open and ready to listen and learn. In this plenary session, we stick with brain science, elevate the realities of LGBTQIA+ youth, understand where we, as the human of the professional, come from then practice self-love and self-care, as we do a little listening and learning about best practices along the way.

Workshop:

Honest Conversations: Widening our screen for LGBTQIA+ Youth

In this workshop, we build on the foundation of the plenary session by participating in experiential activities to “widen our screens” specific to the LGBTQIA+ youth experience. We will put brain science in to action as we practice the application of best practices in care to save lives through igniting hope and fostering resilience; yes for the youth *and* for *you*.

Jane Straub

Plenary:
The Children Are Not Okay: Impact of Domestic Violence

Domestic violence is pervasive in our communities – with 1 in 4 females experiencing abuse at the hands of a partner during her lifetime. Children are not immune or shielded from the violence. Not only do millions of children witness the abuse of their mother, but many experience child abuse themselves. This session will discuss the prevalence of DV, the intersection of DV and child maltreatment and how these behaviors permeate the day-to-day climate of the home, leading to the cycle of abuse being handed down from generation to generation. Identification of harm will be discussed, as well as strategies to support the mother and the children. Skill building and increasing resiliency will also be presented.

Workshop:
Consent: What It Is and Why You Need It!

Consent is about communication and it should happen every time. Students will learn strategies on how to recognize consensual versus nonconsensual behaviors and how to withdraw consent if at any time things feel uncomfortable. Learning Objectives for this workshop: 1) Define consent and how to communicate it; 2) Recognize boundary violations; 3) Identify times when consent cannot be given; 4) Recognize responsibilities in respecting another's choices.

AGENDA

Wednesday, October 27

11 a.m. Registration Opens

12:30 p.m. Opening Remarks
Marty Yust, MJJA Board President

1 - 2:30 p.m. Plenary: *What's Happening in Juvenile Justice*

2:30 - 2:45 p.m. Refreshment Break

2:45 - 4:30 p.m. WORKSHOPS

5 p.m. 6th Annual 5K for Kids - Run/Walk
Margaritaville 5K Trail - Overpass between buildings C & D

Thursday, October 28

7:30 - 8:15 a.m. Breakfast—Paradise A

8:15 - 8:30 a.m. Morning Welcome
Marty Yust, MJJA Board President

8:30 - 10 a.m. Plenary: *Cultivating Inclusion: Widen the screen about LGBTQIA+ youth*

10 - 10:15 a.m. Beverage Break

10:15 - 12 p.m. WORKSHOPS

12 - 1:30 p.m. Lunch—Paradise A
5K For Kids Run/Walk Awards
Andrew Jackson Higgins Award
Marty Yust, MJJA Board President

1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. WORKSHOPS (afternoon break 3—3:15 p.m.)

5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. President's Reception
MJJA Raffle

Friday, October 29

7:30 a.m. - 8:15 a.m. Breakfast

8:15 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. Plenary: *The Children Are Not Okay: Impact of Domestic Violence*

9:45 a.m. - 10 a.m. Break - on your own

10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. WORKSHOPS

11:30 a.m. Conference Adjourns

Additional workshops & information coming soon!