



AGENDA

Monday, October 18th

9:00 am-9:20 am

WELCOME & GREETINGS

Honorable Michael Stamm

*Juvenile Law Committee, Chair
Circuit Court for St. Mary's County*

Honorable Theresa M. Adams

*Foster Care Court Improvement Program (FCCIP), Chair
Circuit Court for Frederick County*

Honorable Yolanda Tanner

*Child Welfare Education Workgroup, Chair
Circuit Court for Baltimore City*

9:20 am-9:30 am

OPENING REMARKS

Honorable Joseph M. Getty, Chief Judge

Maryland Court of Appeals

9:30 am-10:30 am

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Pierre Quinn, Motivational Speaker

Pierre Quinn, Cardell Group

10:30 am-10:40 am

Child Welfare Service Announcement (CSA) – Maryland Research Online Communications Center (MDROCC)

Magistrate Peter Tabatsko, (ret.)

FCCIP, Juvenile & Family Services

Abigail Hill, Esq.

FCCIP, Juvenile & Family Services

10:40 am – 11:55 am

MORNING BREAK

11:55 am -12:55 pm

PLENARY SESSION I (Part 1)

Reaching Outcomes: Permanency Planning/Reasonable Efforts

Honorable Leonard Edwards (ret.)

*Consultant, Mentor Judge Center for Families, Children and The Courts
National Council of Juvenile Family Court Judges*

12:55 pm -1:30 pm

PLENARY SESSION I (Part 2)

**Reaching Outcomes: Permanency Planning/ Concurrent Planning/
Reasonable Efforts**

Honorable Anne Albright

Circuit Court for Montgomery County

Magistrate Althea R. Stewart Jones

Circuit Court for Prince George's County

1:30 pm-2:30 pm

LUNCH

2:30 pm-3:00 pm

PLENARY SESSION II

What's New at the Department of Human Services (DHS)

Michelle Farr, Executive Director

Social Services Administration, Department Human Services

3:00 pm-3:50 pm

BREAK OUT SESSIONS One-

1. Racial Bias – A Deeper Understanding

Judge Earnestine Gray, ret. New Orleans Parish Juvenile Court

National Juvenile Defender Center

Christina Gilbert, Esq.

Senior Staff Attorney & Policy Counsel

National Juvenile Defender Center

Sherika Shnider, Esq.

Staff Attorney

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2. Children's Health

Dr. Jennifer Maehr, MD, FAAP

Medical Director, Department of Juvenile Services

Dr. Wendy Lane, MD

Associate Professor, University of Maryland

Medical Director, Center for Hope-Baltimore Child Abuse Center

Dr. Maria Francesca Rodowski-Stanco, MD

Director, Child, Adolescent and Young Adult Services

Behavioral Health Administration, Maryland Department of Health

3. Nuts & Bolts of CINA – Part 1

Magistrate Erica Wolfe

Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County

Magistrate James Casey (ret.)

Circuit Court for Baltimore City

4. Spotlight Data in your Court and Improve Outcomes

Dr. Alicia Summers

Capacity Building Center for Courts

Dr. Corey Shdaimah, Esq.

University of Maryland, School of Social Work



3:50 pm-4:00 pm

CSA – CANDO On Demand Series

Honorable Yolanda Tanner

Circuit Court for Baltimore City

4:00 pm-4:50 pm

BREAK OUT SESSIONS Two-

1. Racial Bias – The Judicial Role in Counteracting It

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4:50 pm-5:00 pm

EVALUATION and SUBMISSION

Tuesday, October 19th

9:00 am-10:15 am

OPENING PLENARY

Case Law & Legislative Updates (State and Federal)

Honorable Theresa M. Adams

FCCIP Subcommittee, Chair

Circuit Court for Frederick County

Leslie Ridgway, Assistant Attorney General

Maryland Office of the Attorney General

Child Welfare Education Workgroup, Member

10:15 am-10:45 am

PLENARY SESSION III

Implementing Davis (Davis v. State, 474 Md. 439 (2021))

Honorable Michael J. Stamm

Juvenile Law Committee, Chair

Circuit Court for St. Mary's County

Honorable William Tucker

Juvenile Justice Subcommittee, Chair

Circuit Court for Howard County

Assistant Secretary Betsy Fox Tolentino

Department of Juvenile Services

10:45 am-11:00 am

CSA – National Association of Counsel for Children (NACC)

Kim Dvorchak, JD

Executive Director, NACC

11:00 am-11:15 am

BREAK

11:15 am- 12:15 pm

PLENARY SESSION IV

Department of Juvenile Services: Moving Forward

Secretary Sam Abed

Department of Juvenile Services

Assistant Secretary Betsy Fox Tolentino

Department of Juvenile Services

12:15 pm-1:15 pm

LUNCH

1:15 am-2:00 pm

PLENARY SESSION V

HOW EFFECTIVE ARE OUR EFFORTS?

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Think of Us, CEO

2:00 pm-2:10 pm

EVALUATION and SUBMISSION



Thank you for participating!



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