JCJC Graduate Education Program Celebrates the Class of 2015

Congratulations to the Class of 2015 of the Juvenile Court Judges’ Commission’s Graduate Education Program at Shippensburg University! Commencement ceremonies were held at Shippensburg University’s H. Ric Luhrs Performing Arts Center on Friday, May 8, 2015. Prior to the commencement exercises, the JCJC graduates were recognized with a reception, hosted at the Shippensburg University Foundation Conference Center. In attendance at the reception were several members of the JCJC, the staff of the JCJC and the CJJT&R, several University administrators, faculty of the Criminal Justice Department, as well as family and friends of the graduates.

The graduates of the Class of 2015 are from top left to right: John DiSalvo (Adams); Devin Yeager (Northumberland); Dawn Hooton (Lebanon); Carrie Orndorff (Dauphin); Dora Housekeeper (Franklin); Troy Smith (Dauphin).

Carrie Orndorff was named the Graduate Student of the Year. She will receive the Dr. Anthony F. Ceddia Award for Outstanding Scholarship in Juvenile Justice at the Pennsylvania Conference on Juvenile Justice on November 5, 2015.

On behalf of the Juvenile Court Judges’ Commission and the faculty at Shippensburg University, we offer our congratulations on these students’ outstanding achievements and wish them all the very best in their future endeavors.

Reminders:

- **2015 James E. Anderson Pennsylvania Conference on Juvenile Justice**
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The 2015 James E. Anderson Pennsylvania Conference on Juvenile Justice

November 4-6, 2015

at the Harrisburg Hilton & Towers

The 2015 James E. Anderson Pennsylvania Conference on Juvenile Justice will conclude with Resource Day – 2015, during which representatives from residential and community based programs, along with other service providers and vendors will be available to discuss their programs with the Pennsylvania juvenile justice community. This informal marketplace will offer an important opportunity for consumers to learn about new and innovative services.

Registration Opens in August!

www.jcjc.state.pa.us

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The Pennsylvania Council of Chief Juvenile Probation Officers
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Call for Presentations
The 2015 James E. Anderson Pennsylvania Conference on Juvenile Justice

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The sponsors of The 2015 James E. Anderson Pennsylvania Conference on Juvenile Justice are requesting proposals for workshop presentations to be offered on Thursday, November 5, 2015. Preferred workshop topics are those related to Balanced and Restorative Justice, the Juvenile Justice System Enhancement Strategy (JJSES) and/or evidence-based practices in general. Workshops should be designed for a 90 minute presentation, and will be offered in a morning session, and repeated in the afternoon. Interested presenters should complete this form and return it by Friday, June 26, 2015. In order for your application to be considered, please submit a program description, a brief biography of the trainer and any supplementary materials.

- Proposed title of workshop: ____________________________________________

- Brief description of presentation: (50 words or less) _______________________
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- Brief biography of the trainer(s): (50 words or less) ________________________
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- Please list a reference and contact information of someone who is familiar with the trainer/presentation:
  Name:________________________________________
  Agency:_______________________________________
  Telephone:___________________________________
Please Note: Up to two presenters from each selected workshop will be our guests during the course of the three-day conference with all registration fees waived. Presenters will be responsible for their own lodging and travel expenses.

• **This workshop is recommended for:** (check all that apply)

  □ Juvenile Court Judges    □ Juvenile Court Masters
  □ Residential Program Providers    □ Community Prevention Specialists
  □ Juvenile Probation Officers    □ Chief Juvenile Probation Officers
  □ Juvenile Probation Supervisors    □ Victim Services Representatives
  □ Local and State Policy Officials
  □ Other (please specify) __________________________________________

Name of principal contact person/trainer: ________________________________

Agency/organization and address: __________________________________________
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Telephone: __________________ Fax: _________________________________

Email address: __________________________________________

PLEASE RETURN THIS APPLICATION AND ATTACH ALL SUPPLEMENTARY PROGRAM DESCRIPTIVE MATERIALS, TRAINER’S VITA, AND PARTICIPANT HANDOUTS BY FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 2015 TO:

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JCJC Graduate Education Program
Accepting Applications for the Class of 2018

Looking to advance in Juvenile Justice?

Applications are now being accepted for the Juvenile Court Judges' Commission-sponsored Graduate Education Program at Shippensburg University. Members of the class of 2018 will begin classes in the Summer of 2016.

The Shippensburg University program offers students a Master of Science degree in the Administration of Justice. This is a 36-credit hour program that includes courses in research methods, theory, administration, and policy analysis. Also featured is a practicum study which is conducted throughout the two-year program. The practicum study provides students the opportunity to evaluate data from their home county to address relevant research needs and topics (i.e. case planning, detention reform, YLS, diversion, and/or Disproportionate Minority Contact.

What are the benefits of the JCJC Graduate Education Program?

- Free tuition;
- Free lodging on class weekends;
- No weekday or evening classes;
- A Master's curriculum specifically tailored to working juvenile justice professionals;
- Networking with other juvenile justice professionals from across the Commonwealth;
- Opportunity to learn how to evaluate juvenile justice programs in your county.

This program is available to county juvenile probation officers – and county juvenile detention staff – who will have at least two years of post-baccalaureate experience in the juvenile justice field prior to the start of classes. Other juvenile justice professionals – such as residential placement staff and victim services providers – may also apply and be accepted into the program on a "self-pay" basis as space is available.

Additional information about the program is available on the Graduate Education pages at [www.jcjc.state.pa.us](http://www.jcjc.state.pa.us). If you have any questions regarding eligibility or the application process, please contact Kelly Waltman-Spreha at 717-477-1185.

Case Planning Handbook - YLS/CMI Version Now Available

The JJSES Leadership Team is excited to announce the release of the Case Planning Handbook - YLS/CMI Version. The Handbook is the result of a collaborative effort between the JJSES Leadership Team, the Assessment/Case Planning Committee of the Pennsylvania Council of Chief Juvenile Probation Officers and the Carey Group. It is designed to assist staff who have been trained through the Quality Case Planning Curriculum to select case plan goals and activities that align with the criminogenic needs identified by the YLC/CMI. The structured design of the handbook provides a point of reference for juvenile probation officers as they develop case plans using activities to build skills and achieve goals that reduce a youth's risk to reoffend. The Handbook can be located on the JCJC website, and it will soon be available on the website of the Pennsylvania Council of Chief Juvenile Probation Officers.

Case Planning Handbook – YLS/CMI Version

April 2015

Developed by the Pennsylvania Council of Chief Juvenile Probation Officers, Juvenile Court Judges' Commission and the Carey Group under the Juvenile Justice System Enhancement Strategy (JJSES).

Achieving Our Balanced and Restorative Justice Mission
Through Evidence-Based Policy and Practice

"Case plans are written documents that articulate goals and activities that are to be completed during a youthful offender's supervision. Supervision levels, services, and interventions that are attentive to the principles of Balanced and Restorative Justice are fundamental to the development of case plans in the Commonwealth."

Quote from the Juvenile Justice System Enhancement Strategy Implementation Manual, Stage Two

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The current study builds upon the coaching study presented in the April, 2015 edition of Pennsylvania Juvenile Justice (RIB # 14). Utilizing officer testimonials, survey data, skill use data, and revocation rates, the current study examines the impact of coaching with the program Staff Training Aimed at Reducing Rearrest (STARR). After being trained officers would submit audiotapes, from which they would receive coaching. Officer testimonials confirm previous survey findings that coaching was a method to ensure knowledge skill transfer. Additionally, STARR skills use increased from 14% to 59% over the course of one year.

Coaching in the probation field is an emerging concept. With an increased need for fidelity to programs as well as adherence to Risk, Need, and Responsivity (RNR) principles, coaching is one way to foster officer skill development. The current study examines officer testimonials, survey data, and other data to examine possible effects of coaching. Officers in a United States Probation Office attended one 3-day STARR training. STARR training emphasizes the use of core correctional practices in office visits specifically to address pro-social behavior and thinking. Officers would then submit audiotapes and attend mandatory coaching sessions. Coaching encompassed personal coaching sessions as well as group coaching. After reaching proficiency, as determined by an expert trainer, the participants attended a 2-day coaching training. These officers would then coach the following waves of STARR trained officers. New coaches would receive feedback from expert trainers.

When surveyed, almost all officers (92%) agreed or strongly agreed that listening to their tapes enhanced their skills. Seventy-seven percent would listen to every contact they audio taped. Some (38%) agreed or strongly agreed the conversation was different than they remembered. Nearly half of officers (46%) reported anxiety prior to commencement of coaching. One of the more powerful officer statements was, “I can honestly say that without the individual coaching and booster
(coaching) session, my use of STARR would have declined or stopped shortly after returning from my initial STARR training.” In approximately one year’s time, the percentage use of STARR in appointments increased 45% when this training/coaching model was utilized. The department cites over 70% of their officers trained are using the STARR skills in at least half of their contacts. Finally, the study reports that 12-month revocations decreased 14% in the same timeframe. The department attributes this to the implementation of RNR principles and the use of STARR.

Practical Applications

- Identify and train in-house coaches for complex skill sets.
- When providing feedback/coaching it is important to encourage the individual to verbalize their perception of how they did. Help the person to identify their strengths as part of the process.
- Coaching staff through the implementation of new skills helps to solidify changes in practice. Supervisors should consider affirming staff who are involved in providing or receiving coaching.
- It is important to create a safe environment for coaching. Individuals may be anxious before receiving coaching. Setting expectations and explaining the process prior to the coaching event may ease some anxiety for individuals.
- Learning new skills takes time. Build time in to your schedule to practice and receive feedback.

Limitations of Information

The data from the survey contained a small sample size and may not be indicative of all attitudes and perceptions. Participants were from the United States Probation Office and may have different attitudes and perceptions than those of Pennsylvania Juvenile Probation Officers. The study included revocation reduction data, which it is not certain to what degree coaching influenced any increased positive outcomes. Finally, it is not clear if organizational structure or culture influenced any of the findings.

Caveat:
The information presented here is intended to summarize and inform readers of research and information relevant to probation work. It can provide a framework for carrying out the business of probation as well as suggestions for practical application of the material. While it may, in some instances, lead to further exploration and result in future decisions, it is not intended to prescribe policy and is not necessarily conclusive in its findings. Some of its limitations are described above.
**OJJDP Adds Data on Hispanic Youth to Statistical Briefing Book**

OJJDP has updated its Statistical Briefing Book (SBB) to include content on Hispanic youth in the juvenile justice system. This resource provides new information on the Hispanic juvenile population and Hispanic arrests and juvenile court cases.

Developed by the National Center for Juvenile Justice, the research division of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, SBB offers easy online access to statistics on a variety of juvenile justice topics.

Resources:
Access the OJJDP Statistical Briefing Book.

**OJP Releases Online Guide on Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children**

The Office of Justice Programs (OJP) Diagnostic Center has published “Resource Guide: Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children.” This online guide provides resources and publications to help policymakers address commercial sexual exploitation of children at the state, local, and tribal levels.

Resources:
Learn more about OJJDP's programs and resources on addressing commercial sexual exploitation of children.

**OJJDP Bulletin Presents Findings from Evaluation of Juvenile Drug Courts**

OJJDP has released “Juvenile Drug Courts: A Process, Outcome, and Impact Evaluation.” This bulletin provides an overview of an OJJDP-sponsored evaluation of juvenile drug court intervention programs, their processes, and key outcomes. The authors examined the effectiveness of nine juvenile drug courts in reducing recidivism and improving youth’s social functioning and determined whether these programs used evidence-based approaches.

Resources:
Visit OJJDP’s funding page for juvenile drug court grant opportunities.
Access OJJDP’s Juvenile Drug Courts Program page.

**Applications Being Accepted for School-Justice Partnerships Certificate Program**

The Center for Juvenile Justice Reform (CJJR) at Georgetown University’s McCourt School of Public Policy is accepting applications for its inaugural 2015 School-Justice Partnerships Certificate Program: Fostering Success for Youth At Risk to be held September 28–October 2, 2015, in Washington, DC. This program, held in partnership with the American Institutes for Research, will provide information for school and district staff, juvenile justice and court professionals, law enforcement, and child-serving community leaders to address the needs of youth involved in—or at risk of entering—the juvenile justice system. Apply by July 10, 2015.

CJJR will be hosting a free webinar on May 6, 2015, at 2:00 pm ET that will provide an overview of the certificate program. Click here to register. This webinar is part of a five-part series through OJJDP’s Center for Coordinated Assistance to States.

Resources:
Learn more about CJJR’s programs as part of CCAS.
OJJDPO Announces New Funding Opportunities

Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program: Vermont. The award recipient will maintain and expand the Vermont Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and improve its effectiveness to prevent, interdict, investigate, and prosecute Internet crimes against children and technology-facilitated child exploitation. Applications are due by June 15, 2015.

Second Chance Act Smart on Juvenile Justice: Community Supervision. This program will provide planning grants to state and local government agencies and federally recognized Native American/Alaskan Native tribes to support their efforts to develop a comprehensive strategic plan to implement evidence-based reforms to reduce recidivism and improve outcomes for juveniles under community supervision. Applications are due by June 15, 2015.

Initiative To Develop Juvenile Reentry Measurement Standards. OJJDP is seeking proposals to develop standards to document and measure juvenile reentry service delivery, practices, and outcomes. Applications are due by June 10, 2015.

Smart on Juvenile Justice: Community Supervision Training and Technical Assistance Program. This grant program will provide training and technical assistance to state and local government agencies and federally recognized Indian tribes to support efforts to implement evidence-based reform strategies to reduce recidivism and improve outcomes for juveniles under community supervision. Applications are due by June 10, 2015.

Juvenile Drug Courts Communities of Practice. This program will fund Communities of Practice, a project to promote information sharing and learning among juvenile drug courts. The successful applicant will develop strategies for juvenile drug courts to connect with one another to share resources, discuss developments and trends, identify best practices, and establish peer-to-peer networks. Applications are due by June 10, 2015.

Youth with Sexual Behavior Problems Program. This program will fund agencies that use a comprehensive, multidisciplinary approach to provide intervention and supervision services for youth with sexual behavior problems and treatment services for their child victims and families. Applications are due by June 15, 2015.

Juvenile Justice Model Data Project. This project will identify critical information requirements across the juvenile justice system and will develop model data elements with recommended definitions and coding categories that administrative data systems and other juvenile justice-related data collection efforts can adopt. The award recipient will also develop model measures and analyses with broad and practical applications. Applications are due by June 16, 2015.

Police and Youth Engagement: Supporting the Role of Law Enforcement in Juvenile Justice Reform. This solicitation will provide funding to an eligible applicant to support the convening of a youth and law enforcement roundtable and development of an institute on best practices and innovative approaches relating to law enforcement, youth, and juvenile justice. Applications are due by June 16, 2015.

Mentoring Opportunities for Youth Initiative. This solicitation supports organizations as they strengthen and/or expand their existing mentoring activities with local subawardees and/or other mentoring organizations. Mentoring activities include direct one-on-one, group, peer, or a combination of these types of mentoring services for at-risk and underserved youth populations. Applications are due by June 23, 2015.

Mentoring for Youth: Underserved Populations. This solicitation will support mentoring services for underserved populations, including youth with disabilities, youth in foster care, and lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or questioning youth (LGBTQ). Applications are due by June 23, 2015.

Resources:
Visit OJJDP’s funding page for more information about these solicitations.
The JCJC/CJJT&R Staff Development schedule is being updated regularly with more workshops. Please be sure that you check the listing frequently.

- **YLS Master Trainer Recertification**
  Days Inn State College
  Assessment/ Case Plan Committee
  6/17-18/2015

- **Heroin and Other Narcotics**
  Days Inn State College
  Bruce Schaffer
  6/18-19/2015

- **Diversity Issues in Criminal Justice: Creating Space for Honest Conversations**
  Days Inn State College
  Jason Sole
  8/4/2015

- **YLS Master Trainer Recertification**
  Days Inn State College
  Assessment/ Case Plan Committee
  8/5-6/2015

- **Darker Side of Technology**
  Pennsylvania Child Welfare Resource Center
  James Dill
  8/19/2015

- **Prescription Drug Abuse**
  Days Inn State College
  Dr. Paul Martin, D.O.
  8/27-28/2015

- **Cognitive Behavioral Training**
  Days Inn State College
  Mark Carey
  9/10/2015

- **Reactive Attachment Disorder**
  Days Inn State College
  Amy Swigart
  9/16/2015

- **Orientation For The New Juvenile Probation Professional Session I**
  Holiday Inn Harrisburg East
  9/21/2015

- **Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Disorders (FASD)**
  Pennsylvania Child Welfare Resource Center
  Robin VanEerden
  9/29/2015

- **YLS Master Trainer Recertification**
  Pennsylvania Child Welfare Resource Center
  Assessment/ Case Plan Committee
  9/30 - 10/1/2015

- **Gangs**
  Days Inn State College
  Bruce Schaffer
  10/14-15/2015

- **Orientation For The New Juvenile Probation Professional Session II**
  Holiday Inn Harrisburg East
  10/19/2015

- **Responsivity and Pre-Contemplative Primer Training**
  Days Inn State College
  Mark Carey
  10/21/2015

- **Ultimate Educator**
  Holiday Inn Harrisburg East
  Anne Seymour
  10/28-29/2015

- **Youth Level of Service (YLS) Master Trainer Certification**
  Days Inn State College
  Ben Rea, Shannon Semmel
  11/18/2015

Please remember, all the details on these and other sponsored workshops may be reviewed at any time by visiting [www.jcjcems.state.pa.us](http://www.jcjcems.state.pa.us) for regular updates to the schedule.

*Hosting a training you would like to see listed here? E-mail us the details and we’ll list it in our next issue.*
Position: Director of Court Services
Starting Salary Range: $40,775 – 54,367
Position ID #: 15-17
Location: Williamsport
Organization: Unified Judicial System
Category: Management
Department: 29th Judicial District, Lycoming County
Post Date:
Remarks: Starting salary will vary depending upon the qualifications and employment history of the selected candidate.

Description:
This management position assists the District Court Administrator in the overall operation of the Lycoming County Court of Common Pleas and provides oversight to the court service departments (Adult Probation, Juvenile Probation, and Domestic Relations) in the areas of fiscal management, budgeting, and program improvements. Responsibilities also include coordinating IT automation projects, writing/coordinating grants for new funding for court departments and operations, and overseeing hiring and disciplinary matters. Work is performed under the general direction of the District Court Administrator.

Typical Duties:
- Supervises and participates in planning activities with department heads and the Court Administrator regarding program development and related expenses for the court and court service departments, including investigation of funding streams from local, state and federal resources.
- Serves as a centralized personnel function for the court supervising important hires as well as coordinating serious disciplinary functions in conjunction with the Court Administrator.
- Meets regularly with department heads to oversee significant day-to-day management problems and needs.
- Collaborates with the Court Administrator on significant management issues/needs to effectively operate the courts.
- Oversees the preparation of the annual budget and monitoring of related expenses.
- Identifies and expands revenue sources throughout the courts by seeking grants and using current fiscal resources.
- Assists the court as directed with the administration of all court cases (Treatment Court, Problem Solving Courts and all other matters involving the court or court-related departments).

Minimum Qualifications:
- Bachelor's degree in Judicial, Business, or Public Administration, or closely related field; AND
- Two years of experience in court management or three years of varied office management work including experience in budgeting, procurement, and personnel management.
- An equivalent combination of education, experience, and / or training may be considered.

Additional Requirements / Preferences:
- Satisfactory criminal background check required.

How to Apply:
Apply online at www.pacourts.us/judicial-administration/human-resources/job-openings/.

Unified Judicial System Hiring Policy

The Unified Judicial System of Pennsylvania recruits, employs, and promotes the most qualified applicants without regard to their political affiliation, race, color, age, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, ancestry, religious creed, disability, or other non-merit facts or considerations. Reasonable accommodations will be provided to applicants with disabilities as may be necessary to ensure that all applicants are given a fair and equal opportunity to compete for all employment positions. Applicants who need accommodation for an interview should request so in advance. All hiring policies and procedures are intended to conform to all provisions of the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, and all other state and federal statutes governing fair and non-discriminatory hiring practices.
July 29th – 31st at Days Inn, State College.

Individual Registration:

$180.00 per person – if received by July 17, 2015

$225.00 per person – if received on or after July 18, 2015

This cost includes the conference registration from July 29-31, 2015. Continental breakfasts will be provided on the 30th and the 31st. Afternoon refreshments are also provided on the 30th.

CEU credits are available for this conference. Hours of CEUs will be determined once all presenters are secured and we obtain their accreditations. For more information, go to www.nbcc.org.

Hotel arrangements must be made by the attendee (please use code CGSAPE for conference room rate).

**Online registration and additional information can be found at www.sapen.org**

Wednesday, July 29

“Engaging Sex Offenders in Treatment” - David Prescott, LICSW

David Prescott serves as a Clinical Director and Director of Professional Development for the Becket Family of Services. He has produced 13 book projects and numerous articles and chapters in the areas of assessing and treating sexual violence and trauma. Mr. Prescott is a past president of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, the largest professional organization of its kind in the world. He is also the 2014 recipient of that organization’s Distinguished Contribution award, one of only a handful of recipients. Previously, he received the Bright Lights award from the National Adolescent Perpetration Network in 2007. Mr. Prescott is a Certified Trainer for the International Center for Clinical Excellence and a member of the Motivational Interviewing Network of Trainers. He has lectured around the world, including most recently in Australia, Japan, Iceland, Poland, and Romania. He also serves on the editorial boards of three scholarly journals, Motivational Interviewing: Training, Research, Implementation, and Practice, Sexual Abuse: A Journal of Research and Treatment, and the Journal of Sexual Aggression.

Thursday, July 30

“#cyberoffense: Assessment, Management and Treatment of Cyberoffenders” - Dr. David Delmonico

Dr. David Delmonico is a Professor at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Dr. Delmonico conducts research, consultation, and training on topics related to problematic sexual behavior including compulsive cybersex and cyberoffense behavior. Dr. Delmonico has co-authored three books on these topics and presents nationally to clinicians, probation officers, clergy, and other professionals on how best to assist adults and adolescents with problematic sexual behavior. Dr. Delmonico is director of the Online Behavior Research and Education Center (OBREC) at Duquesne University and Associate Editor of the Sexual Addiction & Compulsivity journal.

Thursday, July 30

“Human Trafficking” - Agent Brad Orsini, FBI

Special Agent (SA) Bradley W. Orsini entered on duty as a Special Agent in September, 1988. Following completion of training in Quantico, Virginia, SA Orsini was transferred to the Newark Division of the FBI. SA Orsini spent over 16 years working violent crimes, gangs, drug organizations, public corruption and civil rights investigations. In 2004, SA Orsini was transferred to the Pittsburgh Division where he was assigned to the Public Corruption/Civil Rights Squad. Currently, SA Orsini is the Training and Crisis management Coordinator for Western Pennsylvania and West Virginia.
Prior to joining the FBI, SA Orsini was on active duty as an officer in the United States Marine Corps. SA Orsini earned a Bachelor of Science in Administration of Justice from the Pennsylvania State University.

Friday, July 31

“PREA” - Ms. Maureen G. Raquet
(Break-out session)

Maureen G. Raquet is a U.S. Department of Justice Certified PREA Auditor. She has been conducting PREA Audits for County run Juvenile Detention Centers and for Private Providers throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania since obtaining her certification in 2014. She feels that her skill set is a perfect match for conducting these Audits due to her lengthy experience in Pennsylvania’s Juvenile Justice System. Prior to her retirement from County government in 2013, she was the Executive Director of the Montgomery County Youth Center (2000-2013), Secure Detention Coordinator (1992-2000), Montgomery County Juvenile Probation Officer (1980-1992) and a Lower Merion Township Police Officer (1978-1980). Having run a residential program for many years, she is very familiar with the DPW 3800 regulations and this enables her to understand how the PREA process fits into Pennsylvania programs.

Maureen is a member of the PCCD Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Committee, having been appointed by Governor Rendell in 2007. She is a member of the Funding and Systems Enhancement sub-committees. She is the chairperson of the Detention workgroup.

In addition to her PREA Audits, she is a part time regional SPEP consultant through the EPIS Center at Penn State and an adjunct professor of Criminal Justice at West Chester University. Maureen holds a Bachelor of Arts from Lafayette College and a Master’s in Criminal Justice/Juvenile Justice from the JCJC program at Shippensburg University. She received the JCJC Graduate Student Award in 1989 and the Montgomery County Juvenile Probation Officer of the Year Award in 1985. She was President of the Juvenile Detention Centers Association of Pa. and received their Distinguished Service Award. She also was the recipient of the Montgomery County Women’s Senior Leadership Award.

Friday, July 31

“Understanding Autism” - Heidi Hess, Autism Society of Pittsburgh (Break-out session)

Online registration and additional information can be found at www.sapen.org

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