

The Court Improvement Project of the NV Supreme Court, the NV Division of Child and Family Services, and the Sierra Association of Foster Families are proud to present the

REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP GRANT TRAINING INSTITUTE

An exciting and engaging all-day training for Professionals involved with the Nevada Child Welfare System

MONDAY, MAY 4, 2009 — 9:00 AM TO 5:30 PM AT THE GRAND SIERRA RESORT

Event Schedule and Speakers



Welcome and Opening Remarks 9:00 -9:15 am

Joseph Galata, Ph.D. - Executive Director, Sierra Association of Foster Families



Regional Partnership Grant (RPG) 9:15 -10:00 am

Ken DeCerchio, MSW, CAP - Program Director, Center for Children and Family Futures

Overview of the RPG and background on federal initiatives and national efforts to develop collaborative service provisions between child welfare and substance abuse prevention and treatment.



System Challenges 10:00 -11:00 am

Norma Moyle - Social Worker, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Western Nevada Agency

Involvement of parents/foster parents in the child welfare and criminal justice systems. Understanding system navigation and addressing addiction.

Break 11:00 -11:30 am

Bridging Between Parents 11:30 am -12:30 pm

Discussion about how biological parents, foster parents, and children are affected by methamphetamine and other drugs. This will include a parent consumer presentation by a mother recovering from meth use.

Lunch on Your Own 12:30 am -2:00 pm



Biochemistry of Methamphetamine Addiction 2:00 - 3:30 pm

Melissa Piasecki, MD - Professor of Psychiatry, University of Nevada School of Medicine Dr. Piasecki will review the chemical and physiological aspects of methamphetamine addiction including common effects on cognition, emotion, and daily functioning

Break 3:30 - 4:00 pm



Judicial Panel Discussion 4:00 - 5:30 pm

The Honorable Jennifer Elliot - Clark County Dependency Mothers Drug Court The Honorable John Tatro - First Judicial District Michael Lea (not pictured)- Specialty Courts Specialist, Clark County Courts Administration



Overview of the Family Court process for biological and foster parents including a multidisciplinary panel representing judges, court masters, specialty courts staff, and attorneys to discuss the handling of cases involving parents with substance use disorders.

> SEATS ARE LIMITED, SO PLEASE REGISTER EARLY TO ENSURE YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THIS EXTRAORDINARY EVENT

COST: \$50

Continuing Education Units Will Be Awarded

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