



Tuesday, March 27, 2012 / 10:30 PM – 12:00 Noon

Workshops- Track D

D-1: Reducing Disproportionality through Community Strategic Planning

This workshop will review community indicators on disproportionality in Broward County from birth through age 22. Presenters will discuss how the Broward Children's Strategic Plan is reducing disproportionality with Results Based Accountability™. Chairs from the Juvenile Justice Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) and the Prosperity committees will provide specific examples.

Presenters:

Sue Gallagher, Director of Research, Analysis & Planning, Children's Services Council of Broward County
Catherine Baez, Program Specialist, Children's Services Council of Broward County
Courtnee Biscardi, Vice President of Programs, Urban League of Broward County

D-2: Black Children and the Great Recession

This workshop will discuss the direct and indirect impact of the recession on children. Black children are among the most impacted children by the recession. This presentation will document the harm caused to black children by the recession and the policies needed to improve their well-being.

Presenter:

Algernon Austin, Director, Race, Ethnicity and the Economy, Economic Policy Institute

D-3: Reducing Inappropriate Out-of-Home Institutional Placements Through a System of Care

This workshop will discuss how NJ implemented a statewide System of Care model for serving youth with behavioral health challenges that has led to a dramatic decrease in institutional care including juvenile detention.

Presenters:

Jeffrey Guenzel, Director, NJ Division of Child Behavioral Health, New Jersey Department of Children and Families
Alan Vietze, Assistant Director, NJ DCBHS, NJ Department of Children and Families

D-4: The Nova Scotia Home for Colored Children: Impact on Children of African Descent

This workshop will present an overview of the work being conducted by the NSHCC in Nova Scotia, Canada. Recognizing the structural inequality that faces Black children, youth and families, the NSHCC has been providing child care for 90 years. Workshop participants will learn about the NSHCC and share residential experiences.

Presenters:

Veronica Marsman, Executive Director, Nova Scotia Home for Colored Children
Sylvia Parris, President, Nova Scotia Home for Colored Children

D-5: Working with the Juvenile Justice System: An Innovative Approach to Treating Adjudicated Youth

This workshop will outline the innovative approach to treating youth that allowed for the first ever public/private merger in Ohio, initiating a state-wide evolution relative theory and practice. The unprecedented focus on disproportionality, community-based services, and transitional planning as a result of this merger will be discussed.

Presenters:

Runako Pitts, MCJ, LICDC, Residential Program Director, Starr Commonwealth
Okpara Rice, Executive Director, Starr Commonwealth
Jawana Richardson, LISW-S, Clinical Director, Starr Commonwealth

D-6: Bullying - Views from Both Sides

This workshop will explore the issue of bullying as reflected through the eyes of youth. Urban and rural youth were asked to provide their definition of bullying on both sides of the bullying experience. Input from the youth on what interventions they believed best addressed this behavior will be shared.

Presenter:

Dr. Pamela Higgins Saulsberry, Professor of Social Work, The University of Louisiana @ Monroe

D-7: 10 Strategies Proven Effective to Inspire Even the Most Difficult Students

This workshop will present 10 strategies proven to be effective at building relationships, grabbing attention, and inspiring students. Learn to speak the language of today's youth using relevant multi-media, physical activities, and visual metaphors. The strategies are used to inspire students in K-12 schools and organizations worldwide.

Presenter:

Christian Moore, Founder, The WhyTry Organization