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Dear FADCP Members:

We start this year focused and ready to address initiatives that impact Florida's drug courts. We will closely monitor legislation through the oversight of Judges May and Beach who admirably guide FADCP on these important issues. Top of the legislative priority this year will be monitoring the Reentry bills (SB2714 and HB 1587). We thank Senator Rich and Representatives Bogdanoff and Porth for their sponsorship. We will call upon membership to assist us with legislative priorities and ask for your support and action.

We will continue to work with the Office of the State Courts Administrator (OSCA) as they coordinate the Florida's Post-Adjudicatory Drug Court Expansion Program impacting nine of our drug courts statewide. The goal of the drug court expansion plan project is to expand adult post-adjudicatory drug courts to reduce future prison admissions.

We recognize Jennifer Grandal with the OSCA for all her tireless efforts to manage this complex project. We thank all the judges, coordinators, county staff, and OSCA for their hard work and commitment to implement the Post-Adjudication Drug Court Expansion Program. Immense hard work at the state and local level has been put forth to operationalize this program in less than six months.

The FADCP is exploring training opportunities for our drug court programs in 2010. The success of the October distance learning session conducted by Dr. Marlowe provided excellent training and continuing education credits. With tight budgets, the distance learning session will be the viable option to afford training for our drug court professionals. The FADCP Training Committee is helping to coordinate and develop the next distance learning session which is slated for October 27, 2010 with Michael Nerney (see specifics on page 3).

The FADCP Board has established two committees to review drug court capacity and judicial education and ways in which we can celebrate National Drug Court Month. The Drug Court Capacity and Judicial Education Workgroup is chaired by Judge Jack Espinosa, Jr., 13th Circuit. In addition to Judge Espinosa, the workgroup includes Judge Marcia Beach, 17th Judicial Circuit; Director Bruce Grant, Office of Drug Control; Jim Downum, 13th Circuit; Georgina Rullo, 6th Circuit; and Jennifer Grandal, OSCA. The workgroup is charged to address the

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following: 1) How to increase the capacity of drug courts to a level that is commensurate with the size of the circuit and the population that should be served; 2) Identify incentives and strategies that may help increase the willingness of judges to serve in drug courts; and 3) Identify strategies to increase educational courses through the Judicial College that focus on substance abuse, mental health and drug courts.

The National Drug Court Month Celebration Committee is chaired by Judge Deborah White-Labora, 11th Circuit. The committee is comprised of Gary Hilko, 17th Judicial Circuit, Georgina Rullo, 6th Circuit and Aaron Gerson, OSCA. The committee will explore ways in which we can celebrate National Drug Court Month on state and local levels. Last year, Florida won the national award from the National Association of Drug Court Professionals for best recognition of National Drug Court Month through the 20th Anniversary Celebration and 10th Annual Florida Statewide Drug Court Graduation both held in Miami on May 15, 2009.

As I close, I would like to once again thank Bill Janes for his dedication and support of drug courts during his tenure as Director of the Office of Drug Control. Mr. Janes admirably served the FADCP Board and Florida's drug courts. We wish him continued success. We appreciate the support of our FADCP Board and membership who provide the vision and voice for Florida's drug courts.

Best Regards,



May is Drug Court Month!

FADCP is preparing for Drug Court Month Now – Is Your Drug Court?

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NADCP ASKS YOU TO SAVE THE DATE!

National Drug Court Month is just around the corner. This year, Drug Courts throughout the country will be celebrating National Drug Court Month with the theme:

"All Rise: Putting Drug Court Within Reach of Every Person in Need."

This year our goal is to have a Drug Court commencement take place in all fifty states on the same day! Let's All Rise and make this a reality! Your National Drug Court Month Field Kit will be released by April 5 and will be available for download at www.AllRise.org. For now, please save these dates:

National Drug Court Commencement Week: **May 17-21, 2010**
National Drug Court Commencement Day: **Thursday, May 20, 2010**

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FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF DRUG COURT PROFESSIONALS Legislative Alert

March 31, 2010

This is my first formal alert to you this year. So far, things are going well. There are a number of pieces of legislation to keep your eye on.

- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Budget Items
- HB445/SB782, involving Pretrial Release Programs
- HB1587/SB2714 involving Reentry
- HB1101/SB1694 involving misdemeanor drug court

Representative Adams has held steady and kept funding in the House for treatment. Last week, Senator Peaden restored cuts. So, we are in pretty good shape on funding.

We will continue to monitor SB 782 and HB 445 which limit pre-trial release. The support behind the bill is the bondsmen, who view pretrial release as negatively impacting their revenue and want to restrict the application of pretrial release to only those who are indigent and meet other limited criteria. The House Bill has successfully passed two committees in the House. Its last stop is the Criminal and Civil Justice Policy Council. The Senate bill was up in its first committee referral on Friday, March 26th, but no vote was taken.

The good news is that due to the efforts of a lot of people, especially Representative Adams and Senator Crist, the bills now exempt Drug Courts, Mental Health Courts, and Prison Diversion Program participants from its reach. This was resolved by agreement with the proponents of the bill after a number of meetings with their lobbyist, Senator Crist, Representative Adams, and their committee staff. The House Bill was also amended to delete the indigency requirement, but there is no guarantee that the amendment will hold up in the next hearing. The Counties and many others are still opposed to the bill. Our thanks to Senator Crist, Representative Adams, and their staff for greatly helping us accomplish this.

On Monday, March 22, 2010, the House Public Safety and Domestic Security Policy Committee voted favorably on the reentry bill. Its next stop is the Civil and Criminal Justice Appropriations Committee in the Senate, which is chaired by Representative Adams. Its last stop is the Criminal and Civil Justice Policy Council, chaired by Representative Snyder. Representative Adams expressed concern over some wording in the legislation and a potential fiscal impact. I am working with staff to take care of her concerns. The problem in part resulted from changes in the language made in bill drafting. The version that went in was not the same as the version that came out. Presently, she is unwilling to calendar the bill, but we hope to have another version to Representative Adams this week in hopes that she will calendar the bill for the following week. We are indebted to Representative Bogdanoff for sponsoring the bill and to Representative Porth for keeping us in the ball game by getting it to bill drafting.

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The Senate companion bill is tentatively set for April 7, 2010 in Senator Dockery's Criminal Justice Committee. Our meetings with the Senate staff and chairs of the committees to which the bill was referred went well and they seem to like the concept. I am sure that with the changes to be made to alleviate concerns of Representative Adams, the bill will stand a better chance of prevailing in the Senate. Judge Beach and I asked Senator Crist to co-sponsor the legislation. He liked the concept, and agreed to speak with his staff about it. We are indebted to Senator Rich for keeping us in the ball game by putting the bill into drafting and filing it for us.

The misdemeanor drug court bill is through the House committees and ready for the floor. Senator Ring is working on getting the bill calendared before the Senate Judiciary Committee, chaired by Senator Negron. We are indebted to Representative Waldman and Senator Ring for sponsoring the legislation.

When I have confirmation on any of the bills being scheduled, I will let you know. As you know, we get very little notice. There are no committee meetings this week due to the holidays.

Remember, our message must remain a positive one – drug courts are part of the solution to the financial crisis in our State. Thank you for supporting them in the past and help us help you by supporting them in the future.

Remember, panic gets us nowhere, but coordinated strategic advocacy and vigilance will.



Florida Legislative Update

Due to continuing difficult economic times, budget reductions related to substance abuse and mental health services are being contemplated again this year. Bills being considered by the Florida Legislature that relate to drug courts include the following:

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Update on Florida's Post-Adjudicatory Drug Court Expansion Program

By Jennifer Grandal, Court Operations Consultant, Office of the State Courts Administrator

In 2009, the Florida Legislature appropriated \$19 million in Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) funding through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 to the State Courts System to expand drug courts to target offenders who would otherwise be incarcerated. Also during the 2009 legislative session, SB 1726 was enacted into law expanding the eligibility criteria for both adult pretrial diversion and post-adjudicatory drug court programs to target more offenders that are prison bound. The legislature then directed the Florida Supreme Court and the Florida Association of Drug Court Professionals (FADCP) to develop a plan for expansion. The plan was quickly developed through input from circuit court personnel and other key drug court stakeholders, submitted to the legislature in July 2009, and approved by the Legislative Budget Commission in September 2009. The Florida Supreme Court's Office of the State Courts Administrator (OSCA) is managing and administering the grant funds, which became effective October 1, 2009.

The goal of the expansion is to divert non-violent felony offenders in need of substance abuse treatment from prison into post-adjudicatory drug court in an effort to reduce prison admissions and associated costs. The expansion program targets nine counties with the highest number of prison admissions for non-violent felony offenders, including Broward, Duval, Escambia, Hillsborough, Marion, Orange, Pinellas, Polk, and Volusia Counties. The funding provides for case management, drug testing, and substance abuse treatment services for 4,000 targeted offenders over the two year-grant period. A portion of funds are also going to the Department of Corrections to support 13 additional probation officers to supervise the offenders being diverted from prison into drug court and on probation.

Sixteen case manager positions have been funded to provide case monitoring, tracking, coordination, service referral, and comprehensive client-level data collection and reporting. Client-level data is required in order to comply with federal grant reporting requirements and additional requirements set forth in section 397.334, Florida Statutes. The collection of client data will also allow the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA) to evaluate the effectiveness of the program as required by the legislature. Grant funds were also authorized to the OSCA to develop a statewide data management system to improve the collection of data, allowing for more complete and uniform data collection for all adult drug courts in Florida. It is anticipated that the statewide system could then be expanded to other types of drug courts such as juvenile and family dependency in the future.

Over the past few months, the OSCA has focused on developing and implementing a structure for managing this new grant program. Grant-in-aid agreements with each of the nine counties were developed and executed, circuit guidelines developed and distributed outlining all of the various requirements of the program, and operational manuals provided expansion program staff. A great deal of planning and work has also been done by each of the nine expansion program staff to get the expansion program operational. Each of the programs are currently up and running and as of early March, there were 59 offenders participating statewide with admissions expected to steadily increase over the coming months.

I would like to express my sincere thanks to all the circuit and county staff for their hard work and efforts to operationalize the drug court expansion programs in less than six months time. A tremendous amount of staff time and effort by the OSCA, drug court judges, managers, and county personnel have gone into the planning, development and implementation of this program. We are looking towards the future and the opportunity to show that drug courts are effective and can be a solution to reducing future prison admissions and costs while also restoring and saving lives and families.

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2009 Florida Drug Court Statewide Distance Learning Session - October 21, 2009 By Eve Janocko, FADCP Executive Director

The Florida Association of Drug Court Professionals (FADCP) and the Florida Office of the State Courts Administrator (OSCA) coordinated a statewide distance learning training on Wednesday, October 21st. The Eighteenth Judicial Circuit in Viera, Florida hosted the on-site training session. Our Florida drug court teams were fortunate to have Dr. Douglas B. Marlowe, chief of science; law and policy, with the National Association of Drug Court Professionals conduct the training program.

Two training sessions were offered. The morning session focused on “Targeting Dispositions for Drug Offenders by Risks and Needs” and the afternoon session covered “Best Practices in Drug Courts”. Almost 400 drug court team members throughout the state viewed Dr. Marlowe’s training sessions through the Supreme Court of Florida’s video conferencing network.

At the conclusion of the morning session, Judge Gisele Pollack, FADCP chair provided an update on Florida’s drug courts. Judge Pollack recognized long time FADCP Board member and treasurer, Jim Santangelo for his outstanding service to the FADCP Board.

With limited funds available for training and travel, the distance learning option was used to provide this critical statewide training to our Florida drug court teams. In addition to the support provided by the FADCP and OSCA, we would like to recognize and thank the following partners for assisting with the distance learning session: National Association of Drug Court Professionals, National Drug Court Institute, Eighteenth Judicial Circuit, Florida Department of Corrections, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, and the Bureau of Justice Assistance.

We would like to also like to thank again the 18th Circuit and Chief Judge Silvernail for hosting the distance learning session. Judge Jim Earp did a fantastic job emceeding the event. We can’t thank Lisa Mooty and Ray Green enough for all their coordination of the training on-site. You were invaluable to the success of the training. Training materials have been posted on the FADCP website at www.FADCP.org.

For more information regarding the distance learning training session, please contact Eve Janocko, FADCP executive director at 904-382-9285 or evejanocko@aol.com.

DUE TO THE CONTINUING ECONOMIC DOWNTURN, NO IN-PERSON CONFERENCE IS PLANNED FOR 2010

FADCP and OSCA Team Up Again for Distance Learning Session on October 27, 2010 By Aaron Gerson, OSCA Senior Court Analyst II

The 2010 Florida Drug Court Statewide Distance Learning Session will be conducted by Michael Nerney, a consultant in substance abuse prevention and education. For those who are unfamiliar with Michael Nerney, he is an internationally known dynamic lecturer and has served as a consultant to a number of federal and state agencies. At a minimum, he will be focusing on current drug trends, dual diagnoses, opiate and benzodiazepine use, and substance abuse linkages with high risk behavior. The session will be interactive which will enable drug court teams the opportunity to pose questions and receive answers to address the needs of their drug courts. Certification credits such as CJs, CLEs, and CEUs will be available. The session will be presented on Wednesday, October 27th from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm ET with an hour and a half lunch break. Michael Nerney’s presentation will be roughly 6.5 hours.

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Florida's Office of Drug Control Welcomes New Director

By Eve Janocko, FADCP Executive Director

On behalf of the Florida Association of Drug Court Professionals, we would like to congratulate Bruce D. Grant on his appointment by Governor Crist on October 23rd to serve as director of Florida's Office of Drug Control.

We are delighted that Director Grant has agreed to join the FADCP Board as an ex-officio member. We are immensely grateful for the support FADCP receives from the Governor's Office of Drug Control. We look forward to working with Director Grant on drug court policy and substance abuse issues. Director Grant has a long tenure supporting substance abuse treatment and drug courts which provides a strong vision to guide Florida's drug control policy and strategy.

The following information from the Florida's Office of Drug Control website gives you a clear understanding of why Director Grant was chosen. He served as the Assistant Secretary for the Department of Corrections in charge of Community Corrections from 2007-2009. From 2001-2005, he served in the Governor's Office of Drug Control as the Chief of Counterdrug Law Enforcement and then as Chief of Staff. In December 2005, he resigned his position in the Governor's Office and volunteered to return to active duty to serve with the U.S. Army in Iraq. From 2005-2006, COL Grant served with the 101st Airborne Division as the Deputy Team Leader of the Provincial Reconstruction Team in Mosul, Iraq. His mission there was to rebuild the governmental, legal, and economic institutions of the province.

A 1974 graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point, he also holds a Master's degree in Public Administration from the University of Puget Sound. He served a 27 year career in the United States Army as an Infantry Officer before retiring in March 2001. During his active military service, he held several key positions including command at every level from platoon through battalion. He served in the 82nd Airborne Division, the 75th Ranger Regiment, the Southern European Task Force, and with NATO peacekeeping forces in Bosnia. The majority of his Army career has been command, operations, and planning and he has extensive experience in planning, organizing and conducting complex joint task force operations.

He has been an active volunteer in the Tallahassee community where he served as a Scout leader and the vice president of the West Point Society of Tallahassee. Bruce coached youth baseball for five years and in 2004 - 2005 served as the president of the Tallahassee Babe Ruth League. He is a member of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He is married and has four children.



Attachment Disorder, Bonding and Community

Michael E. Hayes, PhD, LCSW, Clinical Supervisor, 16th Judicial Circuit Drug Court

A year ago or so, I was asked to give a talk on Radical Attachment Disorder (RAD) and its potential role in families with substance abuse issues. In the process of researching the topic I became sidetracked and found that instead of RAD, its etiology and treatment being the primary focus, I became very interested in concept of community and how conditions such as RAD affect the developmental process of bonding and, eventually, membership in groups and communities. I started to view RAD as one of the mechanisms that could hinder the bonding process and have the potential to affect the developmental process across the life span.

As I read the literature there appeared to be a positive connection between successful bonding experiences, community membership and the probability of future drug use, criminal activity and/or mental illness. I am in no way suggesting that this is a causal relationship, but it seemed that these three factors were related in some manner. The nature of this relationship became the focus of my talk.

The concept of community starts with the idea that the group is greater than the sum of its individual members, and through membership, a person can achieve objectives that might not be achievable as an individual. For example, the role of community in recovery is an integral part of AA and in the *Big Book*, the authors comment that very few people, if any, can obtain sobriety and remain sober on their own.

When people return to their sober community after a relapse, their description of the conditions surrounding the relapse include such behaviors as having stopped going to meetings, not calling their sponsor or they choosing the wrong peer group. In essence, they are telling their peers that they disconnected from their recovery community. All relapses appear to start with such a disconnect. In AA there is a saying that reflects this: “an addict by himself is in bad company”. That is, an addict without a community is at risk.

Bonding, or attachment, is the opposite process; it is a connection. It enables a relationship between people; initially, between infant and caregiver. The intensity of the bond may be heightened by the infant’s dependency on the caregiver for its physical survival, but there is much more to this relationship than solely the meeting of material needs.

The importance of social, non-material needs in the developmental process of infants and children is documented in developmental literature. Stage theories, social learning theories and ethological theories of development, all, emphasize the importance of the social input in “normal” development.

Successful bonding, and/or attachment, has significance for future successful bio-psycho-social development. Conversely, failure to bond can create serious problems throughout life-span development.

Reactive Attachment Disorder, or RAD, is an example of how specific social circumstances can affect bonding and the developmental sequence. Children with Reactive Attachment Disorder typically were physically or emotionally neglected or abused in infancy; physical needs may have been met, but social-emotional needs were not.

As a consequence, these children seldom form strong lasting relationships.

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Research suggests that RAD is a rare occurrence and that most children find a way to overcome the circumstances of infancy and early childhood trauma. The failure to overcome these early childhood consequences is reflected in the *Diagnostic Statistical Manual* (DSM) of the American Psychiatric Association.

The criteria for childhood behavioral disorders (such as *Conduct Disorder* or *Oppositional Defiance Disorder*) or the criteria for *personality disorders, affective disorders and psychotic disorders* for adults, share the common diagnostic characteristic of the inability to form meaningful relationships; to successfully bond with others.

A second point concerning an individual's inability to form meaningful social relationships or to be a member of a community, relates to moral or ethical behavior. Is bonding or community membership a prerequisite for such behavior? To behave ethically or morally seems to necessitate a reference point to evaluate the specific behavior. Without such a point of reference, choices are determined by self-centered decisions and awareness of other people is lost.

The willingness to accept group and/or community membership and therefore abide by norms and expectations of others may be, in part, a consequence of infancy and early childhood bonding experiences. It may also be a predictor of treatment success in recovery and normal development for children. A question which remains is, what accounts for the difference between those who can overcome developmental obstacles and those who cannot?



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Affordable Drug Screening Kits

The Department of Management Services (DMS) has negotiated a statewide contract for drug screening devices that are very affordable. The Department of Corrections has advised that RESPECT will honor the Department's cost for these products for all of our partners (which include drug courts). I understand that you can contact them to establish an account with them and get ordering instructions. They offer the same products we were using on the State Department of Management Services contract that recently expired. This is a new provider for us, so please let me know if you have any problems with the products or service.

On-Site Dip Cards	
# Drug Tests per Panel	Cost per Panel
1	\$0.56*
2	\$1.10
3	\$1.65
4	\$2.05
5	\$2.25
6	\$2.55
7	\$3.33
8	\$4.00
10	\$4.70
12	\$5.95
Alcohol On Site Saliva Test	\$1.90
*THC and Barbs are \$.058	

We are pleased to announce that RESPECT of Florida is the new state contracted supplier of drug & alcohol screening supplies effective February 1, 2010.

The partnership between the Department of Management Services (DMS) and RESPECT of Florida has been in development for the past two years with many hours being spent working to provide a comprehensive catalog of quality products and services. Please take some time to review our online product offerings on the RESPECT website. All products are available for immediate delivery. If you need assistance please contact a customer service representative at (850) 942-0905 ext 110. During the development stage of this contract we have had the privilege to meet many of you however we would like to hear from everyone. Please email us and we will send you a catalog in order to effectively meet your buying needs and exceed your purchasing expectations. We look forward to working with you,

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We Can Program

By Georgina Rullo C.A.P., Operation PAR, Largo, FL

The Pinellas County Adult Drug Court Collaborative is a partnership between the Sixth Judicial Circuit Court and two substance abuse treatment providers (Operation PAR and WestCare), along with a university-based research institute. Pinellas County has identified a gap in treatment capacity for drug court cases involving female offenders that require more evidence-based practices and more structured referral services to adequately address the issues of these offenders.

The Sixth Judicial Circuit Court began adult drug court in 2001 with an average census of 200 offenders. The goal of Pinellas county Adult Drug Court is to provide the offenders with the resources and skills necessary to overcome addiction. However, the typical time from arrest to admission into treatment is approximately 24 weeks. Of this time spent, at least 24 days involves time waiting for a substance abuse screening and assessment. In 2006-2007 fiscal years, there were 1,057 offenders served with a success rate of 60% and 87% of offenders remained arrest free the first year after program completion.

The purpose of the Pinellas County Adult Drug Court Collaborative is to: 1) increase capacity to serve women in a gender-specific, culturally responsive model, 2) implement the GAIN, a standardized screening and assessment to accurately identify co-occurring disorders, trauma, 3) implement evidence-based treatment, MET/CBT 12 sessions, 4) screen for prescription drug issues, and 5) develop uniform drug court treatment and administrative protocols.

This program will assist female drug court offenders ages 18 years or older who have substance dependence requiring placement in outpatient treatment and who may have a mild to moderate mental health disorder. This program will serve 70 adult females annually and 210 over three years. Drug Court Program will provide outpatient substance abuse treatment using the evidence-based practice Motivational Enhancement Therapy/Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (MET/CBT 12). This treatment model is necessary to effectively respond to the increasing population of female offenders who are misusing and/or abusing prescription drugs.

In recent years, significant research, training and consensus building activities in Pinellas County have laid the groundwork for this collaborative. This project provides a framework for enhancing the current Pinellas County Adult Drug Court through a more structured approach utilizing the collaborative efforts of the partners in this initiative. This project will provide an integrated system of care and use evidence-based practices as a model program for the region in the provision of integrated services for female offenders involved in the drug court program.

We asked the clients to name their special grant and the new name of this program is the We Can Program.

Enrolled into program	97
Completed Tx	55
Currently active	37
Did not Complete	5
Incarcerated	1
Withdrew/Refused	1
Not Engaged/Transferred per Court	2
Deceased	1

MISDEMEANOR DRUG COURT PROGRAM 17TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT UPDATE

By Judge Gisele Pollack, County Court Judge, Broward County, 17th Judicial Circuit

A recent recidivism study of the Broward County Misdemeanor Drug Court graduates January, 2007 through January, 2009, showed that graduates were less likely than non-graduates to be rearrested. The rate of re-arrest for graduates was indeed decreased a little over 50%. This study covered a period of one to three years post graduation.

Offenders who completed the program demonstrated a recidivism rate of 15% compared to 32% for those who opted not to participate in the program. Most notably, the study concluded that the rate of re-arrest for new felonies was reduced by over 50%.

Judge Farnell Encourages Participants to Exercise



CLEARWATER - Judge Dee Anna Farnell's drug court uses exercising as an incentive. She has challenged clients in substance abuse treatment to compete in organized running events in the community. If clients bring in their numbers from the run (or walk) Judge Farnell may waive court costs or reduce probation. The numbers are hung on the wall of the courtroom. She also has a yoga challenge and a no smoking challenge with similar incentives. Judge Farnell refers to her program as Drug Court/Health Court.

“We in the United States, though only five percent of the world’s population, consume two-thirds of the world’s illegal drugs.”

“We in the United States, though only five percent of the world’s population, incarcerate 25 percent of the world’s prisoners.”

---Joseph A. Califano, Jr., Chairman and President, CASA

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Behind Bars II:

Substance Abuse and America’s Prison Population

<http://www.casacolumbia.org>

Motivational Interviewing

Submitted by Georgina Mpetas_Rullo

Motivational Interviewing (MI) was developed by Bill Miller and Stephen Rollnick in the early 1990s as a brief therapy. It is designed to work with ambivalence involved in behavior change MI has shown very good outcomes in many studies. MI style and spirit are practiced with a supportive, warm, non-judgmental, collaborative approach. The model is not difficult to administer, but it does require practice. For MI to be administered effectively counselors require training and ongoing clinical supervision. Many counselors have been trained in MI and have not received ongoing (if any) supervision. Unfortunately, when this happens and counselors are monitored, very few are practicing MI. Implementation with fidelity to the mode is an ongoing topic of discussion in the field. Many trainers, agencies and funders require that counselors who receive training in MI also receive the clinical supervision necessary to deliver consistent, high quality MI services.

Please see the outline for the curriculum-

- I. Motivational Interviewing (MI) Overview
 - A. Trans-theoretical model
 - B. History
 - C. Addresses all behavioral change

- II. Stages of Change Model
 - A. Trans-theoretical model
 - B. MI phases
 - C. CBT phases
 - D. Recurrence

- III. DEARS
 - A. Develop Discrepancy
 - B. Express Empathy
 - C. Avoid Argumentation
 - D. Roll with Resistance
 - E. Support Self-Efficacy

- IV. OARS
 - A. Open Ended Questions
 - B. Affirmations
 - C. Reflective Listening
 - D. Summaries

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Georgina Rullo Recognizes Recent Accomplishments of Billy D. Lee

According to *The Herald Sun* (Durham, NC) - The Executive Director of Freedom House Recovery Center has been awarded 900,000 from SAMSHA for Drug Court and Mental Health Treatment. Billy D. Lee has been appointed as the project director. Billy worked in the 13th Judicial Circuit Drug Court (Hillsborough County) and then we had the pleasure to have him in the 6th Judicial Circuit (Pinellas County) as the Drug Court Manager. Mr. Lee brings a wealth of drug treatment and mental health knowledge to this project. I am so pleased to see that this grant encompasses 3 Drug Courts and 4 County's. Best Wishes and I am so pleased to see a local colleague grow our movement.

http://www.heraldsun.com/pages/full_story/push?article-Grant+will+expand+courts%20&id=3848777-Grant+will+expand+courts

Vandilla McClendon Recommends the October 31st Article from the Miami Herald

Court program for mentally ill allow treatment

A pilot Miami-Dade court program for mentally ill people allows prosecutors to drop felony charges if defendants finish one year of treatment.

<http://www.miamiherald.com/2009/10/31/1310566/court-program-for-mentally-ill.html>

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FADCP members and friends of drug courts everywhere are encouraged to contribute to this newsletter. Please send your contributions to anyone on the newsletter staff.

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<input type="checkbox"/> \$25 Renewal <input type="checkbox"/> \$25 New <input type="checkbox"/> \$500 Bronze <input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000 Silver <input type="checkbox"/> \$2,500 Gold		
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Email (required for newsletter and updates):		
As a member of FADCP, I would like to assist with: <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Testing Research <input type="checkbox"/> Memberships <input type="checkbox"/> Legislative Issues <input type="checkbox"/> Training <input type="checkbox"/> Bylaws <input type="checkbox"/> Funding <input type="checkbox"/> Other:		
Which category best describes your involvement in Drug Court? <input type="checkbox"/> Judicial Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Defense <input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement <input type="checkbox"/> Coordinator <input type="checkbox"/> Treatment <input type="checkbox"/> Probation <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Educator <input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Planner <input type="checkbox"/> Prosecution <input type="checkbox"/> Evaluator <input type="checkbox"/> Elected Official <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="checkbox"/> Child Welfare <input type="checkbox"/> Team	Type of Drug Court (check all that apply): <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Pretrial <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Post Adjudication <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Pretrial <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Dependency <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Post Adjudication <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	

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