

# 2019 Annual Conference Call for Presentations

#### **CONFERENCE TITLE**

"Bridging the Gap: Improving Outcomes for all Youth"

# **DATES**

Hill Day – June 19, 2019 Conference Dates – June 20-21, 2019 Council of State Advisory Groups - June 22, 2019

#### **LOCATION**

Hyatt Regency Washington on Capitol Hill 400 New Jersey Ave. NW Washington, DC 20001

## **DESCRIPTION**

Each year, the Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ) hosts a national conference uniquely focused on improving juvenile justice and delinquency prevention systems, services, practices and policies. More than 350 juvenile justice practitioners and advocates from across the U.S. and its territories are expected to attend.

For more information about CJJ, please visit <a href="http://juvjustice.org/">http://juvjustice.org/</a>

The full conference will take place on June 20-22. This year, the conference will focus on the latest research, developments, and challenges facing our field today. Specifically:

- How can states and communities serve as leaders in shaping a better juvenile justice system for our most vulnerable youth?
- How can we improve collaborations with young people with lived experiences in the systems we work with?
- What can be done to leverage partnerships to help improve physical and mental health services, and better address youths' needs for education and housing?
- What role does advocacy play as communities seek to improve services and provide for trauma-informed care for children and youth?

If you have any questions, please contact Laura Armstrong, CJJ's Policy & Field Relations Associate, at armstrong@juvjustice.org

# **CALL FOR PROPOSALS**

CJJ invites proposals for concurrent workshop sessions to be held on Thursday, June 20 and Friday, June 21, 2019. The Conference Planning Committee will select a maximum of twelve (12) presentations in total.

# **WORKSHOP CONTENT**

Interactive presentations should be designed to last 60 minutes.



We are particularly interested in proposals that focus on one or more the following topics:

Adolescent Brain Science	Diversion
Girls	LGBTQ+ Youth
Restorative Justice	Conditions of Confinement
Physical Health	Trauma
Probation	System Responses to Youth with Special Needs
Community Engagement	Implicit Bias
Mental Health	Status Offenses
School-to-Prison Pipeline (School Engagement)	Dual Status/Crossover Youth
Family and Youth Partnerships/Engagement	Aftercare/Reentry
Prevention	Positive Youth Development
Leadership Development	Disproportionate Minority Contact (Racial and Ethnic Disparities)
Special Populations (e.g., trafficked youth)	Youth homelessness and the justice system
Tribal Youth	Non-native/Non-fluent English Speakers
Self-Care and Resilience	Extreme Sentences
State Advisory Group Training and Capacity Building	Police and youth relations
Partnerships and Collaborative Efforts	



# Workshops will be slotted into one of four tracks:

**Skills, Tools or Training**—workshops in this track will focus on providing information that has practical application to the work of one or more constituents of juvenile justice stakeholders and/or provides participants with new tools or skills. For example, a successful workshop proposal might train State Advisory Group members and allies on how to identify and avoid implicit bias in their work.

**Promising Practices**—workshops in this track will focus on providing participants with information on new and emerging information being gleaned from promising practices and home-grown programs that may not yet be peer-reviewed and evaluated. For example, a successful workshop proposal might share lessons that practitioners are beginning to learn about how to effectively ensure young people exit the justice system to safe, stable, and secure housing.

**Policy and Advocacy**—workshops in this track will focus on providing participants with information or tools that they need to further key juvenile justice change efforts, or how to induce policymakers and others to implement change in juvenile justice practice or systems. For example, a successful workshop proposal might provide an overview of policies that provide alternatives to school-based referrals to juvenile court.

**Bridging Research, Practice, & Policy**—workshops in this track will focus on providing participants with the latest research and its implications for policy and/or practice. This could include information on research-practice partnerships, risk assessment and predictive analytic tools, and original findings from peer-reviewed longitudinal studies, meta-analyses, program evaluations, and other relevant studies. For example a successful proposal might discuss the findings and implications of a study that examined the perceptions fairness by young people in the system.

Successful workshop proposals will include no fewer than three of the following elements:

- Overview of the issue and its current status
- Learning principles
- Current and future practice implications
- Current and future policy implications or opportunities for advocacy
- Explanation of the role of key juvenile justice stakeholders or call to action
- Skills or tools to take away from the session

# **GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION**

Workshop proposals will be submitted online.

Please be sure to have the following information ready at the time of submission:

- Suggested workshop title
- 50-75 word abstract
- 500–1,000 word expanded description, which includes:
- o Three learning objectives
- o Evaluation results and/or data to support assertions made
- o Unique features or impacts



o Description of how the workshop incorporates three of the workshop elements described above

- List of all presenters:
- o Note who will serve as the Lead Contact for CJJ correspondence and who will serve as the session moderator.
- o There is a limit of 3 presenters, inclusive of the Lead Contact and Moderator. CJJ will assign a moderator if you do not have someone to fill that role (in that case, please limit your proposal to two presenters).

The following information is required for each proposed presenter:

- Name
- Title
- Organization
- Mailing address
- Email
- Biographical summary for each presenter (200 words max)

# **SELECTION CRITERIA**

Presentations will be selected based on:

- Overall relevance to conference theme/tracks
- Added value to the conference as a whole, so that a variety of topics/viewpoints/approaches are represented
- Whether the presentation topic has the potential to be replicated through other state and/or local efforts
- The degree to which the presentation promotes audience interaction
- Whether the presentation bring new/fresh content to the CJJ audience Coalition for Juvenile Justice, Conference Call for Presentations 2019

**NOTE:** In an attempt to encourage collaborative learning experiences, strong preference will be given to sessions that do not involve PowerPoint or video.

## SUBMISSION DEADLINE

To submit, please visit: <a href="https://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/4730412/2019-CJJ-Annual-Conference-Presentations-Form">https://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/4730412/2019-CJJ-Annual-Conference-Presentations-Form</a>. Proposals must be received by Friday, Jan. 18, 2019 at 12 pm Eastern.

**NOTICE OF SELECTION** The Lead Contact will be notified of the Workshop Review Committee's final decision the week of Feb. 16, 2019 via email and/or telephone.

**SUPPORT FOR PRESENTERS/REIMBURSEMENTS** CJJ will waive the conference registration for a maximum of two (2) presenters per workshop. CJJ regrets that we cannot provide travel support, hotel accommodations, or honoraria. Travel and per diem costs must be borne by the presenter(s).



### **QUESTONS**

Contact Laura Armstrong, CJJ Policy and Field Relations Associate at <a href="mailto:armstrong@juvjustice.org">armstrong@juvjustice.org</a> or 202-467-0864, ext. 122.

# About the Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ)

CJJ envisions a nation where fewer children are at risk of delinquency; and if they are at risk or involved with the justice system, they and their families receive every possible opportunity to live safe, healthy and fulfilling lives.

CJJ is a nationwide coalition of State Advisory Groups (SAGs) and allies dedicated to preventing children and youth from becoming involved in the courts and upholding the highest standards of care when youth are charged with wrongdoing and enter the justice system.

CJJ members include concerned individuals, practitioners, advocates and youth who voluntarily serve at the state and national levels. CJJ is governed by an Executive Board of national and regional officers. All of CJJ's formal positions on policy and related matters are developed and approved by a super-majority of the CJJ Council of State Advisory Groups (SAGs). The Council comprises the Chairs or Chair-designees of SAGs holding membership in CJJ.

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