



**Justice Center for the
Protection of People
with Special Needs**

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Justice Center 2023 Summit Sessions

April 18, 19, 25 and 26

1. Updates from the Justice Center for the Protection of People with Special Needs:

Members of the Justice Center leadership team will provide updates and information on current initiatives, an overview of data and trends based upon reports to the Justice Center's Vulnerable Person's Central Register, upcoming training opportunities and Justice Center resources available to provider agencies. Those attending will have an opportunity to ask questions. This session is intended for provider agency representatives under the jurisdiction of the Justice Center as well as state agency staff and other interested stakeholders.

Session will be offered on April 18 from 10:30am – 12:00pm

2. Overview of Pre-Employment Checks for Service Providers:

This session will provide an overview of the Staff Exclusion List and Criminal Background Checks required to be completed by provider agencies under the Justice Center's jurisdiction. The session will include guidance on how to complete the checks as well as an explanation of criminal background checks. This session is intended for staff from provider agencies under the Justice Center's jurisdiction who request Justice Center background checks.

Session will be offered on April 18 from 2:30pm – 4:00pm

3. Technology Related Assistance for Individuals with Disabilities (TRAID):

This session will provide an overview of the TRAID program and how assistive technology can help individuals live independently in their communities. Those attending this session will learn about the services offered by the 12 Regional TRAID Centers as well as common devices that can be utilized including technology to support telehealth visits and the use of 3D printing to create affordable assistive technology. This session is intended for provider agencies, individuals with disabilities and their circles of support, and anyone interested in assistive technology.

Session will be offered April 19 from 10:30am – 12:00pm

4. Overview of the Surrogate Decision-Making Committee:

The Surrogate Decision-Making Committee (SDMC) is an alternative to the court system authorized to provide consent for non-emergency medical treatment and end of life care decisions for eligible people who are unable to provide informed consent and have no surrogate to act on their behalf. This session will provide an overview of the SDMC program, eligibility criteria, application process, SDMC hearings and best practices. Attendance meets the training requirement to become an SDMC volunteer panel member, if desired. This session is intended for provider and state agency staff who will be seeking consent



decisions on behalf of the people they support and for staff, family members, peer advocates or anyone interested in serving as a volunteer.

Session will be offered April 19 from 2:30pm – 4:00pm

5. Lifecycle of a Justice Center Case:

This session will provide an overview of what happens to reports made to the Justice Center's Vulnerable Person's Central Register. Those attending this session will learn about how reports are classified, possible outcomes, including outcomes for reports that are criminal in nature. This session is intended for provider agencies under the Justice Center's jurisdiction as well as staff from local law enforcement agencies.

Session will be offered April 25 from 10:30am – 12:00pm

6. Justice Center Spotlight on Prevention — Best Practices for Responding to Medical Emergencies:

This session will provide an overview of the Justice Center's Spotlight on Prevention: Best Practices for Responding to Medical Emergencies. Participants will learn about promising practices to prepare staff for handling medical crises in facilities, including recognizing crisis situations requiring immediate medical attention and how to best respond. Case studies will provide participants with the opportunity to review real-life scenarios based on Justice Center incidents and discuss opportunities for improvement based on the case study. Lastly, this session will also include a review of resources in the toolkit that can be used by providers for training purposes. This session is intended for staff from provider agencies, peer advocates and other stakeholders interested in preventing abuse and neglect.

Session will be offered April 25 from 2:30pm – 4:00pm

7. Overview of the Justice Center's Individual and Family Support Services:

This session is intended for individuals receiving services, peer advocates, family members, and provider agency staff. We will provide an overview of the available supports and resources the Justice Center provides to individuals receiving services and their family members. We will also cover the importance of self-care and provide you with a tool that you can utilize for your own self-care.

Session will be offered April 26 from 10:30am – 12:00pm

8. Investigating Injuries of Unknown Origin:

During this session, presenters will define injuries of unknown origin (IUO), identify five alternative hypotheses to consider when investigating such an injury, and identify the three strategic components included in every successful IUO investigation: a thorough profile of the injury, the victim's risk profile, and a complete timeline.

Session will be offered April 26 from 2:30pm – 4:00pm