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About Us

The mission of Children and Family Futures (CFF) is to improve the lives of children and families, particularly those affected by substance use disorders. CFF consults with government agencies and service providers to ensure that effective services are provided to families. CFF advises Federal, State, and local government and community-based agencies, conducts research on the best ways to prevent and address the problem, and provides comprehensive and innovative solutions to policy makers and practitioners.

Announcing New Online Training for Legal Professionals

Effective partnerships with substance abuse treatment and child welfare agencies can provide support to judges and attorneys and improve the outcomes for children and families. Information about the practices and procedures used by substance abuse and child welfare agencies can be found in Understanding **Substance Use Disorders, Treatment, and Family Recovery: A Guide for Legal Professionals**.

Developed by the National Center on Substance Abuse and Child Welfare and the American Bar Association Center on Children and the Law, this customized tutorial will help judges and attorneys gain an understanding of the work that child welfare and substance abuse treatment professionals perform and provide tips on how to engage and retain families in substance abuse treatment. It also highlights judicial and attorney roles and responsibilities and underscores the importance of partnership and collaboration among the three systems.

Registration is free. Register now at <http://www.ncsacw.samhsa.gov/tutorials>

The American Bar Association has applied for Continuing Legal Education (CLE) accreditation for the Guide for Legal Professionals. You could receive up to six CLE credits, depending on your State's credit structure and whether or not your State allows online or self-study curricula.

For more information on training and technical assistance provided by the National Center on Substance Abuse and Child Welfare, please contact Larisa Owen at lowen@cffutures.org or toll-free at 1 (866) 493-2758.

Upcoming Two-Part Webinar Series from NADEC and NCSACW

The National Alliance for Drug Endangered Children (NADEC) and the National Center on Substance Abuse and Child Welfare (NCSACW) is proud to announce their upcoming two-part webinar series for professionals working with families affected by substance abuse:

Part One: NCSACW and NADEC: An Overview

July 14, 2009

10am-12pm PST/11am-1pm MST/12pm-2pm CST/1pm-3pm EST

This session will highlight the resources available to agencies through the National Alliance for Drug Endangered Children and the National Center on Substance Abuse and Child Welfare, and how these resources have been used to improve to families affected by substance abuse.

Scheduled presenters:

- Lori Moriarty, Senior Vice President of Education and Outreach, NADEC
- Cathleen Otero, Deputy Director, NCSACW

This session is free, but registration is required.

To register for Part One, visit

<https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/972461705>

Part Two: Information Sharing & Collaboration Strategies

July 31, 2009

10am-12pm PST/11am-1pm MST/12pm-2pm CST/1pm-3pm EST

Hear a national perspective on proven strategies for information sharing and collaboration between child welfare, substance abuse treatment, courts and law enforcement.

Presenters to be announced.

This session is free, but registration is required. Registration information for Part Two to follow.

For more information, please contact Susannah Carroll, NADEC, at scarroll@nationaldec.org and via phone at (303) 413-3063. Or, contact Marta Davis, NCSACW, at mdavis@cffutures.org or toll-free at 1 (866) 493-2758.

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