

2022 National CASA/GAL Conference Workshop Agenda



CURRENT AS OF MAY 31, 2022

The innovative and informative programming offered at the Annual Conference will help CASA/GAL local program and state organization staff, board members and volunteers enhance their knowledge, deepen their understanding of issues, and discuss promising practices that will advance our collective work. You will have the opportunity to hear directly from inspiring and knowledgeable workshop presenters who will provide exceptional learning opportunities on critical topics including advocacy skills and child welfare, leadership, diversity and equity, fundraising and more.

The workshop theme for Sunday, June 5th is the importance of families; Monday you can expect to experience workshops focused on the theme of resilience. Woven throughout the conference are workshops focused on diversity, equity and inclusion, as well as professional development opportunities.

Workshops on Sunday include:

Topic	Presenter(s)
Workshop Block A - Sunday June 5, 2022 - 10:00- 11:30 AM	
Building Stronger Communities with Dignity, Empathy and Creativity	Gina Hall (Executive Director; Uplift Northwest)
A View from the Bench: What Judges Want You to Know	Members of the National CASA/GAL Association for Children Judicial Leadership Council
Practice and Policy Implications of a Family Perspective on Parental Incarceration	Dr. Joyce Arditti (Professor Emeritus, Virginia Tech)
Providing Certainty in an Uncertain World!	David McIntosh (Communications Officer, Schools, Education & Youth Engagement; Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation)
Supporting Healthy Racial and Ethnic Development for Youth of Color in the Child Welfare System	Dr. JaeRan Kim (Associate Professor; University of Washington Tacoma)

Family Voices United + Collective Constituent Engagement Panel	FosterClub and Children's Trust Fund Alliance
Workshop Block B - Sunday June 5, 2022 - 3:45 - 5:00 PM	
Supporting Kinship Families Through Resources and Long-term Supports	Angelique Day (Associate Professor; University of Washington School of Social Work)
Connect Our Kids: Family Search and Engagement Techniques and Tools	Jessica Stern and Jelani Freeman (Connect Our Kids)
Building Better Childhoods: Communications Tools to Reframe Childhood Adversity through Upstream Approaches	Amy Templeman (Director of Within Our Reach; Social Current)
Tips and Tricks for Making Your Fundraising Events Successful	Melynda Jamison (Executive Director; CASA of Lexington)
Prospecting for Change: A CASA Change Agents' Toolbox	Dr. Marilyn Stocker (Professor; Loyola University)
Promising Practices: Meeting the Unmet Need: Building Blocks to Program Expansion	Kathleen LaValle (Executive Director; Dallas CASA)
National CASA/GAL Strategic Framework	National CASA/GAL Association for Children Staff
Family First: Implementation Updates, Emerging Considerations and Opportunities for Advocacy	Yasmin Grewal-Kok (Chapin Hall)

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Workshop Block C - Monday June 6, 2022 – 10:00- 11:15 AM	
“Mi hijo, Mi hija” -- Reflections and practices in engaging Latinx families in culturally responsive ways	Dr. Gino Aisenberg
Lived Experience of Older Youth Panel: Making and Maintaining Connections and Networks of Support	Paula Carvalho (Program Officer, Youth Homelessness; Raikes Foundation), plus National CASA/GAL Akerman Scholarship Recipients

Building Better Childhoods: Communications Tools to Reframe Childhood Adversity through Upstream Approaches	Amy Templeman (Director of Within Our Reach; Social Current)
Building a Supportive and Accepting Environment for LGBTQ+ Youth in Care	Amy M. Salazar, LMSW, Ph.D. (Assistant Professor, Department of Human Development; Washington State University Vancouver)
Attachment and Childhood Trauma in Developmental Context: Implications for CASA/GAL Volunteers	Amy M. Claridge, Ph.D., LMFT (Associate Professor; Central Washington State)
Your Chart of Accounts: A Foundation for Success	Christian Spearow (VP of Sales, Jitasa)
Strategies for Avoiding Burn Out: Keeping Your Mojo Alive	Dr. Marilyn Stocker (Professor, Loyola University)
National CASA/GAL Strategic Framework	National CASA/GAL Association for Children Staff
Workshop Block D - Monday June 6, 2022 – 2:15- 3:30 PM	
Supporting Youth in Foster Care in Pursuing Postsecondary Educational Pathways	Amy M. Salazar, LMSW, Ph.D. (Assistant Professor, Department of Human Development; Washington State University Vancouver)
Best practices for Engaging Youth Voice in Permanency Planning: A Review of Core Training Concepts for the Child Welfare Workforce & Courts	Angelique Day (Associate Professor; University of Washington School of Social Work)
Connect Our Kids: Finding Families, Creating Connections & Building Community	Jessica Stern, Jelani Freeman and Karen Coates
Family Voices United + Collective Constituent Engagement Panel	FosterClub and Children's Trust Fund Alliance
A View from the Bench: Working with Crossover Youth	Members of the National CASA/GAL Association for Children Judicial Leadership Council
Risk and Resilience in the Lives of Families Impacted by Parental Incarceration	Dr. Joyce Arditti (Professor Emeritus, Virginia Tech)
Unbelievably Resilient: Moving from Trauma to Triumph	Keri Richmond and Slam Anderson (Unbelievably Resilient)
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