

**National Organizations  
Concerned with  
Mental Health and Juvenile Justice**

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# Federal Agencies

## **Center for Mental Health Services**

<http://www.samhsa.gov/centers/cmhs/cmhs.html>

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The Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS) of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA), leads Federal efforts to treat mental illnesses by promoting mental health. CMHS has established the Children's Mental Health Education Campaign to increase awareness about the emotional problems of America's children and adolescents and gain support for needed services.

## **Center for Substance Abuse Prevention**

<http://www.samhsa.gov/centers/csap/csap.html>

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Rockville, MD 20857  
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The Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA), provides development of policies, programs, and services that focus on prevention of illegal drug use, underage alcohol and tobacco use and to reduce the negative consequences of using substances.

## **Center for Substance Abuse Treatment**

<http://www.samhsa.gov/centers/csat/csat.html>

Office of Communication and External  
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Rockville, MD 20857  
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The Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) was created in order to expand the availability of effective treatment and recovery services for alcohol and drug problems. CSAT aims to improve the lives of individuals and families affected by alcohol and drug abuse by ensuring access to clinically sound, cost effective addiction treatment while reducing the health and social cost to our communities.

## **National Institute of Corrections**

<http://www.nicic.org/>

320 First Street, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20534  
P: 800-995-6423

Morris L. Thigpen, Sr.  
Director

The National Institute of Corrections (NIC) is an agency within the Department of Justice. NIC provides training, technical assistance, information services, and policy/program development assistance to Federal, State, and local correctional agencies.

## **The National Institute on Drug Abuse**

<http://www.nida.nih.gov>

National Institutes of Health  
6001 Executive Boulevard  
Room 5213  
Bethesda, MD 20892-9561  
P: 301-443-1124

Dr. Nora D. Volkow  
Director

The National institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) is a division of the National Institutes of Health. The goal of NIDA is to use science to understand drug abuse and addiction. There are two components that work to progress this goal. First, the strategic support and conduct of research across a broad range of disciplines. The second is to significantly improve drug abuse and addiction prevention, treatment and policy.

## **National Institute of Mental Health**

<http://www.nimh.nih.gov/>

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Bethesda, MD 20892-9663  
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Director

Through research the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) hopes to better understand, treat and prevent mental illness. Basic neuroscience, behavioral science and genetics are studied in order to gain an understanding of the fundamental mechanisms underlying thought, emotion and behavior. With these findings the National Institute of Mental Health studies what goes wrong in the brain in mental illness.

## **Office of Justice Programs**

<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/>

US Department of Justice  
Office of Justice Programs  
810 7<sup>th</sup> Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20531  
P: 202-307-0790

Regina B. Schofield  
Assistant Attorney General

The Office of Justice Programs (OJP) was created in 1984 in order to provide federal leadership in developing the nation's capacity to prevent and control crime, improve the criminal and juvenile justice systems, increase knowledge about crime and related issues and assist crime victims.

## **Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention**

<http://www.ojjdp.ncjrs.org/>

810 Seventh Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20531  
P: 202-307-5911

J. Robert Flores  
Administrator

The goal of the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) is to provide national leadership, coordination, and resources to prevent and respond to juvenile delinquency and victimization. In order to accomplish this goal OJJDP supports state and local communities in their efforts to develop and implement effective prevention and intervention programs. OJJDP also strives to improve the juvenile justice system so that it protects the safety of the public and holds offenders accountable.

## **Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration**

<http://www.samhsa.gov>

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Washington, DC 20531  
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Office of Applied Studies

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) is the Federal agency that is responsible for improving the quality and availability of prevention, treatment, and rehabilitative services in order to reduce illness, death, disability, and cost to society resulting from both substance abuse and mental health problems.

# Professional Associations

## General

### **American Correctional Association**

<http://www.aca.org>

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The American Correctional Association (ACA) serves as the umbrella organization for all areas of corrections. The ACA is made up of 78 chapters including federal, state and military correctional facilities and prisons, county jails and detention centers. Along with providing expertise, the American Correctional Association has created its own standards.

### **American Jail Association**

<http://www.corrections.com/aja/>

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The American Jail Association (AJA) creates the bi-monthly magazine American Jails. This magazine provides information on jail issues in the United States and foreign countries. The AJA has also published a national jail directory, Who's Who in Jail Management, and a product and service resource directory.

## **American Probation & Parole Association**

<http://www.appa-net.org>

2760 Research Park Drive  
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Lexington, KY 40578-1910  
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The American Probation and Parole Association (APPA) is an international association composed of individuals from the United States and Canada. The APPA is involved with probation, parole and community-based corrections, in both adult and juvenile sectors. APPA's mission includes developing standards and models for improved service delivery.

## **American Psychiatric Association**

<http://www.psych.org>

1000 Wilson Blvd  
Suite 1825  
Arlington, VA 22209-3901  
P: 703-907-7300

Dr. Stephan Sharfstein, MD  
President

The American Psychiatric Association is a medical society that specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of mental and emotional illness and substance use disorders.

## **American Psychological Association**

<http://www.apa.org>

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Washington, DC 20002-4242  
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Norma N. Anderson  
CEO/Executive Vice President

The American Psychological Association (APA) encourages the generation and application of psychological knowledge on issues important to human well being. The APA works towards utilization and dissemination of psychological knowledge to advance equal opportunity while attempting to increase scientific understanding and training in regard to those aspects that pertain to culture, class, race, gender, sexual orientation, and age.

## **American Public Health Association**

<http://www.apha.org>

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Washington, DC 20001-3710  
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Executive Director

The American Public Health Association (APHA) is the nation's oldest organization of public health professionals. APHA is concerned with issues affecting personal and environmental health, including federal and state funding for health programs and professional education in public health.

## **American Public Human Services Association**

<http://www.aphsa.org>

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Suite 500  
Washington, DC 20002  
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F: 202-289-6555

Jerry W. Friedman  
Executive Director

The American Public Human Services Association (APHSA) is a nonprofit bipartisan organization of individuals and agencies concerned with human services. APHSA educates members of Congress, the media, and the broader public on what is happening in the states around welfare, child welfare, health care reform, and other issues involving families and the elderly. The association's mission is to develop, promote, and implement public human service policies that improve the health and well-being of families, children, and adults.

## **Council of State Governments**

<http://www.csg.org>

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P.O. Box 11910  
P: 859-244-8000

Daniel M. Sprague  
Executive Director

The Council of State Governments (CSG) serves the executive, judicial and legislative branches of state governments by providing a network for identifying and sharing ideas with state leaders. CSG works to advocate multi-state problem solving and promotes the sovereignty of the states and their role in the American federal system.

## **Judge David L. Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law**

<http://www.bazelon.org>

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Washington, DC 20005-5002  
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The Bazelon Center is a non-profit legal advocacy organization. The Bazelon Center attorneys provide technical support for and co-counsel selected lawsuits with private lawyers, legal services programs, ACLU chapters and state protection and advocacy systems. The Bazelon Center collaborates with local, regional and national advocacy and consumer organizations to reform public systems and promote consumer participation in the design and operation of service programs.

## **Learning Disabilities Association of America**

<http://www.ldanatl.org>

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Pittsburgh, PA 15234-1349  
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The Learning Disabilities Association of America is a nonprofit organization with the purpose to advance the education and general welfare of children and adults of normal or potentially normal intelligence who have disabilities of a perceptual, conceptual or coordinative nature.

## **National Alliance for the Mentally Ill**

<http://www.nami.org/i.org>

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Suite 300  
Arlington, VA 22201  
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The National Alliance for Mentally Ill (NAMI) is a non-profit support and advocacy organization for people with severe mental illnesses, such as schizophrenia, major depression, bipolar disorder, obsessive-compulsive disorder and anxiety disorders. NAMI provides education about severe brain disorders, supports funding for research and advocates for adequate health insurance, housing, rehabilitation and jobs for people with serious psychiatric illnesses on the national, state and local levels.

## **National Association of Counties**

<http://www.naco.org/>

440 First Street, NW  
8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20001  
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The National Association of Counties (NACO) is the only national organization that represents county governments in the United States. NACO provides services including legislative, research and technical and public affairs assistance to its members. NACO works to improve public understanding of counties, serves as a national advocate for counties and provides them with resources to help find innovative methods to meet challenges.

## **National Association of Drug Court Professionals**

<http://www.nadcp.org>

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Alexandria, VA 22311  
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The National Association of Drug Court Professionals (NADCP) seeks to reduce substance abuse, crime and recidivism by promoting and advocating for the establishment and funding of Drug Courts and providing for collection and dissemination of information, technical assistance and mutual support to association members.

## **National Association of Social Workers**

<http://www.naswdc.org>

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Suite 700  
Washington, DC 20002-4241  
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The National Association of Social Workers (NASW) works to promote the social work profession by advancing social work practice and shaping public policy through advocacy and consumer protection. NASW lobbies for legislation to improve health, welfare and other human services programs. NASW has established practice standards in order to enforce ethics and promote a high quality of social work services.

## **National Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Directors**

<http://www.nasadad.org>

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Suite 410  
Washington, DC 20006  
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F: 202-293-1250

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Executive Director

The National Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Directors (NASADAD) fosters and supports the development of effective alcohol and drug abuse prevention and treatment programs throughout every state. NASADAD provides training within the field of substance abuse prevention and treatment, establishes national standards for quality assurance and performance and shapes public policy positions.

## **National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors**

<http://www.nasmhpd.org>

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Alexandria, VA 22314  
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Executive Director

The National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors (NASMHPD) advocates for the collective interest of state mental health authorities and their directors. NASMHPD analyzes trends in the delivery and financing of mental health services and builds knowledge and experience reflecting the integration of public mental health programming in evolving healthcare environments. The Association identifies best practices in the delivery of mental health services, provides consultation and technical assistance and promotes effective management practices.

## **National Black Child Development Institute**

<http://www.nbcdi.org>

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Washington, DC 20005  
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President

The National Black Child Development Institute works to improve child care, child welfare, education, and health services delivered to black children and youth. The organization provides direct services and public education aimed at local and national polices.

## **National Center for State Courts**

<http://www.ncsconline.org>

300 Newport Avenue  
Williamsburg, VA 23185-4147  
P: 888-450-0391  
F: 757-220-0449

Mary Campbell McQueen  
President and Chief Executive Officer

The National Center for State Courts (NCSC) is an independent, nonprofit organization dedicated to the improvement of justice. Its mission is to provide leadership and assistance to the state courts.

## **National Commission on Correctional Health Care**

<http://www.ncchc.org>

1145 W. Diversey Parkway  
Chicago, IL 60614  
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F: 773-880-2424

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President

The National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC) works to improve the quality of health care provided in jails, prisons, and juvenile confinement facilities. NCCHC develops and maintains the nationally recognized standards for correctional health care.

## **National Conference of State Legislatures**

<http://www.ncsl.org>

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Washington, DC 20001  
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Executive Director

The National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) provides state lawmakers and legislative staff with comprehensive information and research tools.

## **National Council on Crime and Delinquency**

<http://www.nccd-crc.org>

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Oakland, CA 94612  
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The National Council on Crime and Delinquency (NCCD) emphasizes on juvenile correction, alternatives to detention for youth and prison for adults, risk- focused prevention, and a risk- focused continuum of graduated sanctions for juvenile offenders.

## **National Governors Association**

<http://www.nga.org>

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Washington, DC 20001-1512  
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Executive Director

The National Governors Association (NGA) is the collective voice of the nation's governors. NGA provides governors and their senior staff members with services that range from representing states on Capitol Hill and before the Administration on key federal issues to developing policy reports on innovative state programs and hosting networking seminars for state government executive branch officials. The NGA Center for Best Practices focuses on state innovations and best practices on issues that range from education and health to technology, welfare reform, and the environment.

## **National Mental Health Association**

<http://www.nmha.org>

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Alexandria, VA 22311  
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Through advocacy, education, research and service the National Mental Health Association (NMHA) attempts to address all aspects of mental health and mental illness in America. The goal of NMHA is to provide a fulfilling, productive life for those who suffer from mental illness.

## **National Sheriff's Association**

<http://www.sheriffs.org>

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Alexandria, VA 22314-3490  
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F: 703-836-6541

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The National Sheriff's Association (NSA) works to raise the level of professionalism among those in the criminal justice field through training and information. A key goal of NSA is to create interagency relationships between local, state and federal criminal justice agencies.

## **National Urban League**

<http://www.nul.org>

120 Wall Street  
New York, NY 10005  
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F: 212-344-5332

Morc Morial  
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The National Urban League is a nonprofit community based movement based in New York City with over 100 affiliates nationwide. Its mission is to enable African Americans to secure self-reliance, parity and power.

# Professional Associations

## Youth Specific

### **American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry**

<http://www.aacap.org>

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The American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (AACAP) is a membership-based organization that is composed of over 6,500 child and adolescent psychiatrists and other interested physicians. The members of AACAP research, evaluate, diagnose and treat psychiatric disorders while giving direction and addressing new developments in the health care needs of children and families. The information that AACAP publishes has a goal of promoting an understanding of mental illnesses and removing the stigma associated with mental illness. Publications are geared towards assuring proper treatment and access to services for children and adolescents.

### **Center for the Advancement of Children's Mental Health**

<http://kidsmentalhealth.org/about.html>

New York State Psychiatric Institute  
Columbia University  
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New York, NY 10032  
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Center Director

In addition to knowledge identification, consensus and dissemination, the Center for the Advancement of Children's Mental Health provides assistance, in terms of technical and logistical support, to organizations and institutions committed to implementing scientifically based mental health practices. This support may include consultation or on-site training. The Center utilizes scientific reviews, workshops, conferences, researchers, parents, family members, policymakers and practitioners work together to identify what is known about pediatric mental disorders.

## **Center for Mental Health in Schools at UCLA**

<http://smhp.psych.ucla.edu/>

School Mental Health Project at UCLA  
Department of Psychology  
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Los Angeles, CA 90095-1563  
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In addition to knowledge identification, consensus and dissemination, the Center for the Advancement of Children's Mental Health provides assistance, in terms of technical and logistical support, to organizations and institutions committed to implementing scientifically based mental health practices. This support may include consultation or on-site training. The Center utilizes scientific reviews, workshops, conferences. Researchers, parents, family members, policymakers and practitioners work together to identify what is known about pediatric mental disorders.

## **Center on Juvenile and Criminal Justice**

<http://www.cjcj.org/>

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Suite C1009  
Washington, DC 20005  
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F: 202-737-7271

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Executive Director

The Center on Juvenile and Criminal Justice (CJCJ) reduces society's reliance on the use of incarceration as a solution to social problems. CJCJ accomplishes this goal by utilizing a variety of programs for persons facing imprisonment, as well as education dealing with imprisonment and technical assistance. CJCJ has formed the Justice Policy Institute (JPI) in order to promote effective and sensible approaches to the American justice system.

## **Center for the Promotion of Mental Health in Juvenile Justice**

<http://www.promotementalhealth.org/>

Columbia University/NYSPI  
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Unit 78  
New York, NY 10032  
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F: 212-543-1000

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The mission of the Center for the Promotion of Mental Health in Juvenile Justice at Columbia University is to provide expert guidance to the field regarding best practices for psychiatric assessment of youth in juvenile justice settings. The Center is working to aid juvenile justice settings in determining how to incorporate scientifically sound mental health assessments into practice and how to map mental health services onto those assessments.

## **Child Welfare League of America**

<http://www.cwla.org/>

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Suite 310  
Washington, DC 20001-2085  
P: 202-638-2952  
F: 202-638-4004

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Executive Director

The Child Welfare League of America (CWLA) is an association of more than 1,100 public and non-profit agencies. These member agencies are involved with prevention and treatment of child abuse and neglect and they provide various services in addition to child protection, such as: family foster care, adoption, positive youth development programs, residential group care, child care, family-centered practice and programs for pregnant and parenting teenagers. The Child Welfare League of America establishes its own standards of excellence as goals for child welfare practice.

## **Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorder**

[www.chadd.org](http://www.chadd.org)

8181 Professional Place,  
Suite 150  
Landover, Maryland 20785  
P: 301-306-7070, ext. 111

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Chief Executive Officer

Children and Adults with Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (CHADD) is a national non-profit organization providing education, advocacy and support for individuals with ADHD. In addition to our informative Web site, CHADD also publishes a variety of printed materials to keep members and professionals current on research advances, medications and treatments affecting individuals with ADHD. These materials include *Attention!* magazine, the CHADD Information and Resource Guide to ADHD, News From CHADD, a free electronically mailed current events newsletter, as well as other publications of specific interest to educators, professionals and parents.

## **Coalition for Juvenile Justice**

<http://www.juvjustice.org>

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Washington, DC 20036  
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The top priority of the Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ) is the prevention of youth violence and delinquency. The CJJ supports community efforts to provide preschool education, mentors, job skills, after school recreation and counseling programs that will offer adult guidance and a constructive social outlet to children. CJJ represents 56 governor-appointed advisory groups that support the juvenile court system in the United States.

## **Council of Juvenile Correctional Administrators**

[www.cjca.net](http://www.cjca.net)

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Suite 106  
Braintree, MA 02184  
P: 781-843-2663  
F: 781-843-1688

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The Council of Juvenile Correctional Administrators (CJCA) brings together ideas and philosophies at the administrative level of juvenile corrections planning and policy making. Using these ideas CJCA is involved in the advancement of juvenile corrections and juvenile justice techniques dealing with program development, design of physical facilities, staff training and management of juvenile facilities.

## **Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health**

[www.ffcmh.org](http://www.ffcmh.org)

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Suite 420  
Alexandria, VA 22314-2971  
P: 703-684-7710  
F: 703-836-1040

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The Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health provides leadership for a nationwide network of family run organizations that target emotional, behavioral and mental disorders. The federation strives to react to the needs of all families, believing that mental illness affects all income, education, racial, ethnic and religious groups.

## **Juvenile Law Center**

<http://www.jlc.org/>

The Philadelphia Building  
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4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
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F: 215-625-2808

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The Juvenile Law Center advocates for children who have come in contact with public agencies. The goal of the Juvenile Law Center is to ensure that children are treated fairly by the systems that were created to help them. Also the Juvenile Law Center focuses on ensuring that these children receive the proper services and treatments. The Juvenile Law Center has staff attorneys that represent a small number of children in dependency and delinquency cases in family court. This direct representation allows the Juvenile Law Center to be involved in the day-to-day activities of the child welfare system.

## **National Center on Education, Disability and Juvenile Justice**

<http://www.edjj.org>

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The National Center on Education, Disability and Juvenile Justice (EDJJ) is a collaborative research, training, technical assistance and dissemination program designed to develop more effective responses to the needs of youth with disabilities in the juvenile justice system or those at-risk for involvement with the juvenile justice system. The activities of the center involve school and community-based prevention, education programs in detention and correctional settings and transition activities as youth leave corrections and reenter their communities.

## **National Center for Juvenile Justice**

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As the research division of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (see below), the National Center for Juvenile Justice, a private, non-profit organization, acts as a resource for original, independent research on topics related to juvenile justice. Its three departments - systems research, applied research and legal research - strive to leverage improvements to the juvenile and family court system.

## **National Council of Juvenile & Family Court Judges**

<http://www.ncjfcj.org>

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The National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (NCJFCJ) works to increase awareness and sensitivity to children's issues. The focus of the Council is to provide meaningful assistance to judges, court administrators and professionals who are in charge of the care of children within the justice system. Along with providing support, the Council provides continuing educational opportunities in the field of juvenile justice.

## **National Indian Child Welfare Association**

<http://www.nicwa.org>

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NICWA provides public policy, research, and advocacy; information and training on Indian child welfare; and community development services to a broad national audience including tribal governments and programs, state child welfare agencies, and other organizations, agencies, and professionals interested in the field of Indian child welfare.

## **National Juvenile Defender Center**

[http://www.njdc.info/about\\_us.php](http://www.njdc.info/about_us.php)

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The National Juvenile Defender Center (NJDC) was created in 1999 to respond to the critical need to build the capacity of the juvenile defense bar and to improve access to counsel and quality of representation for children in the justice system. In 2005, the National Juvenile Defender Center separated from the American Bar Association to become an independent organization. NJDC gives juvenile defense attorneys a more permanent capacity to address practice issues, improve advocacy skills, build partnerships, exchange information, and participate in the national debate over juvenile crime.

## National Juvenile Detention Association

<http://www.njda.com>

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The National Juvenile Detention Association (NJDA) exists to advance the science, process and art of juvenile detention services through the overall improvement of the juvenile justice profession. The Association promotes adequate detention services for juveniles by interpreting and promoting the concepts of juvenile detention services at the national, state and local levels.

## PACER Center

[www.pacer.org](http://www.pacer.org)

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The mission of PACER (Parent Advocacy Coalition for Educational Rights) Center is to expand opportunities and enhance the quality of life of children and young adults with disabilities and their families, based on the concept of parents helping parents. With assistance to individual families, workshops, materials for parents and professionals, and leadership in securing a free and appropriate public education for all children, PACER's work affects and encourages families in Minnesota and across the nation.

## **W. Haywood Burns Institute for Juvenile Justice Fairness and Equity**

<http://burnsinstitute.org/index.html>

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San Francisco, CA 94105  
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The W. Haywood Burns Institute was created to act as a voice for poor youth and youth of color, their families and communities in juvenile justice. The Institute targets the over-representation of youth of color in the juvenile justice and child welfare systems around the United States.

## **Youth Law Center**

<http://www.ylc.org>

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The Youth Law Center is a non-profit, public interest law office that works to protect abused and at-risk children. The focus of the Center is the problems of children living apart from their families in child welfare and juvenile justice systems. Staff attorneys investigate reports of abuse of children in adult jails, juvenile detention facilities, state institutions and child welfare systems. Center attorneys that investigate use technical assistance and negotiation to bring about change.

# National Technical Assistance, Research and Resource Centers

## **Center for Violence Research & Prevention**

<http://cpmcnet.columbia.edu/dept/sph/cvrp/>

The Joseph L. Mailman School of  
Public Health at Columbia University  
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New York, NY 10032  
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The staff at the Center For Violence Research and Prevention works with researchers, clinicians, public and private agencies and community organizations to conduct research on the causes and control of interpersonal violence.

## **Co-Occurring Center for Excellence**

<http://coce.samhsa.gov/>

Center for Substance Abuse Treatment  
Substance Abuse and Mental Health  
Services Administration, DHHS  
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Rockville, MD 20857  
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The Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute was created by the Florida legislature to expand knowledge about how to best serve the mental health needs of Florida's citizens. The institute serves as the states primary research and training center for mental health services.

## **Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute**

<http://www.fmhi.usf.edu>

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The Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute was created by the Florida legislature to expand knowledge about how to best serve the mental health needs of Florida's citizens. The institute serves as the state's primary research and training center for mental health services.

## **MacArthur Foundation Research Network on Adolescent Development and Juvenile Justice**

<http://www.mac-adoldev-juvjustice.org/index.html>

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The goal of the MacArthur Foundation Research Network on Adolescent Development and juvenile justice is to reexamine the juvenile justice system by using sound science and legal scholarship. The Network works to achieve this goal through the critical analysis of juvenile justice policies and practices, the design and implementation of new research on adolescent development and juvenile justice, and the communication of the results of these activities to policy-makers, practitioners, journalists, and other social scientists and legal scholars.

## **National Mental Health Services Knowledge Exchange Network**

<http://www.mentalhealth.org>

P.O. Box 2490  
Washington, DC 20015  
P: 800-789-2647

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Project Director

The Knowledge Exchange Network (KEN) was established to respond to questions generated by the general public, policy makers, providers, and the media concerning mental health issues. Along with searching KEN publications the staff at KEN will direct callers to the proper federal, state, and local organizations that are dedicated to treating and preventing mental illness.

## **National Technical Assistance Center for Children's Mental Health**

[http://gucchd.georgetown.edu/programs/ta\\_center/index.html](http://gucchd.georgetown.edu/programs/ta_center/index.html)

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Child Development Center  
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The National Technical Assistance Center for Children's Mental Health develops knowledge about effective policies and practices that promote children's mental health with an emphasis that includes strategic planning, leadership development, evaluation, interagency collaboration, cultural competence, policy development, prevention and early intervention.

## **National Youth Screening Assistance Project**

<http://www.umassmed.edu/nysap/>

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The National Youth Screening Assistance Project (NYSAP) was formed to promote the use of the MAYSI-2 (Massachusetts Youth Screening Instrument - Second Version) nationwide. The project provides MAYSI-2 users with technical assistance and research services. The MAYSI-2 is a screening instrument used to identify potential mental health needs of youth as they make initial contact with the juvenile justice system.

**Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention  
National Training and Technical Assistance Center**

<http://www.nttac.org/index.cfm>

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Fairfax, VA 22030  
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By working with the juvenile justice field the National Training and Technical Assistance Center (NTTAC) works to promote the use of best practices and supports the delivery of high quality training and technical assistance that reflects the diversity of populations within the United States.

**Research and Training Center on Family Support and Children's  
Mental Health**

<http://www rtc.pdx.edu>

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Utilizing collaborative research partnerships with family members, service providers and policy makers the Research and Training Center on Family Support and Children's Mental Health promotes effective community-based and family centered services for families and their children who are affected by mental, emotional and behavioral health disorders.

**SOLOMON Project Office of Child Development, Neuropsychiatry  
and Mental Health**

<http://www.childrensprogram.org/solomon>

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SOLOMON provides pro bono psychiatric consultation on mental health issues to Juvenile and Family Courts. The project offers technical assistance and trainings to the juvenile justice and child welfare systems. SOLOMON seeks to disseminate information regarding child development, children's mental health and developmental traumatology to practitioners in the field.

# Foundations

## **Annie E. Casey Foundation**

<http://www.aecf.org>

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Baltimore, MD 21202  
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Douglas W. Nelson  
President

The Annie E. Casey Foundation is a private institution that was founded in 1948. To this day the Foundation works to help build better futures for disadvantaged children who are at risk of poor educational, economic, and health outcomes.

## **Davis and Lucile Packard Foundation**

<http://www.packard.org>

300 Second Street  
Suite 200  
Los Altos, CA 94022  
P: 650-948-7658

Carol S. Larson  
President

The Packard Foundation provides grants to nonprofit organizations who concentrate on conservation; population; science; children; families; and communities; arts; and organizational effectiveness and philanthropy.

## **The Hogg Foundation for Mental Health**

<http://www.hogg.utexas.edu>

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An administrative unit of The University of Texas at Austin, the Hogg Foundation defines mental health broadly and is interested in programs that implement and evaluate innovative projects that are designed to meet the broad mental health needs of Texans. While the Foundation invites proposals dealing with any aspect of mental health service delivery, program development, research, and education, priority is given to projects targeting its primary program areas of mental health policy and law, mental health services research, public education and outreach, and academic and professional training.

## **The JEHT Foundation**

[www.jehtfoundation.org](http://www.jehtfoundation.org)

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New York, NY 10012  
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The JEHT Foundation was established in April 2000 to support its donors' interests in human rights, social justice and community building. The name JEHT stands for the core values that underlie the Foundation's mission: Justice, Equality, Human Dignity and Tolerance. The Foundation's Community Justice and International Justice programs reflect these interests and values.

## **The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation**

<http://www.macfound.org>

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The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation is a private independent grant-making institution dedicated to helping groups and individuals foster lasting improvement in the human condition. The Foundation seeks the development of healthy individuals and effective communities; peace within and among nations; responsible choices about human reproduction; and global ecosystem capable of supporting healthy human societies. This mission is pursued by supporting research, policy development, dissemination, education and training, and practice.

## **The Tow Foundation**

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Motivated by the philosophy that no child is beyond help, the work of The Tow Foundation is focused on system reforms that would provide vulnerable youth with an opportunity to succeed and become productive members of their communities.