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YOUTH JUSTICE IN ACTION CONFERENCE

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WYNDHAM GRAND PITTSBURGH DOWNTOWN

OCTOBER 13TH - 15TH

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

October 13th – *Early Registration, Networking Mixer*

2:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Early Registration Opens
3:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Exhibitor Set-up
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Networking Mixer and Community YJAM Activity Please join us at our welcome mixer to network with partners and experts from around the country. Small snacks and beverages provided.

October 14th – *Conference Opening, Plenaries, Workshops, Executive Board Meeting*

7:30 am – 5:00 pm	Registration and Exhibitor Hall Open
8:00 am – 9:00 am	Breakfast
8:00 am – 9:00 am	ECD Committee Open House Breakfast All attendees are invited to attend the ECD Committee open house. The ECD Committee advises CJJ on ways to ensure that diversity representative of race, gender, and ethnicity of youth and families involved with the juvenile justice system and issues related thereto are incorporated into CJJ activities and strategic goals.
9:00 am – 10:40 am	Conference Welcome & General Session • Introduction and Opening Remarks • Keynote • Plenary
10:40 am – 10:45 am	Break
10:45 am – 12:00 pm	Concurrent Workshop Session #1
12:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Lunch on Your Own R/ED Coordinator Meeting – (Closed Meeting/Lunch Provided)
2:00 pm – 3:15 pm	Concurrent Workshop Session #2
3:15 pm – 3:30 pm	Break
3:30 pm – 4:45 pm	Concurrent Workshop Session #3
5:00 pm – 8:30 pm	CJJ Executive Board Meeting (Closed)

October 15th – *Workshops, Regional Meetings, Workshops, Award Luncheon*

8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Registration Opens
7:45 am – 3:00 pm	Exhibit Hall Opens
7:45 am – 10:00 am	Breakfast

8:15 am – 10:00 am

Regional Breakfast Meetings

All attendees are invited to participate in a regional breakfast for information sharing, problem-solving, networking, sharing recent innovations, and successes with juvenile justice professionals in your area.

- Midwest
- West
- Northeast
- South

10:00 am – 10:15 am

Break

10:15 am – 11:30 am

Concurrent Workshop Session #4

11:40 am – 12:55 pm

Concurrent Workshop Session #5

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

CJJ Luncheon and Award Ceremony (Lunch Provided)

- Andrew Smith Award Awardee:
- R/ED Spotlight
- Youth Star Performer Spotlight

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Plenary

3:00 pm – 4:15 pm

Closing

- Closing Plenary
- Youth Justice Action Month Highlights
- Land Acknowledgement
- Closing Remarks

COALITION FOR JUVENILE JUSTICE (CJJ)
REGIONS OF STATE ADVISORY GROUPS

The composition of the JJDPAs State Advisory Groups (SAGs) regions is defined in the CJJ Bylaws. Each region's members are represented on the CJJ Executive Board by a Regional Chair and 1-to-2 Regional Representatives. Memberships in CJJ are granted to all SAG members, as well as the state staff that work on JJDPAs matters with the SAG (including the state Juvenile Justice Specialists, DMC Coordinators, and Compliance Monitors).

The Chair/Chair-designee of each CJJ member-SAG has a vote in all proceedings of the CJJ Council of SAGs. The Council is responsible for Bylaws, electing Officers to the Board, and approving major policy positions. The Council of SAGs shall meet at least once annually. The CJJ Executive Board convenes at least 4 times per year to act as the governing body for legal, fiscal and strategic decisions, reflecting the views of CJJ members and stakeholders.

<u>Midwest</u>	<u>Northeast</u>	<u>Southern</u>	<u>Western</u>
Illinois*	Connecticut*	Alabama	Alaska*
Indiana*	Delaware*	Arkansas*	American Samoa
Iowa	Maine*	Florida	Arizona
Michigan*	Maryland	Georgia*	California
Minnesota*	Massachusetts*	Kentucky*	Colorado*
Missouri*	New Hampshire*	Louisiana	Comm. No. Marianas
Nebraska	New Jersey*	Mississippi*	Guam*
North Dakota*	New York*	North Carolina*	Hawaii*
Ohio*	Pennsylvania*	Puerto Rico	Idaho*
South Dakota*	Rhode Island*	South Carolina*	Kansas*
Wisconsin	Vermont*	Tennessee*	Montana
	Virgin Islands	Virginia	Nevada*
	Washington, DC*	West Virginia	New Mexico*
			Oklahoma*
			Oregon*
			Texas
			Utah*
			Washington*
			Wyoming

*CJJ member states (List last updated October 2025)

Questions? If you have any questions about the CJJ Council of SAGs, Executive Board, CJJ Regions, or CJJ Membership, please contact Melissa Milchman CJJ Executive Director, at milchman@juvjustice.org.

CJJ SAG and State Agency membership dues are renewed on annual basis and follow a calendar year schedule (January 1 - December 31). Membership renewal reminders are sent out in early November prior to the start of the year and are due at the end of January.



Due to the varying requirements of different jurisdictions and disciplines, CJJ does not seek prior accreditation of educational programs for CLE/CEUs. Please consult the rules of your jurisdiction regarding procedures for receiving continuing education credits.

Sponsor: Coalition for Juvenile Justice
Activity Level: CJJ Youth Justice in Action Conference
Dates: October 14- 16
Location: The Royal Sonesta Downtown Minneapolis
Minneapolis, MN

This program may qualify for up to:
15 hours CLE/CEUs based on the 60-minute hour

By signing below, I certify that I attended the activity described above and am entitled to claim

_____ CLE/CEU credit hours

(If attending the full conference, write 15 hours in the blank. Otherwise, please note actual number of hours attended).

Name (Please Print or Type)

Signature

Membership, Registration, or Supreme Court # Date

State where credits are to be registered

NOTE: If you are required to report to more than one state, complete a separate form for each state.

Acknowledge by:

(Sponsor Representative)

Date