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Pending Rules and Forms–Invitation to Comment

Sixteen (16) new proposals to amend the California Rules of Court and Judicial Council forms as well as legislation have been posted to the California Courts web site, at <http://www.courts.ca.gov/policyadmin-invitationstocomment.htm>.

Listed below are seven proposals that may be of interest to those involved in family and juvenile law proceedings. You are welcome to distribute this to any other interested parties. The deadline for comments is 5:00 p.m., **Wednesday, June 18, 2014.**

Appellate

Appellate Procedure: Record in Juvenile Appeals

Item Number: SPR14-04

Deadline for Comments: June 18, 2014 5:00 PM (Pacific)

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Based on a suggestion received from the director of one of the appellate projects that assists the Court of Appeal with appointed counsel in criminal and juvenile appeals, the Appellate Advisory Committee is proposing that the rules relating to the record on appeal in juvenile dependency cases be amended to: (1) provide that a copy of the record will only be provided to a child who is not appealing if that child is either represented by counsel or the appointment of counsel has been recommended for that child; (2) require that a copy of the record be provided to an Indian tribe that has intervened in either a case concerning termination of parental rights or other dependency proceedings in certain counties; and (3) make other nonsubstantive changes.

Family and Juvenile

Family Law: Petition and Response for Dissolution, Legal Separation, and Nullity of Marriage and Domestic Partnership

Item Number: SPR14-09

Deadline for Comments: June 18, 2014 5:00 PM (Pacific)

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Currently, form FL-103 is used by litigants in same-sex marriages or domestic partnerships to commence an action in family court for dissolution, legal separation, or nullity. A separate form FL-100 is used by a petitioner in a marriage between a man and a woman.

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Using form FL-103 alerts the court that there might be special issues to consider regarding the tax consequences of an order of spousal support, or different treatment of pensions under the Defense of Marriage Act, or special concerns regarding custody orders if same-sex parents leave the state of California. However, given the Supreme Court’s recent holding, these differences have limited relevance and there does not appear to be a need for married persons of the same sex to use form FL-103 instead of form FL-100.

In light of the changes to federal law, and to streamline procedures in family court, the Family and Juvenile Law Committee proposes the use of one form for all petitions and one form for all responses filed in family court requesting dissolution, separation, or nullity of a marriage or domestic partnership. To this end, form FL-100 would be revised to include the necessary provisions of form FL-103; form FL-120 would be revised to incorporate items from form FL-123; rule 5.76 would be amended to reflect the change in required forms; and other forms would be revised or revoked to reflect the consolidation.

Family Law: Uniform Standards of Practice for Providers of Supervised Visitation

Item Number: SPR14-10

Deadline for Comments: June 18, 2014 5:00 PM (Pacific)

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Family Code section 3200.5 lists statutory requirements for providers of supervised visitation—requirements that must be incorporated into any standard for such providers adopted by the Judicial Council under Family Code section 3200. To ensure that standard 5.20 of the California Standards of Judicial Administration, governing providers of supervised visitation, conforms to Family Code section 3200.5, the Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee recommends amending the standard to incorporate the new statutory requirements. The committee also recommends making additional changes to standard 5.20 to enhance its internal consistency. In addition, the committee recommends revising the Supervised Visitation Order (form FL-341(A)) to eliminate references to “therapeutic visitation” to maintain consistency with the provisions of section 3200.5.

Family and Juvenile Law: Parentage

Item Number: SPR14-11

Deadline for Comments: June 18, 2014 5:00 PM (Pacific)

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The Family and Juvenile Advisory Committee proposes amending five rules of court and revising two mandatory Judicial Council forms in response to recent legislation.

These programs are supported with funds from the Office on Violence Against Women, U.S. Department of Justice that are administered through the Governor’s Office of Emergency Services (CalOES), the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Court Improvement Program, and the California Department of Social Services.

Assembly Bill 1403 updated California’s version of the Uniform Parentage Act to clarify that a natural parent need not be biologically related to his or her child and to replace the terms mother, father, and paternity with the gender-neutral terms parent and parentage where appropriate. The proposed amendments and revisions would ensure that the rules and forms conform to the statutory usage, as well as ensuring that the rules and forms are internally consistent.

Juvenile Law: Instructions to Seal Juvenile Records

Item Number: SPR14-12

Deadline for Comments: June 18, 2014 5:00 PM (Pacific)

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Assembly Bill 1006 (Yamada; Stats. 2013, ch. 269) directed the Judicial Council, effective January 1, 2015, to develop informational materials and a form to enable a former ward or individual for whom a petition was filed under Welfare and Institutions Code, section 602, and any individual who had contact with a probation department under section 626, to petition the court for the sealing and destruction of juvenile records under section 781 and rule 5.8301. Section 781(g) provides that each county probation department and court must ensure that record-sealing information and a form petition are provided to eligible youth. It also instructs that the sealing information and the form petition “shall be provided . . . when jurisdiction is terminated or when the case is dismissed.” The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory committee proposes new and amended forms and revision to rule 5.830 to implement this statute.

Juvenile Dependency: Information Form for Parents

Item Number: SPR14-13

Deadline for Comments: June 18, 2014 5:00 PM (Pacific)

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Welfare and Institutions Code section 307.4 requires the Judicial Council, in consultation with the County Welfare Directors Association of California, to adopt a form to provide to parents or guardians whose children are being removed to explain their procedural rights and the preliminary stages of the dependency process. There are currently two Judicial Council forms that provide basic information to parents about the dependency court process, but neither of them contains all of the information required by section 307.4. As a result, the Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee recommends revoking both of these forms, and replacing them with a new information form that incorporates their essential content and meets the statutory requirements.

Juvenile Dependency: Attorney Training

Item Number: SPR14-14

Deadline for Comments: June 18, 2014 5:00 PM (Pacific)

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The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee proposes amending rule 5.660 to conform to a recent statutory change to the education and training requirements for attorneys who appear in juvenile dependency proceedings. Assembly Bill 868 amended section 317(c) of the Welfare and Institutions Code, effective January 1, 2014, to require that this training include instruction on sensitivity to the needs of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender youth. The proposed amendment would add this topic to those required by the rule and make minor, nonsubstantive modifications to clarify the text.

If you have any questions, please contact Camilla Kieliger, at camilla.kieliger@jud.ca.gov, or at 415-865-7681.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

**American Probation & Parole Association and the Tulalip Tribes
The Impact of Enhanced Sentencing Authority for Tribal Probation
Webinar on May 20, 2014 from 3:00 – 4:30 pm (EDT)**

This webinar will:

- Discuss the anticipated impact of enhanced sentencing authority under TLOA and jurisdiction over non-Indians under VAWA for tribal probation officers.
- Discuss the importance of reentry planning for tribal members who receive enhanced sentences.
- Discuss how jurisdictions can work collaboratively to ensure successful reentry of tribal members back into their communities.
- Discuss the plans the Tulalip Tribe is working to put into place for the return of tribal members sentenced under the tribes' enhanced sentencing authority to the Bureau of Prisons Pilot Project.

There is no cost to participate in this webinar. [Click here](#) to register.

This webinar is being coordinated in partnership with the Tribal Judicial Institute and the National Tribal Judicial Center at the National Judicial College, with funding from the Bureau of Justice Assistance.

**14th National Indian Nations Conference:
Justice for Victims of Crime
Agua Caliente Reservation, Coachella Valley, California
December 11 - 13, 2014**

This national conference will provide opportunities for tribal, state, and federal participants to share knowledge, experiences, and ideas for developing and improving strategies and programs that serve the unique needs of crime victims in Indian Country.

Pre-Conference Institutes will be held Wednesday December 10, 2014. Registration Packets will be available in early summer 2014: Call for Presentations will be available the end of May 2014.

MORE EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

Court Extranet:

The State Judicial Branch has a Court Extranet with educational and other resources for state court judges and tribal court judges. This website contains information relevant to all levels of judicial branch personnel and includes resources designed to meet education, facilities, financial, human resources, legal, special court projects, technology, and other informational needs. It also offers both current news and archived resources. For more information, please contactCarolynn Bernabe at 415-865-7556 or carolynn.bernabe@jud.ca.gov.

California Dependency Online Guide (CalDOG):

The State Judicial Branch has a Dependency Online Guide with dependency-related case law, legal materials, articles and other resources to California attorneys, judicial officers, social workers, tribal representatives, Court Appointed Special Advocates, and other child welfare professionals. This website contains up-to-date information for professionals working in child welfare, regardless of the size of the county, the employer, or the availability of legal and other resources in the local area. For more information, view the [CalDOG postcard](#). Subscriptions are free and available to professionals working in the field of juvenile dependency. [Log in or subscribe here](#).

Inter-American Human Rights System Handbook - Combating Violence Against Native Women in the U.S

A new handbook by the Indian Law Resource Center documents advocacy within the Inter-American Human Rights System to combat violence against Native women in the United States. The handbook is available to read here: <http://www.indianlaw.org/sites/default/files/IACHR-Handbook.pdf>

[Indian Child Welfare Act Facts & Fiction](#) (December 23, 2013) - The Tribal Judicial Leadership Group (comprised of tribal and state court judges), coordinated by the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (NCJFCJ) and Casey Family Programs identified the need to dispel common misconceptions and misunderstandings around the Indian Child Welfare Act. Included in this document are common misunderstandings, facts, recommended practices, and statutory references surrounding application, notice, membership, intervention, transfer, active efforts, best interests, qualified expert witnesses, and placement. This structure is meant to allow users to jump to issues of particular concern in their jurisdictions, but can also be reviewed as a whole. The goal of this publication is to improve compliance with ICWA and assist judges in fulfilling its mandates.

http://www.ncjfcj.org/sites/default/files/ICWA_Facts&Fiction_Final.pdf

Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) Educational Resource Video - Bringing Our Children Home: An Introduction to the Indian Child Welfare Act

The video will be a companion to the National ICWA Judicial Curriculum currently in development, a resource designed for state court judges, courts, and judicial educators.

http://courts.ms.gov/trialcourts/youthcourt/youthcourt_ycvideos.html

FORUM PROPOSALS

(To view these and past proposals, see forum home page <http://www.courts.ca.gov/3065.htm>)

SB 406: The California Judicial Council approved sponsoring legislation, the Tribal Court Civil Money Judgment Act, which will simplify and clarify the process by which tribal court civil money judgments are recognized and enforced in California. In response to objections from organized labor, the bill was revised. The primary changes were to the scope of the bill and to more closely track the language of the Foreign-Country Money Judgment Act (the Act). The bill now is applicable only to money judgments and includes the Act's provisions relating to the grounds for a state court's refusal to enforce the judgment. The bill will be heard by the Senate Judiciary Committee on January 14, 2014.

http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/pub/13-14/bill/sen/sb_0401-0450/sb_406_bill_20140106_amended_sen_v98.pdf

AB 1618: Tribal Access to Confidential Juvenile Court Files: The California Judicial Council approved sponsoring legislation to amend section 827 of the Welfare and Institutions Code to address the issue of tribal access to confidential juvenile court files involving tribal children. The proposed legislation seeks to ensure tribal access to juvenile court files involving tribal children consistent with the mandates of existing federal and state law. Both federal and state law mandate notice to tribes of all juvenile dependency and some juvenile delinquency matters involving tribal children and provide tribes with the right to participate in these proceedings. However, Welf. & Inst. Code § 827, which governs access to confidential juvenile court files, does not mention tribes. [AB 1618 Fact Sheet](#) and

http://leginfo.ca.gov/pub/13-14/bill/asm/ab_1601-1650/ab_1618_bill_20140206_introduced.pdf

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SB 940 Uniform Adult Guardianship and Protective Proceedings Jurisdiction Act (UAGPPJA) Proposed for California: The California Judicial Council approved submission of comments to the California Law Revision Commission (CLRC) for adoption in California of a modified version of the Uniform Adult Guardianship and Protective Proceedings Jurisdiction Act to address issues involving conservatorships for members of Indian tribes located California. http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/pub/13-14/bill/sen/sb_0901-0950/sb_940_bill_20140310_amended_sen_v98.pdf

OTHER NEWS

American Indian Probate Reform Act (AIPRA)

The National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws (aka the Uniform Law Commission, which initiated the UAGPPJA) established a committee to develop a uniform tribal probate code relating to decedent estate and distribution issues. This committee will collaborate with representatives of tribal governments and others from Indian Country to draft a Model Tribal Probate Code that would supplement and “wrap around” AIPRA so as to be consistent with AIPRA and also better fulfill the purposes of both AIPRA and the Indian Land Consolidation Act. For more information, see: <http://uniformlaws.org/Committee.aspx?title=Tribal%20Probate%20Code>

US: BIA Seeking Feedback on Indian Child Welfare Act Guidelines for State Courts

Native News - April 13, 2014

Listening Sessions to hear from tribal leaders and representatives on the re-examination and update of the BIA's Indian Child Welfare Act Guidelines for State Courts [are presented].

<http://nativenewsonline.net/currents/bia-seeking-feedback-indian-child-welfare-act-guidelines-state-courts/>

Pala Tribe’s Social Services

The first tribe in California was just granted the ability to perform live scans to qualify Indian homes for placement. This is groundbreaking news and will foster appropriate placement of Indian children in Indian homes. For information, please contact: Tom Lidot, Curriculum Coordinator, [Tribal STAR, tlidot@mail.sdsu.edu](mailto:tlidot@mail.sdsu.edu)

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

Strategic Prevention Framework Partnerships for Success State and Tribal Initiative

Due By: May 14, 2014

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) is accepting applications for fiscal year (FY) 2014 Strategic Prevention Framework Partnerships for Success State and Tribal Initiative grants (SPF-PFS). This program is designed to address two of the nation’s top substance abuse prevention priorities: 1) underage drinking among persons aged 12 to 20; and 2) prescription drug misuse and abuse among persons aged 12 to 25.

<http://beta.samhsa.gov/grants/grant-announcements/sp-14-004>

OVC Fiscal Year (FY) 2014 Services for Victims of Human Trafficking

Due By: May 15, 2014

The primary goal of this program is to enhance the quality and quantity of services available to assist victims of human trafficking, as defined by the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended, by enhancing interagency collaboration and the coordinated community response to victims of human trafficking, and through the provision of high-quality services that address the individual

needs of trafficking victims. This solicitation will provide funding to victim service organizations with a demonstrated history of providing services for victims of human trafficking. Funding under this program

will support two different program areas: 1) comprehensive services for all victims of human trafficking, and 2) specialized services for victims of human trafficking. Under the specialized services category, OVC intends to dedicate a portion of the funding to proposals focusing on providing culturally relevant services for American Indian and/or Alaskan Native (AI/AN) victims of human trafficking. OVC intends to peer review and assess these proposals focusing on AI/AN victims separately from the other specialized services proposals. Funding under both program areas also will support efforts to increase the capacity of communities to respond to human trafficking victims through the development of interagency partnerships, professional training, and public awareness activities. The statutory authority for this program is 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b)(2).

http://ojp.gov/ovc/grants/pdf/txt/FY14_ServicesforVictims_HumanTrafficking.pdf

PPHF- 2014 Cooperative Agreements for State-Sponsored Youth Suicide Prevention and Early Intervention (PPHF-2014)

Due By: May 19, 2014

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Center for Mental Health Services is accepting applications for fiscal year (FY) PPHF- 2014 Cooperative Agreements for State-Sponsored Youth Suicide Prevention and Early Intervention (Short Title: State/Tribal Youth Suicide Prevention Cooperative Agreements) (PPHF-2014). The purpose of this program is to support states and tribes (including Alaska Villages and urban Indian organizations) in developing and implementing statewide or tribal youth suicide prevention and early intervention strategies, grounded in public/private collaboration. Such efforts must involve public/private collaboration among youth-serving institutions and agencies and should include schools, educational institutions, juvenile justice systems, foster care systems, substance abuse and mental health programs, and other child and youth supporting organizations. <http://beta.samhsa.gov/grants/grant-announcements/sm-14-008>

As a result of the State/Tribal Youth Suicide Prevention Cooperative Agreements, states, tribes, and communities will:

- Increase the number of persons in youth-serving organizations such as schools, foster care systems, and juvenile justice programs, trained to identify and refer youth at risk for suicide
- Increase the number of clinical service providers (including those working in health, mental health, and substance abuse) trained to assess, manage, and treat youth at risk for suicide
- Improve continuity of care and follow-up of youth identified at risk for suicide discharged from emergency department and inpatient psychiatric units
- Increase the identification of risk, referral and utilization of behavioral health care services
- Increase the promotion and utilization of the [National Suicide Prevention Lifeline](#)
- Comprehensively implement applicable sections of the 2012 [National Strategy for Suicide Prevention](#) to reduce rates of suicidal ideation, suicide attempts, and suicide deaths in their communities.

FY 2014 Vision 21: Linking Systems of Care for Children and Youth State Demonstration Project **Due By: May 21, 2014**

This solicitation seeks to address the enduring issue of child and youth victimization through state-level demonstration projects. Victimization, left unaddressed, can have serious, long-lasting consequences for children’s physical and mental health. Research demonstrates that trauma left untreated may manifest into a range of physical, emotional, and behavioral problems. We pay for child and youth victimization in many ways: health and mental health care, child welfare, special education, juvenile and criminal justice, and losses in productivity over the individual’s lifespan. Although many systems exist to respond to these various issues, these systems often fail to communicate and collaborate effectively to get to the root of the problem. Through this solicitation, OVC is seeking state-level demonstration sites that will bring all of the relevant systems and professionals together to establish a coordinated approach. This approach will ensure that every child entering these systems is assessed for victimization, that children and their families are provided comprehensive and coordinated services to fully address their needs, and that practices and policies are established to sustain this approach long term. The project will be conducted in two phases—Phase 1: Planning (15 months) and Phase 2: Implementation (5 years)—and funded incrementally in 15-month periods. This project is authorized by 42 U.S.C. § 10603(c)(1)(A).

http://ojp.gov/ovc/grants/pdfxt/FY14_V21_LinkingSystemsofCare.pdf

OVC FY 2014 Vision 21 Victim Services Mobile Application **Due by: May 21, 2014**

The statutory authority for this project is 42 U.S.C. § 10603 (c) (1) (A). This project seeks to enhance public awareness, outreach, and education by developing two distinct mobile applications (app) ☐ one with a national focus and another with a specific state, tribal, or local jurisdictional focus ☐ that serve crime victims, their families, victim service providers, and allied professionals. These two distinct mobile apps will assist the target audience(s) by using technology to efficiently navigate the criminal justice system and to connect end users with victim-centered resources and services.

http://ojp.gov/ovc/grants/pdfxt/FY14_V21_Victims_Mobile_App.pdf

OJJDP FY 2014 National Mentoring Programs **Due By: May 27, 2014**

This solicitation supports national mentoring organizations in their efforts to strengthen and/or expand their existing mentoring activities within local chapters or Sub awardees. Mentoring activities include direct one-on-one, group, or peer mentoring services for at-risk and under-served youth populations. Successful applicants should implement programs that will recognize and address the factors that can lead to or serve as a catalyst for delinquency or other problem behaviors in under served youth. Expansion of mentoring activities should create new opportunities for mentee achievement. This program is authorized pursuant to paragraph (2), under the Juvenile Justice heading, in the Department of Justice Appropriations Act, 2014, P.L.113-76: 128 Stat. 5, 64.

<http://www.ojjdp.gov/grants/solicitations/FY2014/NationalMentoring.pdf>

Joint Adult Drug Court Solicitation to Enhance Services, Coordination, and Treatment FY 2014 **Competitive Grant Announcement** **Due by: May 28, 2014**

BJA and SAMHSA are accepting applications for fiscal year (FY) 2014 grants to enhance the court services, coordination, and evidence-based substance abuse treatment and recovery support services of adult drug courts. The purpose of this joint initiative is to allow applicants to submit a comprehensive strategy for enhancing drug court services and capacity. Applicants are competing for two grant awards

(a grant from SAMHSA and a separate grant from BJA) for both criminal justice and substance abuse treatment funds with one application. In order to fulfill all of the requirements for this grant program, applicants should comply with the requirements outlined in this grant announcement as well as those incorporated by reference in the Requirements Resource Guide. These grants are authorized under 42 U.S.C. § 3797u, et seq., and section 509 of the Public Health Service Act, as amended. This announcement addresses Healthy People 2020 Substance Abuse Topic Area HP 2020-SA and SAMHSA's Strategic

Initiative on Trauma and Justice. Drug courts funded through this grant solicitation may use federal funding and matched funding to serve only nonviolent offenders¹ and must operate the adult drug court based on BJA's and the National Association of Drug Court Professionals' publication *Defining Drug Courts: The Key Components*, which addresses the statutory requirements.

<https://www.bja.gov/Funding/14BJASAMHSADrugCourtSol.pdf>

Native American Elder Justice Initiative Administration for Community Living — Department of Health and Human Services

Due by: June 2, 2014

The Native American Elder Justice Initiative (NAEJI) will address the need for more culturally appropriate information and community education materials on elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation in Indian Country. It is expected that activities carried out under NAEJI will address at least one (1) of the needs listed below: a) Identify, develop, or disseminate information and strategies on effective collaborations between tribal and non-tribal entities to address suspected cases of abuse, neglect, or exploitation; b) Assist Tribes in the development of tribal codes that protect seniors, building on existing work to develop model codes and an implementation toolkit, and maintaining examples of tribal codes to share with those creating or updating their own codes; c) Identify, develop, or disseminate informational materials for professionals and tribal members on elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation that are culturally appropriate to Tribal perceptions of abuse and Tribal values; d) Develop training and technical assistance materials about elder abuse in Indian Country, such as: basic information about elder abuse, how to identify abuse, developing effective multi-disciplinary teams, and developing and/or promoting effective tribal prevention, intervention, and response activities, including those that involve effective cross-jurisdictional partnerships; e) Provide training, technical assistance, and outreach to increase awareness of the problem of elder abuse in Indian Country, as well as the NAEJI, such as through conference presentations, materials development, PSAs, newsletters, articles, etc.; f) Identify, develop, disseminate, or provide training to tribal professionals on elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation; and g) Explore with Tribes the needs and challenges surrounding data collection on elder abuse issues in Indian Country, including what kinds of data would be useful and to whom, how data could be collected, who would/could collect it, how would confidentiality be guaranteed, what kind of system would be necessary to house and securely store data, and other issues related to the development of data collection systems. <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html>

OVC FY 2014 Tribal Victim Assistance Professional Development Fellowship Program**Due By: June 2, 2014**

The individual awarded funding under this solicitation will undertake activities on issues emanating from OVC’s strategic planning initiative, Vision 21: Transforming Victim Services. Specifically, the findings and recommendations in the initiative’s Final Report that relate to the need for reaching and serving all victims of crime, including American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) victim populations. The cooperative agreement for the FY 2014 Tribal Victim Assistance Professional Development Fellowship is awarded under 42 U.S.C. §§10603 (c)(1)(A) and (c)(3)(E), which authorizes funding for training, technical assistance, demonstration projects, and fellowships.

http://ojp.gov/ovc/grants/pdfxt/FY14_TribalVictimAssistance.pdf

Minority AIDS Initiative Continuum of Care Pilot - Integration of HIV Prevention and Medical Care into Mental Health and Substance Abuse Treatment Programs for Racial/Ethnic Minority Populations at High Risk for Behavioral Health Disorders and HIV**Due By: June 4, 2014**

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT), Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS), and Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) is accepting applications for fiscal year (FY) 2014 MAI CoC Pilot-Integration of HIV Medical Care into Behavioral Health Programs. The purpose of this jointly funded program is to integrate care (behavioral health treatment, prevention, and HIV medical care services) for racial/ethnic minority populations at high risk for behavioral health disorders and high risk for or living with HIV. The grant will fund programs that provide coordinated and integrated services through the co-location of behavioral health treatment and HIV medical care. This program is primarily intended for substance abuse treatment programs and community mental health programs that can co-locate and fully integrate HIV prevention and medical care services within them. However, if it is demonstrated that co-location is not possible and full integration can still be achieved through other means, this will be acceptable. SAMHSA funds must be used for behavioral health screening; primary substance abuse and HIV prevention; substance abuse, mental health, and co-occurring treatment; creation of infrastructure to provide integrated care; HIV and hepatitis screening and testing, and hepatitis vaccination.

<http://beta.samhsa.gov/grants/grant-announcements/ti-14-013>

OVC FY 2014 Sexual Assault Response Team Toolkit 2.0**Due By: June 9, 2014**

Sexual assault remains an enduring issue across the Nation, impacting hundreds of thousands of victims each year. According to the U.S. Department of Justice’s Bureau of Justice Statistics, there were 346,830 rapes and sexual assaults reported to the National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS) in 2012. Of those victimizations, 28 Percent were reported to police (NCVS Victimization Analysis Tool Report). There are many different reasons why sexual assault victims do not report to the police; however, when a community does not have a victim-centered response protocol in place, victims may not feel empowered to request services or participate in the criminal justice system. To provide a victim-centered response, professionals must respond in a coordinated, interagency, multidisciplinary manner. Across the Nation, communities are in varying stages of developing, maintaining, and enhancing these victim-centered, coordinated community responses by using sexual assault response teams (SART). To assist in the efforts to build, sustain, and enhance SARTs nationwide, OVC published an online resource—SART Toolkit: Resources for Sexual Assault Response Teams (SART Toolkit)—in 2011. Since its release, the SART Toolkit has become an invaluable resource for the field—a “one-stop shop” for information and tools to establish, strengthen, and sustain SARTs in a variety of settings. While the SART Toolkit remains a critical technical assistance tool for the field, much has changed and evolved

since its development. The purpose of this project is to update the SART Toolkit so that professionals have easy access to the most current research, practices, and information to support sexual assault victims, particularly those in underserved populations. Funding for this award is authorized under 42 U.S.C. § 10603(c)(1)(A). http://ojp.gov/ovc/grants/pdfxt/FY14_SART%20Toolkit_Solicitation.pdf

OVC FY 2014 Service, Support & Justice: A Strategy to Enhance Law Enforcement Response to Victims Demonstration Project

Due By: June 9, 2014

In 2009, the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) released a national strategy and toolkit of implementation resources to support the enhancement of law enforcement’s response to victims of crime. Under the Enhancing Law Enforcement Response to Victims (ELERV) initiative, funded by the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC), the strategy and resources were developed, pilot-tested, and validated over the course of several years. In Fiscal Year (FY) 2014, OVC is undertaking a comprehensive initiative to support the implementation and evaluation of the ELERV Strategy and toolkit in the Service, Support & Justice: A Strategy to Enhance Law Enforcement Response to Victims Initiative. The Initiative has three components. The demonstration project funded under this solicitation is one of the components. Under the demonstration project, OVC will competitively select three law enforcement agencies to implement the ELERV Strategy. IACP will provide intensive technical assistance to the sites, and the strategy and its implementation will be independently evaluated. This project is funded through 42 U.S.C. § 10603(c)(1)(A). http://ojp.gov/ovc/grants/pdfxt/FY14_DemonstrationProject.pdf

American Indians Into Medicine Indian Health Service — Department of Health and Human Services

Due By: June 13, 2014

The purpose of the Indians into Medicine Program (INMED) is to augment the number of Indian health professionals serving Indians by encouraging Indians to enter the health professions and removing the multiple barriers to their entrance into practice serving Indians.

<http://www.ihs.gov/dgm/documents/HHS-2014-IHS-INMED-0001.pdf>

“Now is the Time” Healthy Transitions (HT): Improving Life Trajectories for Youth and Young Adults with, or at Risk for, Serious Mental Health Conditions

Due by: June 13, 2014

In support of [the President’s “Now is the Time” \(NITT\) Plan](#), the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) is announcing a new grant program, “Now is the Time” Healthy Transitions: Improving Life Trajectories for Youth and Young Adults with, or at Risk for, Serious Mental Health Conditions (Short Title, NITT-Healthy Transitions (NITT-HT)). The purpose of this program is to improve access to treatment and support services for youth and young adults ages 16 – 25 that either have, or are at risk of developing a serious mental health condition. Individuals who are 16 – 25 years old are at high risk of developing a mental illness or substance use disorder, and are at high risk for suicide. Unfortunately, these youth are among the least likely to seek help and, as a result, they may “fall through the cracks” and not receive the help they need to assume safe and productive adult roles and responsibilities. <http://beta.samhsa.gov/grants/grant-announcements/sm-14-017>

To accomplish program goals, NITT-HT will promote:

- Creation, implementation and expansion of services and supports that are culturally competent and youth-guided, involve and include family and community members (including business leaders and faith-based organizations), and provide for continuity of care between child- and adult-serving systems to ensure seamless transition.
- Infrastructure and organization change at a state/tribal/territorial level to improve cross-system collaboration, service capacity and expertise related to youth and young adults with or at-risk of,

serious mental health and substance use disorders as they transition into adult roles and responsibilities.

- Public awareness, cross-system provider training, e.g. higher education/community colleges, behavioral health, law enforcement, primary care, vocational services and child welfare.

Cooperative Agreements for Tribal Behavioral Health

Due by: June 17, 2014

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Center for Mental Health Services is accepting applications for fiscal year (FY) 2014 Tribal Behavioral Health (Short Title: Native Connections) grants. The purpose of this program is to prevent and reduce suicidal behavior and substance abuse and promote mental health among American Indian/Alaska Native young people up to and including age 24

The goals of this program fall within two of SAMHSA’s Strategic Initiatives: Prevention of Substance Abuse and Mental Illness, and Trauma and Justice. This program will help grantees reduce the impact of substance abuse, mental illness, and trauma on AI/AN communities through a public health approach. In addition, this grant will allow AI/AN communities to support youth and young adults as they transition into adulthood by facilitating collaboration among agencies. Native Connections grants are authorized under 520A of the Public Health Service Act, as amended. This announcement addresses Healthy People 2020 Mental Health and Mental Disorders Topic Area HP 2020-MHMD and Substance Abuse Topic Area HP 2020-SA. <http://beta.samhsa.gov/grants/grant-announcements/sm-14-013>

NIJ FY 14 Methodological Research to Support NIJ's Program of Research Examining Violence and Victimization of American Indian (AI) and Alaska Native (AN) Youth National Institute of Justice — Department of Justice

Due By: June 17, 2014

In partnership with the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) and the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC), NIJ seeks proposals for research that will provide prevalence data and research detailing the occurrence and forms of victimization experienced by American Indian (AI) and Alaska Native (AN) youth living in or near tribal communities. In particular, NIJ seeks proposals to develop and test optimum data collection procedures for self-report data on violence and victimization experienced by AI and AN youth living in tribal communities or settings. The focus of the work under this solicitation is to develop, implement, and pilot test a survey and methods for providing estimates of victimization, and to determine the feasibility of using these procedures in tribal communities and settings. To allow time for, among other things, any necessary post-award review, modification, and clearance by OJP of the proposed budget, applicants should propose an award start date of January 1, 2015.

<https://ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/sl001100.pdf>

Native Connections Grants Available Through SAMHSA

Due: Tuesday, June 17 2014

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FVPSA Tribal Funding Applications Available Now

Deadline: June 30, 2014

This announcement governs the proposed award of formula grants under the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) to Native American Tribes (including Alaska Native Villages) and Tribal organizations. The purpose of these grants is to assist Tribes in efforts to increase public awareness about, and primary and secondary prevention of family violence, domestic violence, and dating violence and to provide immediate shelter and supportive services for victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, and their dependents. This announcement sets forth the application requirements, the application process, and other administrative and fiscal requirements for grants in Fiscal Year 2014. Grantees are to be mindful that although the expenditure period for grants is a two-year period, an application is required each year to provide continuity in the provision of services. <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2014-ACF-ACYF-FVPS-0801>

Native Asset Building Initiative Administration for Children and Families - ANA — Department of Health and Human Services

Due By: July 10, 2014

Asset building is an approach to overcoming poverty that emphasizes the value of sound family budgeting, money management, savings, and investment in long term assets. The Office of Community Services (OCS) and the Administration for Native Americans (ANA) have partnered to increase access to and awareness of asset building opportunities in Native American communities. OCS and ANA are program offices within the Administration for Children and Families (ACF). OCS and ANA will accept applications to establish and administer asset building projects with a focus on Assets for Independence (AFI) projects. The AFI focus of each project requires that eligible participants are given access to matched savings accounts, called Individual Development Accounts (IDA), in which participants save earned income for the purchase of a home, for business capitalization, or to attend higher education or training. Grantees will provide an array of additional supports and services to enable low-income individuals and families to become economically self-sufficient for the long term. Additional services offered to participants may include financial literacy education, credit counseling, coaching on money management and consumer issues, business support, home ownership support services, and other supportive services that enable them to become more financially secure. The IDA portion of the project is funded by OCS. ANA funds may be used to pay for costs associated with project administration and to provide other asset-building strategies. Under the funding opportunity announcement (FOA), applicants will submit 1 application that identifies a single work plan and 2 budgets, that is, a budget for each award. Successful applicants will receive an OCS-AFI award and an ANA-SEDS award.

<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2014-ACF-ANA-NO-0786>

National Association of Social Workers (NASW) CA Birdwoman Native American Social Work Student Scholarship Applications Open

Due By: August 31, 2014. Applicants will be notified in September 2014.

NASW CA will provide up to ten \$1,000 scholarships to Native American undergraduate or graduate social work students in California. This is the second year of the program and previous awardees are not eligible to apply. Graduate and undergraduate students must be enrolled in a Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) accredited school of social work in California. If applying as an undergraduate, you must be in your senior year with a declared social work major.

Please complete the application form at

<http://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/1615577/Native-American-Social-Work-Student-Scholarship-Application>

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Email the following attachments to naswca@naswca.org: 1) Tribal ID; 2) Transcript with evidence of enrollment and degree program. Please have 2 letters of recommendations emailed to naswca@naswca.org.

Documents can also be faxed to (916) 442-2075 or mailed to NASW, 1016 23rd St, Sacramento CA 95816. Questions? Contact NASW at naswca@naswca.org