

Understanding Trauma and the Importance of Providing Trauma-Informed Services

October 16, 2017

Holiday Inn by the Bay

Portland, Maine

8:30 am – 4:00 pm

October 17, 2017

Penobscot Judicial Center

Bangor, Maine

8:30 am – 4:00 pm



This day-long, grant funded educational program is offered at no charge and by invitation only to rostered CADRES and FDP mediators, CASA guardians ad litem, rostered guardians ad litem, Maine Judicial Branch rostered court interpreters, and court clerks and other personnel. To make it more widely accessible, the same one-day program will be held in Portland and in Bangor. Continuing education credits are available.

This program is designed to improve our understanding of the long-term and short-term psychological effects of trauma on children and common behaviors of adults who have experienced trauma. The program will inform our professional responses and help us avoid “compassion fatigue” as we provide effective services to all court-involved individuals.

Featured Presenters:

- **Rachel White Domain, JD**, Policy Director for the National Center on Domestic Violence, Trauma & Mental Health. Her policy work includes analyzing the impact of the mental health and legal systems on survivors of domestic violence who experience mental health and substance use conditions and psychiatric disability, and advocating for more trauma-informed and accessible system responses.
- **Heather C. Forkey, MD**, Assistant Director of Foster Children Evaluation Services (FaCES) and an attending pediatrician with the Child Protection Program, both at UMass Memorial Children’s Medical Center. She is also an Assistant Professor at the University of Massachusetts Medical School.

Breakout Session Leaders (in addition to Featured Presenters):

- **Sue Mackey Andrews**, Co-founder and co-facilitator of the Maine Resilience Building Network (MRBN), composed of cross-sector partners including tribal, state and community agencies and members working to advance the understanding of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) in Maine and to promote resilience in children, families and our communities.
- **Allegra Hirsh-Wright, LCSW, RYT**, Training Manager for the Department of Clinical Innovation at Maine Behavioral Healthcare. She manages the development and dissemination of training curricula for all projects within the Department and is a nationally certified TF-CBT Clinician and Clinical Supervisor with specific expertise in the areas of secondary trauma, self-care and resilience. Allegra also teaches as an adjunct professor in the School of Social Work at the University of Southern Maine.
- **Chris Marot, Esq.**, and colleagues from Pine Tree Legal Assistance. Chris Marot is a staff attorney at Pine Tree Legal Assistance, focusing on family law and holistic assistance to Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault victims. Chris has developed a special emphasis on working with immigrant survivors of abuse in Protection Order, Family Law, and crime-related immigration cases. He is a graduate of the University of Maine School of Law and the 2014 recipient of the Frank Coffin Family Law Fellowship based at Pine Tree Legal Assistance.

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REGISTRATION

Program space is limited, and registrations will be processed on a first come, first served basis. In the event that you register, but are unable to attend the program, please email or call your program administrator as soon as possible so that a person on the waiting list may be included.

Your registration materials are attached in a fillable PDF and may be submitted via email to 2017registration@courts.maine.gov or by mail to:

**Administrative Office of the Courts
Attention: Jodi Kimball
171 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333**

**YOUR REGISTRATION IS DUE BY OCTOBER 2, 2017, at 4:00 PM.
You will receive an email confirmation of your registration.**

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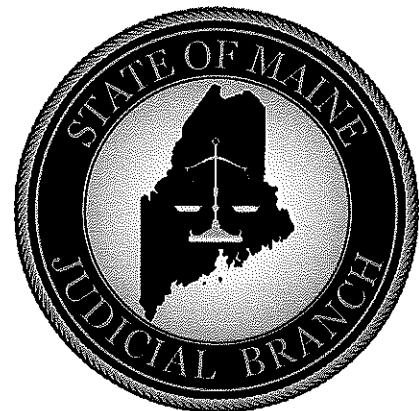
1. Download the attached Registration form, which is a fillable PDF;
2. Enter text into the applicable input fields on the form;
3. Save the completed form to your computer, using your name as the new file name; and
4. Attach the new PDF document from your computer to your email message and send to:
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SUMMARY OF PROGRAM AGENDA

8:00 am Registration and coffee
8:55 am Rachel White-Domain, featured presenter
10:30 am Break
10:45 am Dr. Heather Forkey, featured presenter

Noon LUNCH ON YOUR OWN (no lunch provided)

1:00 pm Separate breakout sessions for clerks, GALs, interpreters, and mediators
2:15 pm Break
2:30 pm Separate breakout sessions for clerks, GALs, interpreters, and mediators
3:45 pm Evaluations and closing



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