

EMPOWERING FUTURES



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2024 NJJA CONFERENCE
KEARNEY, NEBRASKA | YOUNES CONFERENCE CENTER

MAY 1-3, 2024

Agenda: Day 1

Time	Room	Title/Topic	Speaker	Approved Credits
9:00-10:00am	Lobby	Registration		
10:00-10:15am	Crystal 1 & 2	Welcome & Opening Remarks		
10:15-11:45 am	Crystal 1 & 2	KEYNOTE - Be the Difference: Your Commitment to Belonging Changes Lives	Gaelin Elmore	TBA
12:00 - 1:00 pm	Diamond 4 & 5	Lunch - Exhibits Open		
1:00-1:15 pm	Crystal 3 & 4	Break - Exhibits Open/Networking		
BREAKOUT SESSION A 1:15 - 2:30 pm	Diamond 1	Erasing the Gap: Why Belonging Matters!	Gaelin Elmore	TBA
	Diamond 2	The Impact of Brain Injury on Justice-Involved Youth	Peggy Reisher, Dennis Marks	TBA
	Diamond 3	Dual-System Youth: How We "Role" Together for Youth and Families	Amy Latshaw, KaCee Zimmerman	TBA
	Diamond 6	Project Review: Tribal Response and Resources for Human Trafficking Victims in Nebraska	Kirby Williams, Misty Flowers	TBA
	Crystal 1 & 2	Building Pathways for Families to High-Risk Youth to Reach Their Full Potential	Alisa Parmer, Nick Juliano	TBA
2:30 - 3:00 pm	Crystal 3 & 4	Break - Exhibits Open/Networking		
BREAKOUT SESSION B 3:00 - 4:15 pm	Diamond 1	Addressing Chronic Absenteeism through Restorative Practices	Nicole Britten, Brian Welch, Shirley Vargas	TBA
	Diamond 2	Connecting Through Conflict	Miranda Stoll	TBA
	Diamond 3	A Balancing Act: Engaging Parents and Caregivers while Supporting Youth	Brianna Mumm, Kim Teegerstrom	TBA
	Diamond 6	Skills and Techniques in School Truancy Reduction	Steve Snodgrass	TBA
	Crystal 1 & 2	Centering Youth Voice in Youth Justice Spaces	Monica Miles-Steffens, Mark Kiepke, KaCee Zimmerman, Shalya Trausch	TBA
4:30 - 6:00 pm	Crystal 1 & 2	Diversion Meeting		

Agenda: Day 2

Time	Room	Title/Topic	Speaker	Approved Credits
8:00 - 8:30 am	Lobby	Registration / Exhibits Open		
8:30 - 10:00 am	Ruby 6 & 7	Youth Day Registration/Kickoff		
8:30 - 8:45 am	Crystal 1 & 2	Welcome & Opening Remarks		
8:45 - 10:15 am	Crystal 1 & 2	KEYNOTE: Online Safety in a Modern World Through the Eyes of a Survivor	Alicia Kozak	TBA
10:15 - 10:30 am	Crystal 3 & 4	Break - Exhibits Open/Networking		
BREAKOUT SESSION C 10:30-11:45am	Diamond 1	Lessons Learned from 10-Years of a Crossover Youth Practice Model Site through and Implementation Science Lens	Shawne Johnson, Nick Juliano, Ryan Spohn	TBA
	Diamond 2	Inspiring Hope in Justice Involved Individuals - Case Management Strategies for Decreasing Suicide Risk	Lindsay Meyer, Erin Curran	TBA
	Diamond 3	Call me Nanny McPhee!	Crystal Rush Cardenas	TBA
	Diamond 6	Prevalence and Trends Observed in Youth Data	Betty Jean Usher-Tate	TBA
	Crystal 1 & 2	Implementation Science and Leadership to Support Juvenile Justice Change	Amoreena Brady	TBA
12:00pm-1:00pm	Diamond 4 & 5	Awards Luncheon		
1:00 - 1:15 pm	Crystal 3 & 4	Break - Exhibits Open / Networking		
BREAKOUT SESSION D 1:15pm-2:30pm	Diamond 1	Support for LGBTQ youth in Nebraska High Schools	Christina Sogar, Chelsea Feusner, Martonia Gaskill	TBA
	Diamond 2	Moving to With: How Restorative Practice can Transform Relationships	Anne Hobbs, Monica Miles-Steffens	TBA
	Diamond 3	"Supporting and Maintaining the Innocence of Children of Color"	LeLlynda Briggs-Linstadt, Teffany Ulrich	TBA
	Diamond 6	Using Hope to Drive Positive Outcomes for Youth and Families	Scott Butler, Liz Bartels	TBA
	Crystal 1 & 2	Mentoring in New Dimensions (MIND): The Potential Impact of a Culturally Relevant Approach to Mentoring Program Design	Kris Whisenhunt, Lawrence Chatters, Ph.D., KB Mensah	TBA
2:30pm-3:00pm	Crystal 3 & 4	Break - Exhibits Open / Networking		
BREAKOUT SESSION E 3:00pm-4:15pm	Diamond 1	Expectation: Attendance is Mandatory. Reality: Life happens. Youth perspectives on chronic absenteeism and truancy petitions in Nebraska	Katie Nungesser	TBA
	Diamond 2	Lead the Change You Want to See: Turning Ideas into Practice	Monica Miles-Steffens, Maeve Hemmer	TBA
	Diamond 3	Serving Street Gang Involved Youth	Diante Jones	TBA
	Diamond 6	The Youth Perspective	Lincoln Arneal, Michalya Stawniak, Karolina Yoder	TBA
	Crystal 1 & 2	Wellbeing at Work	Nicole Deere-Andersen, Cassandra Dittmer	TBA
3:00-4:30pm	Ruby	Youth Reception (Youth Only)		
4:30-6:00pm	Diamond 4, 5, 9, 10	Networking Reception		

Agenda: Day 3

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8:00-8:15am	Lobby	Registration		
8:15 - 8:30	Crystal 1 & 2	Youth Kickoff		
8:30-9:45am	Crystal 1 & 2	KEYNOTE - Trafficking, Trauma, Resiliency and Evidence-based Hope	Judge Robert Lung	TBA
9:45-10:00am	Crystal 3 & 4	Break		
10:00-12:00pm	Crystal 1 & 2	KEYNOTE - Practical Practices to be Trauma-Informed	Judge Robert Lung	TBA
12:00pm-12:15pm	Crystal 1 & 2	Closing Remarks		