



MICHIGAN SUPREME COURT
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Symposium on Effective Judging

November 4-5, 2009
Michigan Hall of Justice
Lansing, Michigan

Symposium Description

A tremendous opportunity exists for judges to respond positively to the critically unmet needs of the individuals appearing before them; needs that appear to respond favorably to techniques that have already been successfully used in many problem-solving courts. Expanding the use of these techniques into other courts and making their use more widespread has great promise. The Michigan Judicial Institute (MJI) is pleased to offer a two-day symposium for judges interested in enhancing their judicial skills, with sessions tailored to meet the needs of judges who want to focus on process as well as outcome.

Symposium Plenary Topics:

- Making a Difference
- Being an Effective Jurist
- Research Results of Evidence-Based Practices
- Understanding Neurobiology, Addiction and Criminality
- Co-Occurring Disorders
- Screening and Assessment
- Establishing and Managing a Problem-Solving Court
- Treatment Continuum and Accessing Public Funding

Symposium Workshops:

- Effectively Using Graduated Incentives and Sanctions
- Families with Addiction
- Leadership and Team Building
- Traditional Pre-Sentence Investigations (PSI) versus PSIs with Risk Assessment
- Drug Court Case Management System (DCCMIS) Evaluation and Cost-Assessment Tools

Participant Eligibility

Due to symposium design and content, symposium attendance is limited to judges.

Symposium Schedule and Offerings

November 4		November 5			
8:30-9:00	Registration	8:30-9:00	Registration and Continental Breakfast		
9:00-9:45	Being a Judge: Making a Difference	9:00-10:30	Establishing and Managing a Specialty Court		
9:45-10:20	Innovation and the Trial Court Judge	10:40-12:10	Treatment Continuum and Accessing Public Funding		
10:30-12:00	Research Results of Evidence-Based Practices				
Noon	Group Lunch	12:10	Group Lunch		
1:00-2:30	Understanding Neurobiology of Addiction and Criminality	1:00-2:30	Effectively Using Graduated Incentives and Sanctions	Families with Addiction	***1:00-4:10*** Leadership and Team Building for Judges
2:40-3:20	Co-Occurring Disorders	2:40-4:10	Traditional PSIs v PSIs with Risk Assessment	Drug Court Cost Assessment Tools: New and Existing Evaluation and Cost-Assessment Tools	
3:30-5:00	Screening and Assessment	4:10	Seminar Evaluation and Adjourn		
5:00	Adjourn				

Registration Procedure

The Michigan Judicial Institute is pleased to offer online registration. Please go to the following link to register: <http://courts.michigan.gov/MjiOnline> and use the invitation code: **7A4558**. *Each attendee must register.*

In recognition of docket demands and varying educational needs, judges may register to attend one or both days of the symposium and on the afternoon of day two, select from two of the five simultaneous sessions offered.

If you have questions about registering electronically, please contact Susan Artman at (517) 373-7229.

Lodging

MJI will provide double-occupancy lodging at the **Lexington Lansing Hotel** (formerly the Sheraton Lansing Hotel) on November 3 and 4 for participants whose court is located more than 65 miles from the HOJ.

A participant requesting a single room is responsible for the additional lodging room cost (approximately \$38.00 per night, plus applicable taxes). Please make the appropriate lodging request when you e-register. Facility space constraints do not allow MJJ to make any arrangements for lodging of spouses, family, or friends of symposium participants.

Meals

Participants will be provided with refreshments and a group luncheon on both days of the symposium. A continental breakfast will be provided on day two of the symposium. All other meals and incidental expenditures, including mileage, telephone calls, entertainment, etc., are the responsibility of each individual or his/her funding unit.

Persons with Disabilities

The Michigan Hall of Justice accommodates persons with disabilities. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please indicate your needs when you e-register.

Confirmation

Registrants selected for attendance will be e-mailed an individual confirmation letter and other pertinent information following the registration deadline. If you do not receive a confirmation e-mail at least one week prior to the symposium date, please contact the Michigan Judicial Institute.

Questions

If you have questions concerning the symposium or the registration process, please contact:

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**REGISTRATION DEADLINE:
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2009**

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