



Beyond Trauma, Shifting to the Positive
Monday, October 7

7:00 am - 5:00 pm **CONFERENCE REGISTRATION & INFORMATION**
Fitzgerald West Foyer, Plaza Level

7:30 am -8:30 am **BREAKFAST**
Warfields Ballroom, Plaza Level

8:45 am -9:00 am **WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS**
*Honorable William Tucker, Circuit Court for Howard County
Juvenile Law Committee Chair*

*Honorable Julia Minner, Circuit Court for Frederick County
Foster Care Court Improvement Program (FCCIP) Subcommittee Chair*

*Honorable Lara Weathersbee, Circuit Court for Howard County
Juvenile Justice Subcommittee Chair*

*Honorable Yolanda Tanner, Circuit Court for Baltimore City
Child Welfare Education Workgroup Chair*
Fitzgerald B & C, Plaza Level

9:00 am-10:00 am **KEYNOTE/OPENING SPEAKER**
Balancing a Life on the Scales of Justice: Health and Wellbeing for the 21st Century Judge
*Honorable Janice M. Rosa, J.S.C. (New York, ret.)
New York State Unified Court System*
Fitzgerald B & C, Plaza Level



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- 10:15 am –11:15 am **PLENARY SESSION I**
Our Teens in Crisis: Let’s Talk About Adolescent Mental Health
Dr. Kathleen Kruse
Nyman Family Unit Child & Adolescent Mental Health & Wellness
C.S. Mott Children’s Hospital Michigan Medicine
[Fitzgerald B & C, Plaza Level](#)
- 11:15 am -11:30 am **CONFERENCE BREAK & NETWORKING**
[Fitzgerald North Foyer, Plaza Level](#)
- 11:30 am -12:30 pm **PLENARY SESSION II**
What’s New at the Department of Human Services
Secretary Rafael López
Department of Human Services
[Fitzgerald B & C, Plaza Level](#)
- 12:30 pm-1:15 pm **LUNCH**
[Warfields Ballroom, Plaza Level](#)
- 1:30 pm-2:30 pm **PLENARY SESSION III**
Understanding and Implementing Trauma Responsive Practice in Child Welfare: Key Findings and Strategies
Alicia Summers, PhD, Data Savvy Consulting
Eva Klain, JD, American Bar Association
[Fitzgerald B & C, Plaza Level](#)
- 2:30 pm-2:45 pm **JURISDICTIONAL PROGRAM DEMONSTRATION I**
Prince George’s County Youth Experiencing Success (Y.E.S.) Center
Honorable Althea Stewart Jones
Circuit Court for Prince George’s County
[Fitzgerald B & C, Plaza Level](#)



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2:50 pm -3:50 pm **BREAK OUT SESSIONS ROUND ONE**

1. Medication for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD)

Eric Weintraub, MD

Director, Division of Addiction Research & Treatment

University of Maryland, School of Medicine

[Owens Amphitheater, Second Level](#)

2. “No Such Thing As A Bad Kid!”-Reshaping the Lives of At-Risk Youth Using a Positive, Trauma-Informed, Strength-Based Approach. Part I

Charles Appelstein, MSW, Appelstein Training Resources

[Fitzgerald B & C, Plaza Level](#)

3. Nuts & Bolts of Child In Need of Assistance (CINA)

Family Magistrate Neeta Kataria,

Circuit Court for Baltimore City

[Fitzgerald A North, Plaza Level](#)

4. Trauma and Empathy Within Our System-Considerations, Current Programs, and What’s Needed Next- Part I

Colleen Bokman, LCSW-C, LICSW, LCSW, Colleen Bokman, LLC

Dara Kruman, LCSW-C, Tree House of Child Advocacy Center

Jessica Lertora, MSW, LCSW-C, IMH-E, Frederick County Safe Babies

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3:50 pm-4:00 pm **CONFERENCE BREAK & NETWORKING**

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4:00 pm -5:00 pm

BREAK OUT SESSIONS ROUND TWO

1. Medication for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD)

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University of Maryland, School of Medicine

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2. “No Such Thing As A Bad Kid!”-Reshaping the Lives of At-Risk Youth Using a Positive, Trauma-Informed, Strength-Based Approach-Part 2

Charles Appelstein, MSW, Appelstein Training Resources

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3. Nuts & Bolts of Delinquency

Magistrate Mary O’Donnell

Circuit Court for Dorchester County

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4. Trauma and Empathy Within Our System-Considerations, Current Programs, and What’s Needed Next- Part 2

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5:15 pm

Juvenile Law Committee Meeting- Committee members

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5:30 pm

DINNER

[Warfields Ballroom, Plaza Level](#)

7:00 pm

Optional: Film & Discussion- “Daughter of a Lost Bird”

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Tuesday, October 8

- 7:00 am - 4:00 pm **CONFERENCE REGISTRATION & INFORMATION**
Fitzgerald West Foyer, Plaza Level
- 7:30 am - 8:30 am **BREAKFAST**
Warfields Ballroom, Plaza Level
- 8:30 am - 9:30 am **OPENING PLENARY**
Case Law & Legislative Updates (State and Federal)
Honorable Theresa M. Adams, Senior Judge
Circuit Court for Frederick County
Foster Care Court Improvement Program Subcommittee Member
- Ann Sheridan, Assistant Attorney General*
Maryland Office of the Attorney General
Child Welfare Education Workgroup, Member
Fitzgerald B & C, Plaza Level
- 9:30 am - 9:45 am **JURISDICTIONAL PROGRAM DEMONSTRATION II**
Maryland Court Appointed Special Advocates
Erica Byrne, LCSW-C, Executive Director
Voices of Children, Howard County
- Jennifer Stine, LMSW, Executive Director*
CASA of Baltimore County, Inc.
Fitzgerald B & C, Plaza Level
- 9:45 am - 10:45 am **PLENARY SESSION FOUR**
What's New at the Department of Juvenile Services (DJS)
Secretary Vincent Schiraldi
Department of Juvenile Services
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- 10:45 am -11:00 am **CONFERENCE BREAK & NETWORKING**
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- 11:00 am -11:15 am **JURISDICTIONAL PROGRAM DEMONSTRATION III**
Howard Community College Project Elevate
Dr. Daria Willis
President, Howard Community College
- Stephanie Wall, MS*
Chief of Staff & Special Projects, Howard Community College
[Fitzgerald B & C, Plaza Level](#)
- 11:15 am -12:00 pm **PLENARY SESSION FIVE**
QiGong for Judicial Wellness
Dr. Shawna Murray-Browne, LCSW-C
Kindred Wellness, LLC
[Fitzgerald B & C, Plaza Level](#)
- 12:00 pm -1:00 pm **LUNCH**
[Warfields Ballroom, Plaza Level](#)
- 1:00 pm -1:30 pm **PROGRAM PARTICIPANT REFLECTIONS**
Better Together Program
Natasha Khalfani, Attorney
Better Together Program, Office of the Public Defender
- LaWanda Dandridge*
Better Together Program Participant
- Facilitator: Honorable Julia Minner, Circuit Court for Frederick County
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1:45 pm - 2:45 pm **BREAK OUT SESSIONS ROUND THREE**

- 1. Justice With Compassion: Understanding and Healing Intergenerational Trauma-**
*Shawna Murray-Browne, PhD, LCSW-C, Principal Consultant
Kindred Wellness, LLC
Duncan Room, Second Level*
- 2. Competency/Competency Attainment (One Time)**
*Michael Guilbault, PhD
Director of Juvenile Forensics*

*Amanda Square, MD
Director of Adolescent Services, Spring Grove
Fitzgerald B & C, Plaza Level*
- 3. Social Services Administration (SSA) Spotlight**
*Dr. Alger Studstill, Executive Director
Social Services Administration
Maryland Department of Human Services
Owens Amphitheater, Second Level*
- 4. Nuts and Bolts of Termination of Parental Rights (TPR)**
*Honorable Troy K. Hill
Circuit Court for Baltimore City*

*Family Magistrate Sidney J. Francois
Circuit Court for Baltimore County
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2:45 pm –3:00 pm **CONFERENCE BREAK & NETWORKING**
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3:00 pm - 4:00 pm **BREAK OUT SESSIONS ROUND FOUR**

- 1. Justice With Compassion: Understanding and Healing Intergenerational Trauma-**
*Shawna Murray-Browne, PhD, LCSW-C, Principal Consultant
Kindred Wellness, LLC*
[Duncan Room, Second Level](#)
- 2. Department Juvenile Service (DJS) Spotlight**
*Kara Aanenson, Director
Legislation, Policy, and Reform
Maryland Department of Juvenile Services*
[Fitzgerald B & C, Plaza Level](#)
- 3. Social Services Administration (SSA) Spotlight**
*Dr. Alger Studstill, Executive Director
Social Services Administration
Maryland Department of Human Services*
[Owens Amphitheater, Second Level](#)
- 4. Court Reflections & Experiences- APPLA & TPR Matters**
*Honorable Larnzell Martin, Senior Judge
Circuit Court for Prince George's County*

*Honorable Yolanda Tanner
Circuit Court for Baltimore City*

*Dr. Corey Shdaimah, LL.M.
University of Maryland School of Social Work*

*Linda-Jeanne Mack, MSW, LICSW
University of Maryland, School of Social Work*
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Thanks for Coming!



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Access to Justice

Maggie Cao and Kimberly Alvarez

Better Together Program

Natasha Khalfani and Amber Dortch

Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)

CASA Program Volunteers

Lead4Life, Inc.

Chelse King and Raven James

Mediation and Conflict Resolution Office (MACRO)

Jennifer Williams

Problem-Solving Courts

Jewel Johnson and Brenda Stansbury



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Juvenile Family Services Staff*

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