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THE ABA COUNCIL ON RACIAL AND ETHNIC JUSTICE



Presents

"The Juvenile Justice System Youth, Drugs and Mental Illness Resources and Policies: Identification Of Reforms Needed To Eliminate Discrimination Disparities"

Co-Sponsors: ABA Judicial Division, ABA Standing Committee on Substance Abuse, Cook County Bar Association, Illinois Coalition Affiliate of the National African American Drug Policy Coalition, Inc., Access to Racial and Cultural Health Institute and Northwestern University Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences

Three dynamic panels comprised of national experts will discuss key issues affecting youth of color in the juvenile justice system. Our goal is to disseminate knowledge to conference participants on proven effective strategies along with a sampling of model projects/programs and evidence-based best practices that have been implemented successfully throughout the country.

Join us to discuss the concrete strategies and documented best practices for resolving key issues that continue to prevent youth involved with the juvenile justice system from receiving the mental health and substance abuse assessment and treatment services they need.

This three-part program will focus on youth of color, the impact of specific drug and mental health laws and policies that contribute to the overrepresentation of youth of color in the juvenile justice system along with recommendations for more effective laws and policies that reflect a community-centered, public health approach.

We will highlight model programs that demonstrate successful multi-government agency and community partnerships that have increased access to mental health and substance abuse assessment and treatment resources for our target population.

ABA ANNUAL MEETING
THURSDAY, JULY 30, 2009
8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Swissotel
Grand Ballroom II and III, Ballroom Level
Chicago, IL
(Continental Breakfast Will Be Served)

Please RSVP immediately and reserve your seat by contacting Rachel Patrick, 312.988.5408 or patrickr@staff.abanet.org.

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