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NEWS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Legislative Update: On June 28, 2011, Ohio House Bill 64 (H.B. 64) became law. October 17, 2011 is the effective date of the new code sections impacted by H.B. 64. Once this law takes effect, Spice, also known as K2, will become a Schedule I controlled substance and the possession of or trafficking in Spice will be a violation of Ohio Revised Code.

In addition, if Spice is used in the offense of "corrupting another with drugs" under O.R.C. 2925.02 the penalty will be the same as if marijuana was used in the offense (F-4, or if in a school zone F-3). The chemical compounds related to K2 or Spice are listed under the Schedule I substances in O.R.C. 3719.41(C)(35) – (39).

In addition to criminalizing K2/Spice and conduct related to it, H.B. 64 added the six synthetic derivatives of cathinone that have been found in bath salts to the Schedule I controlled substances as a hallucinogen under O.R.C. 3719.41(C)(40) – (45).

H.B. 64 also added a definition of a "controlled substance analog," O.R.C. 3719.01(HH)(1) and treats controlled substance analogs the same as Schedule I controlled substances, O.R.C. 3719.013. Keep in mind this bill does not take effect until October 17, 2011, but at that time K2,

Spice and bath salts will be controlled substances under Ohio law.

NCJA Offers Support for Pill Mill Bill:

NCJA has offered support for a bill which seeks to crack down on pill mills, pain management clinics that illegally distribute narcotic drugs. The bipartisan bill, H.R. 1065, is sponsored by Rep. Vern Buchanan (R-FL) and Rep. Edward Markey (D-MA) and co-sponsored by 57 members from both parties. The bill would increase prison terms and fines for pill mill operators; allow seized assets from illegal operators to be used for state prescription drug monitoring programs, drug treatment, and community mental health services; and, change the classification for certain addictive pain drugs.

In a press statement released by Rep. Markey, NCJA President Kristen Mahoney said, "The Buchanan-Markey bill provides the back-up that state and local law enforcement needs in the ongoing battle against the prescription drug abuse epidemic. That epidemic is responsible for the deaths of 20,000 Americans each year and puts countless more on the path to long-term drug abuse. By supporting state programs that prevent and detect illicit drug activity, this common sense legislation will help save the lives of our children, neighbors, and friends across the country."

To view the press release: http://markey.house.gov/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=4421&Itemid=141

Ohio Juvenile Civil Protection Order - Frequently Asked Questions: Am. Sub. House Bill 10 of the 128th General Assembly, also known as the Shynerra Grant Law, was enacted on March 17, 2010. This law authorizes common pleas courts with juvenile jurisdiction to issue and enforce civil protection orders against juveniles under 18 years of age. The breadth of the new law has raised a myriad of questions, which have been compiled and answered by the Supreme Court's Domestic Violence Program staff.

This document was created to provide courts issuing and enforcing juvenile civil protection orders a starting point for their own analysis. The points of view in this document are those of the authors and may not represent the official policies or positions of the Supreme Court of Ohio.

To view document: http://www.supremecourtfohio.gov/JCS/domesticViolence/protection_forms/juvenileForms/FAQ.pdf

TRAINING/RESOURCES

Free Grant Writing Seminars: OCJS is hosting free Grant Writing seminars in 2011. OCJS's grant trainings provide an overview of identifying grant sources, analyzing program objectives, creating a budget, seeking letters of support, and writing proposals. Federal and state grants available to criminal justice professionals are discussed. Attendees also receive the OCJS publication, *Grant Writing: Identifying and Applying for*

Funding in a Competitive Market. Grantwriting 101 trainings take place on the following dates: **August 18, September 22, October 12, November 7 and December 14**. Please visit http://www.ocjs.ohio.gov/GrantTraining_2011.pdf to view class titles.

Specialized Grant trainings for the remainder of the year are: *Designing an Effective Evaluation Strategy (October 12)*.

All trainings are held from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Ohio Department of Public Safety's Motorcycle Classroom, located at 1970 W. Broad St., Columbus, on the first floor. To download and print a training registration form, visit: http://publicsafety.ohio.gov/links/ocjs_TrainingForm.pdf

TRAINING/RESOURCES CONT.

The National Summit on Interpersonal Violence Across the Lifespan:

September 11-13 in San Diego, California

This Summit seeks to support and encourage collaboration between practice-informed research and research-informed practice by expanding networks and partnership in ending interpersonal violence. The Summit takes the form of additional “tracks” at the conference during the first 2 ½ Conference days. In this Summit, researchers and practitioners will come together in integrating substance abuse and other issues of violence, abuse and trauma to better inform research, practice, and policy. These sessions are particularly integrated in these aspects.

There is a pressing need for professionals in the fields of public health, violence, abuse, and trauma to be aware of substance abuse in terms of behavior, but also its developmental impact, prevention, and treatment considerations. Drug abuse is not only implicated in interpersonal relationships, but its impact on the home, community, and justice system demonstrates the strong need for empirical support, evidence-based approaches, and promising practices for addressing substance abuse.

Addressing substance abuse collaboratively and innovatively creates an opportunity to address not only improving the health of the individual,

but the overall health and safety of the public. When we work together, we further our understanding the extent to which these issues intersect and impact violence, abuse and trauma. The NPEIV looks forward to your attendance and support!

Registration

Brochure<<https://custom.cvent.com/AD9BA779669E4659BC7FE790F5969D04/files/635c9a31becc4425b2b7ec0d424c8d2f.pdf>>

EARLY REGISTRATION RATES & POSTER SUBMISSIONS TO END JULY 31, 2011

REGISTER NOW: HERE<<http://www.cvent.com/events/16th-international-conference-on-violence-abuse-and-trauma-the-2011-national-summit-to-end-interpers/event-summary-b158699ed7024b46993d447ae637611c.aspx>>
Or go to www.IVATCenters.org

Poster submission: http://ivat-centers.org/2011ICcallforSubmission_PosterInsert.asp

Victim Awareness Facilitator Training:

The Office of Victim Services will be conducting the Victim Awareness Facilitator Training in Cleveland, Ohio. The Victim Awareness Program is an evidence-based program that provides an opportunity for offenders to begin to see crime from a different perspective: from the perspective of the victim. The approved curriculum examines various crimes and looks at the dynamics of each crime and the effects crime has on victims. This training is a 40-hour training and all participants must attend all five days to receive a certificate of completion from the Office of Victim Services.

Who Should Attend: All those interested in facilitating the Victim Awareness Program. Community partners are welcome to attend!

Training Location:

North Star Resource Center, 1834 E. 55th Street, Cleveland, OH

Training Dates:

August 24, 25, 26, 29 and 30

For more information: call 1.888.VICTIM4 or contact Roxanne Swogger at 614.752.1141 or email Roxanne.swogger@odrc.state.oh.us

GRANTS/FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Developing a Method for Conducting an Internal Evaluation of Gender-Informed Policy and Practice:

The National Institute of Corrections (NIC) is seeking applications from organizations, groups, or individuals to enter into a cooperative agreement for an 18-month period to develop and pilot a methodology for correctional organizations to conduct an internal evaluation of their current policy and practice for working with women offenders. This methodology must cover a broad range of domains, such as leadership, external collaboration, management and operations, sanctions, assessment and case planning, and programs and services. The methodology must be concise but informative enough to be used by an organization with an understanding of evidence-based practices that incorporate gender-informed research and information. Additional consideration may be given to an applicant who can incorporate into the methodology those elements applicable to institutional and community corrections environments. The methodology should also include supplemental information that addresses an organization’s readiness for change and a template that will help organizations initiate an internal strategic planning process. This award will also cover

the piloting of the methodology, which should include both onsite work and use of web-based technology, post-pilot revisions to the methodology based on feedback, and a design for conducting a process evaluation to measure the efficacy of the methodology.

The goal of this solicitation is to create and provide a methodology for organizations to (1) conduct an abbreviated internal evaluation of their policies and practices specific to women and (2) begin to plan strategically to initiate the type of change required within their agency to reach their desired objectives. Information gathered by organizations using this methodology could also form the basis for resource requests from funding entities, formulation of technical assistance requests to external sources, and a vehicle to advance internal quality assurance.

The awardee will work closely with designated NIC staff on all aspects of the project to ensure understanding of and agreement on the scope of work to be performed, and to work with other identified experts as well who are recognized for their expertise and practical experience in working with justice-involved women. To be considered, applicants must

demonstrate, at a minimum: In-depth knowledge of research and practice regarding gender-informed (women) and evidence-based practices, organizational readiness, strategic planning, and process evaluation; In-depth knowledge of the practices, programs, and complexities specific to the operation of women’s correctional facilities and awareness of the issues relevant to women on community release and under supervision; In-depth knowledge about the risks, needs, strengths, and capacity for resiliency with justice-involved women; Specific examples of expertise in directing project design and implementation; Demonstrated ability to work collaboratively with other experts in the field of gender-informed practices; Ability and capacity to conduct web-based events.

For additional details, visit: <http://www.grants.gov/search/?search.do;jsessionid=3PdKtpTjQ5sTS6gyMYtf7YCB16XcG6y3LJw7Fw1JvC1zCmGKw2P!1166104791?oppId=106433&mode=VIEW>

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