# 25th Annual Juvenile Delinquency & Child Welfare Law Conference 2024

The Juvenile Court & substance use: moving from stigma to strength

Addiction is now understood by medical professionals to be a disease which changes the structure and functioning of the brain. And yet, there is still a public narrative of shame and blame that attaches itself to substance use. It is time to move from stigma to strength—in our practices, at our offices, and in our courts. Join us for a day of learning, brainstorming, and reframing about the biological basis of addiction, how to build a community that supports recovery, and what each one of us can do in our own roles to achieve our joint goal that every child, young adult, and parent is well.

\*If you are registering as part of the Court Improvement Fund allocation, please register using the process outlined by your institution.\*

Note: In-person attendance is capped for this Conference! Book now to guarantee your seat!

# **Agenda**

- The Biological Basis of Addiction as a Disease, its Connection to Trauma, and the Importance of a Systems Approach
- · Supporting Families In and Through Recovery
- The Intersection of Trauma and Substance Use: Lessons in Supporting Youth
- Recent Developments and Case Law Update
- Customizing a Success Plan With Your Clients

# **Faculty**

Cristina F. Freitas, Esq., Freitas & Freitas LLP, Lowell, Cochair

Debbie F. Freitas, Esq., Freitas & Freitas LLP, Lowell, Cochair

Dr. Ruth A. Potee, MD Medical Director, Franklin County House of Corrections, Featured Speaker

Hon, Kerry Ann Ahern, First Justice, Essex Juvenile Court, Commonwealth of Massachusetts

 ${\it Michael Earielo}, {\it Program Director, Every day Miracles Peer Recovery Center, Worcester}$ 

Lisa Lana, Esq., Youth Advocacy Division, Committee for Public Counsel Services, Malden

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Lisa G. Loveland, Esq., Department of Children and Families, Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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Dr. Elizabeth Peacock-Chambers, Baystate Health Systems, Inc., Springfield

Jose Sanabria, Esq., Suffolk County District Attorney's Office, Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Hon. Carol A. Shaw, Hampden County Juvenile Court, Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Dr. Stephanie Tabashneck, Esq., Psy.D., Licensed Psychologist, Wellesley Hills

Dr. Sarah Elizabeth Wakeman, Mass General Brigham, Boston

# **Dates & Locations**

Register at www.mcle.org

#### BOSTON

Friday, November 1, 2024 9:30 am-4:30 pm MCLE Conference Center 10 Winter Place, via Winter Street Program # 2250122P01

#### **LIVE WEBCAST**

Friday, November 1, 2024 9:30 am-4:30 pm Program # 2250122WBC

### **REBROADCAST ©**

Monday, November 18, 2024 9:30 am-4:30 pm Program # 2250122RB1

#### **REBROADCAST CO**

Tuesday, November 26, 2024 9:30 am-4:30 pm Program # 2250122RB2

## ON DEMAND WEBCAST CO

View after Tuesday, November 26, 2024 Program # 2250122WBA

# Tuition (includes written materials)

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- \$175.50 MCLE Sponsor Members
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# **Materials**

Massachusetts Juvenile Delinquency and Child Welfare Law Sourcebook & Citator ebook, plus speaker materials

- E-materials link emailed upon registration
- Transcript & videorecording emailed 2 weeks post-program

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