



Florida Children and Youth Cabinet Meeting July 25, 2013 Upcoming Conferences and Events



Child Protection Summit

August 28, 2013 – August 30, 2013 at the Peabody Orlando

The Department of Children and Families is pleased to announce the 13th annual Child Protection Summit, scheduled for August 28th - 30th at the Peabody Orlando. The Summit is the largest child welfare event in Florida and the Department anticipates over 2,300 child welfare professionals and related partners - including attorneys, case managers, child advocates, child protective investigators and supervisors, medical and mental health providers, child welfare trainers, court staff, foster and adoptive parents, guardians ad litem, judges, juvenile justice, law enforcement, service providers and youth.

<http://www.cvent.com/events/child-protection-summit-2013/>

2013 Human Trafficking Summit

October 3, 2013, at the University of South Florida, Marshall Student Center, in Tampa

Join the Department of Juvenile Justice and its many committed partners at Florida's second statewide Human Trafficking Summit.

Registration is now open on the summit's webpage: <http://www.djj.state.fl.us/human-trafficking-summit>

This year's summit will focus on labor and sex trafficking of both children and adults, and we're proud to offer a wide array of breakout sessions and training opportunities. We'll have profession-specific sessions tailored to professions, such as law enforcement, the legal community, service providers, the medical community, educators, and other first responders. We'll also offer more general sessions that will appeal to any member of the public.

JDAI Statewide Conference

Tentatively scheduled for October 28, 2013 – October 30, 2013 in Safety Harbor, FL

The Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI) was designed to support the Casey Foundation's vision that all youth involved in the juvenile justice system have opportunities to develop into healthy, productive adults.

"Our Children, Our Future, Restoring Hope" National Faith Symposium

November 6, 2013 – November 7, 2013 at the Rosen Plaza Hotel in Orlando

Leaders, faith and community-based volunteers, chaplains, leaders in juvenile justice and child welfare, and others interested in serving youth at risk are invited.

"Our Children, Our Future: Restoring Hope," brings together leaders of faith, child welfare, juvenile justice, and others to talk about how we work together to empower Florida's children and families and set them on a path to success. Hosted by the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice and Florida Department of Children and Families, the Symposium will present several opportunities for meaningful collaboration that can truly change lives and strengthen communities.

Community Conversations—multiple ongoing statewide

The Office of Prevention has been traveling the state to host community conversations which are designed to offer parents, youths, community advocates and juvenile justice officials the opportunity to let us know what services and resources are most needed in local communities.

Youth/Law Enforcement discussions—multiple ongoing statewide

Bridging the G.A.A.P. (Gaining Appreciation by Adjusting Perspectives) Conversations - facilitate dialogue between youth and law enforcement to promote relationship building and understanding between the two groups.