



Legal Competency and Restoration Conference for Mental Health Professionals

August 4-6, 2015
JW Marriott Camelback Inn & Resort
Scottsdale, Arizona

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Arizona law restricts the performance of court-ordered competency evaluations in criminal and juvenile cases to mental health experts who are approved by the court under court-developed guidelines. This program is designed for licensed Arizona physicians and licensed Arizona psychologists with forensic experience who seek to become court-approved evaluators in criminal and juvenile cases. Faculty include judges and mental health experts from throughout Arizona.

Dr. Jennifer Skeem, UC Berkley will provide the keynote address “What Works to Reduce Recidivism for Justice Involved People with Mental Illness.” This year’s program will feature some “basic” and “advanced” tracks to provide opportunities for attendees who have already completed the program to attend topics beyond the basics required of new providers. Advanced topics will include juvenile restoration, interplay of substance abuse & mental illness, and working with sexually violent predators. New plenary sessions will include “vicarious trauma” and “women in criminal matters.”

The program provides 21.00 hours of continuing education. Evaluators currently on a court-approved list are encouraged to attend and may be required by a local court to attend as part of the requirements to remain on the approved list. *Attendance at this program does not guarantee placement on the court-approved list of evaluators.*

Daily sign-in is required for a certificate of completion. COJET of 21 hours is for judicial officers; CE and CME of 21 hour is pending for Ph.D. and M.D. participants.

Registration preference will be given to psychiatrists and psychologists interested in conducting competency evaluations for the court. Judges and Commissioners are also encouraged to attend. Residents, graduate students and restoration specialists may register for limited seating - all for additional information.

Enrollment limited to 150- don't delay!

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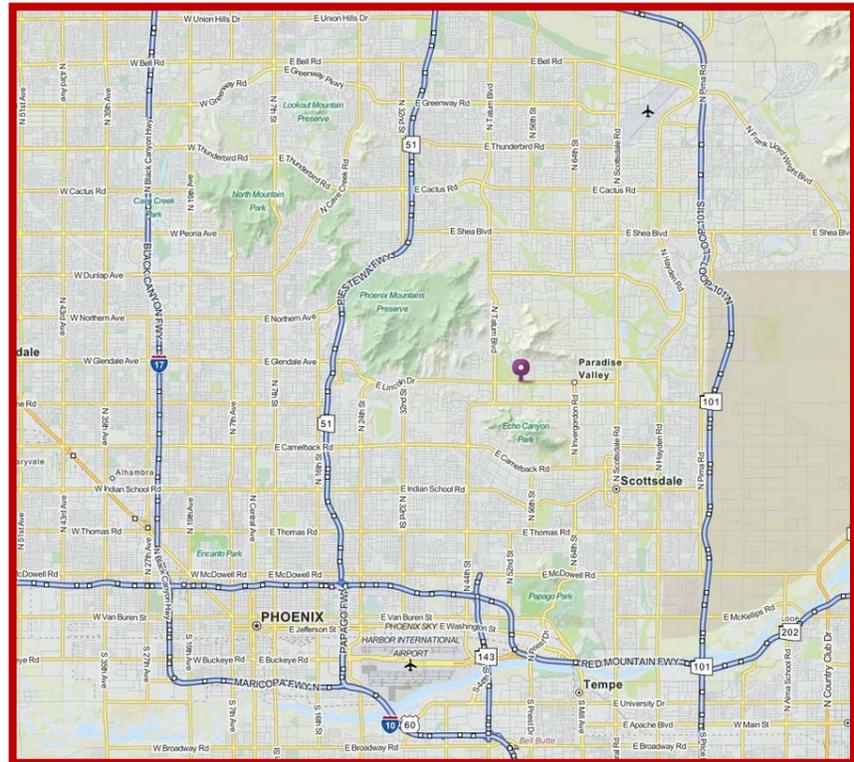
Conference Site and Lodging

The JW Marriott Camelback Inn & Spa, located 5402 E. Lincoln Drive in Scottsdale, Arizona is the site for the 2015 Legal Competency & Evaluation Conference.

A special lodging rate of \$74+tax/night is available August 1-9, 2015.

Please make your reservations directly with the hotel by **July 3, 2015** to receive this special rate. To make your reservation, please call 1-800-242-2635.

For more information about the conference site, go to: <http://goo.gl/H8RkMN>.



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Continuing Education/COJET



This event is accredited for 21.00 COJET hours for judicial officers and court staff, as well as 21.00 CLE hours for members of the State Bar who successfully complete the entire program.

This program is co-sponsored by the Arizona Psychological Association (AzPA). AzPA is approved by the American Psychological Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. AzPA maintains responsibility for this program and its content.



Participants should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

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Conference Registration

The registration fee is \$400 and includes a continental breakfast each morning, lunch daily, afternoon breaks, and a welcome reception on Monday evening; as well as conference materials.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Friday, July 3, 2015

To cancel, contact Julee Bruno at jbruno@courts.az.gov in writing. Cancellations in writing by July 3, 2015 are subject to a 25% administrative fee. There are no refunds for cancellations after July 3, 2015

To register for the conference, go to

<https://legalcompetencyconference.eventbrite.com>

Special Accommodations

If you require special accommodation for a disability, auxiliary aids or materials in an alternative format, contact Julee Bruno at 602.452.3002, 602.307.1283 (fax). 602.452.3545 (TTY), or jbruno@courts.az.gov as soon as possible.

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Agenda

Tuesday, August 4, 2015

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| 7:30 - 8:30 | Registration, Continental Breakfast |
| 8:30 - 9:00 | Welcome |
| 9:00 - 10:30 | Keynote Address - "What Works to Reduce Recidivism for Justice Involved People with Mental Illness" - <i>Dr. Jennifer Skeem, Ph.D.</i> |
| 10:45 - 11:45 | Breakouts <ul style="list-style-type: none">◇ Overview of Rule 11 Competency Law in Arizona◇ Juvenile Competency Evaluation & Restoration |
| 11:45 - 12:45 | Hosted Lunch |
| 12:45 - 1:45 | Breakouts <ul style="list-style-type: none">◇ Overview of Rule 11 Competency Law in Arizona (continued)◇ Juvenile Competency Evaluation & Restoration (continued) |
| 1:45 - 2:15 | Breakouts <ul style="list-style-type: none">◇ From Arrest to Sentencing - How Rule 11 Fits In◇ Juvenile Competency Evaluation & Restoration (continued) |
| 2:30 - 3:30 | Breakouts <ul style="list-style-type: none">◇ Misdemeanor Cases◇ Interplay of Substance Abuse & Mental Illness |
| 3:30 - 5:00 | Expert Testimony |
| 5:00 - 6:30 | Welcome Reception |

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Wednesday, August 5, 2015

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| 8:00 - 9:30 | Vicarious Trauma - <i>Kirsten Solderholm-Lewis, M.Ed.</i> |
| 9:30 - 10:30 | Breakouts <ul style="list-style-type: none">◇ Mental Health & Legal Resources◇ Sexually Violent Predators |
| 10:45 - 11:45 | Breakouts <ul style="list-style-type: none">◇ Records, Collaterals & Third Party Resources◇ Sexually Violent Predators (continued) |
| 11:45 - 12:45 | Hosted Lunch |
| 12:45 - 2:15 | COE/COT/Title 14/Title 36 |
| 2:30 - 3:30 | Assessment Tools |
| 3:30 - 4:30 | Feigning/Malingering |
| 4:30 - 5:00 | Contracting with the Courts |

Thursday, August 6, 2015

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| 7:30 - 8:00 | Registration, Continental Breakfast |
| 8:00 - 9:00 | Women in Criminal Matters - <i>Dr. Dawn Noggle, Ph.D., Ms. Mary Ellen Sheppard</i> |
| 9:00 - 10:30 | Conducting a Competency Evaluation |
| 10:45 - 11:45 | Report Writing |
| 11:45 - 12:30 | Restoration to Competency |
| 12:30 - 1:30 | Hosted Lunch |
| 1:30 - 2:30 | Guilty Except Insane |
| 2:45 - 4:00 | Mock Competency Hearing |
| 4:00 - 4:30 | Wrap Up, Evaluation, Closing Remarks |

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Learning Objectives

At the conclusion of this program, participants may apply to their local court to serve as a mental health expert in competency and restoration cases. This program will address the following:

Legal Criteria for Competency & Rule 11 Evaluations

- Explain Arizona's competency standards and statutes.
- Describe treatment, training and restoration programs available in Arizona.
- Demonstrate forms to access to complete evaluations

From Arrest to Sentencing

- Describe overview of criminal process, from arrest to sentencing.
- Explain when questions of competency can come up during the criminal and judicial process.

Misdemeanor & Lower Court Cases

- Identify restoration options for defendants
- Identify options for municipalities in restoration cases

Expert Testimony & Testifying

- Provide competent testimony
- Testify with confidence & competence

Mental Health & Legal Resources

- Explain the RHBA system in Arizona
- Describe working relationship between RHBA, court, mental health experts, defendants
- Describe role of the Adult and Juvenile Probation departments and MH defendants
- Work successfully with court and probation department

Records and Third Party Information

- Obtain correct information from defense counsel for evaluation.
- Determine what information is relevant to the evaluation.
- Request supplemental information of prior Rule 11s and/or restorations.

Report Writing

- Provide information on what courts are seeking in competency reports

Competency, COE/COT, Title 14/Title 36

- Define Titles 13, 14 & 36.
- Describe the interplay among Titles 13, 14 & 36
- Explain how to provide continuity of care
- Explain how guardianship or conservatorship with mental health powers assist defendants

Assessment of Feigning and Malingering in Mental Health Evaluations

- Define malingering, and how to rule out malingering.
- Discuss impact of malingering on competency.

Conducting & Writing a Competency Evaluation

- Describe content areas in competency evaluation.
- Conduct a standard competency evaluation
- Describe content areas required by statute in competency evaluation report.
- Write a comprehensive competency evaluation report with clear conclusions, and sufficient justification for all conclusions and recommendations.

Guilty Except Insane (GEI)

- Provide overview of Arizona's statutes and case law on GEI and describe legal criteria for GEI determination.
- Describe role, responsibility, and functioning of Psychiatric Security Review Board with regard to GEI cases.
- Describe function and responsibilities of GEI Forensic Unit at the Arizona State Hospital.
- Conduct a standard GEI evaluation.
- Write a comprehensive GEI evaluation report

Interplay of Mental Illness & Substance Abuse

- Increase awareness of culture on behavior & symptom presentation
- Improve understanding of accommodating needs of mental ill adolescents

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Faculty

- ◆ *Chief Justice Scott Bales*, Arizona Supreme Court
- ◆ *John Belatti, Esq.*, Mesa City Prosecutor's Office
- ◆ *Shelly Curran*, Mercy Maricopa Health Services
- ◆ *Ms. Jennifer Dalton, Esq.*, Dalton Law Firm PLLC
- ◆ *Dr. Joel Dvoskin, Ph.D.*
- ◆ *Honorable Karl Eppich*, Superior Court in Pinal County
- ◆ *Veronica Fierro*, Maricopa County Juvenile Probation
- ◆ *Dr. Jason Frizzell, Ph.D.*
- ◆ *Dr. Thomas Geen, Ph.D.*, Maricopa County Restoration Program (invited)
- ◆ *Mr. Will Gonzalez, Esq.*, Phoenix City Prosecutor's Office
- ◆ *Honorable Cele Hancock*, Superior Court in Yavapai County
- ◆ *Honorable Michael Hintze*, Phoenix Municipal Court
- ◆ *Dr. James Huddleston, Ph.D.*
- ◆ *Ms. Josephine Jones, Esq.*
- ◆ *Ms. Dianna Kalandros*, Superior Court in Pinal County
- ◆ *Dr. Gwen Levitt, D.O.*, Desert Vista Health Center
- ◆ *Dr. Deborah Lewis, Ph.D.*, Arizona Behavioral Health Specialists, LLC
- ◆ *Honorable Danelle Linski*, Superior Court in Pima County
- ◆ *Kim McCurtain*, Maricopa County Adult Probation Department
- ◆ *Honorable James McDougall (Ret.)*, Frazer, Ryan, Goldberg & Arnold, LLP
- ◆ *Dawn Noggle*, Maricopa Correctional Health Services
- ◆ *Dr. Carol Olson*, Desert Vista Health Center
- ◆ *Dr. Joel Parker, M.D.*, Biltmore Psychiatric Group, PLLC
- ◆ *Dr. Gary Perrin, Ph.D.*
- ◆ *Ms. Catherine Robbins, Esq.*, Maricopa County Public Fiduciary
- ◆ *Ms. Geraldine Roll, Esq.*, Pinal County Public Fiduciary Office

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Faculty (continued)

- ◆ *Dr. James Seward, Ph.D.*
- ◆ *Ms. Mary Ellen Sheppard*, Maricopa County Manager's Office
- ◆ *Dr. Jennifer Skeem, Ph.D.*, University of California - Berkley
- ◆ *Ms. Kirsten Soderholm Lewis, M.Ed.*, Maricopa County Adult Probation
- ◆ *Dr. Joseph Stewart, Ed.D.*, Yavapai County Restoration to Competency
- ◆ *Ms. Fredrica Strumpf, Esq.*, Maricopa County Public Defender's Office
- ◆ *Dr. John Toma, Ph.D.*, Biltmore Evaluation & Treatment Services
- ◆ *Dr. Lee Underwood, Psy.D.*, Sequel Youth Services
- ◆ *Dr. John Walker, Ph.D.*, Desert Vista Neuropsychological Specialists
- ◆ *Ms. Julie Warzynski, Esq.*, Maricopa County Attorney's Office

Planning Committee

- ◆ *Honorable Michael Hintze*, Phoenix Municipal Court (Co-Chair)
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- ◆ *Honorable Cele Hancock*, Superior Court in Yavapai County
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- ◆ *Ms. Holli Sanger-Alarco*, Arizona Supreme Court Administrator Office of the Courts
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- ◆ *Mr. Steve Tyrell*, Arizona Supreme Court Administrator Office of the Courts

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