Juvenile CINA Court –
Fostering Teamwork Across Disciplines

Program Summary
September 8, 2017
Neal and Bea Smith Law Center
2400 University Ave. | Des Moines, Iowa

8:00 – 8:30 Registration

8:30 – 8:35 Opening Remarks

8:35 – 9:10 Jean Baker, J.D., Attorney and CASA Coach

How does juvenile CINA court differ from other courts? If you don’t know, you might be hurting your client—and the stakes are just too high for that. Learn what to do, and what not to do in order to best serve your client.

9:10 – 9:45 Kurt Swaim, J.D., First Assistant Public Defender, Iowa State Public Defender’s Office

Everyone wants to get paid, and get paid in a timely fashion. What are some of the most common mistakes attorneys make? What do the best attorneys do to ensure they get paid fairly and in a timely manner?

9:45 – 10:20 Janelle Larson, SWIV, Des Moines Service Area Lead Worker, Iowa Department of Human Services

Maureen Barton, Social Work Supervisor, Iowa Department of Human Services

Chris Skuster, Social Work Supervisor, Iowa Department of Human Services
DHS and Attorneys work closely together in juvenile court. The relationship can be challenging because there is both a collaborative and adversarial tone to the relationship. Our panel from DHS will share their perspective regarding what the best attorneys do to both serve their client and “play nicely” with DHS. They will also share some of the challenges they see working with less-experienced or more aggressive attorneys.

10:35 – 11:10
Dr. Frank Filippelli, Medical Director, United Community Services Physician, Newton Correctional Facility

Everyone’s talking about the opioid epidemic. Yet with regard to Medication Assisted Treatment (“MAT”), there seems to be confusion about what best practices are, what the federal guidelines are, and how best to work with parents who have a substance use disorder. Dr. Filippelli will clarify all of that for us.

11:10 – 11:45
Hon. Colin J. Witt, District Associate Judge – Juvenile

As one of our most experienced juvenile court judges, Judge Witt has seen the good, the bad, and the ugly (sometimes very ugly) in CINA cases. He will provide the perspective and insight from the bench in terms of what attorneys are doing to best help their clients, as well as the things that are not helpful, and that may even be harmful to their client’s interests.

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