

# Ensuring Ohio's Children and Families Receive Fair and Equitable Treatment and Services

## OHIO CHILD WELFARE SYMPOSIUM ON DISPROPORTIONALTY AND DISPARITIES

Monday, December 13, 2010

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Embassy Suites Hotel – Columbus Airport  
2886 Airport Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43219

### A G E N D A

8:30	Registration	
9:00	Opening Remarks & Welcome	Sandra Holt Deputy Director, Office of Families and Children Child/Adult Protection
	Purpose of Symposium	Douglas Lumpkin Director, Ohio Dept. of Job and Family Services
	Community Awareness	Ronald Browder Executive Director, Children's Defense Fund - Ohio
	Importance of this Work	Marva Hammons Susan Kelly Casey Family Programs
9:30	Data Presentation	Roger Ward Court Improvement Data Project Manager Supreme Court of Ohio
9:50	Understanding Institutional Racism	Joyce James Texas Child Welfare Consultant
10:45	BREAK	
11:00	History of Disparities in Child Welfare	Dr. Carol Spigner Associate Professor Emeritus, Univ. Pennsylvania, School of Social Policy & Practice
11:45	Q & A Panel	Presenters with Moderator Lyman Legters, Casey Family Programs
NOON	Lunch	
1:00	Children's Defense Fund	MaryLee Allen

Director of Child Welfare and Mental Health  
Children's Defense Fund

- 1:10 View from the Bench Honorable Judge Patricia Clark  
King County Superior Court of Washington
- 2:00 PCSA Leadership Deborah Forkas, Exec. Dir., Cuyahoga DFS  
Perspective Eric Fenner, Exec. Dir., Franklin CS  
John Saros, Exec. Dir., Summit CS
- 2:20 Q & A Moderator Lyman Legters  
Preparation for Breakout Sessions
- 2:30 Break
- 2:45 Breakout Sessions  
Discussion Questions:  
1) Why are people poor?  
2) Does the history that was presented on child welfare disparities continue to drive our current practice? If so, what do we need to do to address it?  
3) How do you see the judge's role in addressing this issue?
- 3:30 Report out
- 3:45 Wrap up/Closing Remarks Sandra Holt