

# Save the Date

## Safety Decision-Making Trainings

**June 26, 2013**- Training for **circuits 11, 15, 16 and 17** at the Central Judicial Complex, 201 SE 6th Street, **Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33301**. Training will be from 1:30-5:00 pm in Room 1882.

**June 27, 2013**- Training for **circuits 6, 12, 13 and 20** at the Manatee County Judicial Center, 1051 Manatee Avenue West **Bradenton, FL 34205**. Training will be from 9:00-12:30 pm in the Multipurpose Room on the 8<sup>th</sup> floor.

**June 28, 2013**- Training for **circuits 3, 4, 7, and 8** at the Alachua County Criminal Justice Center, 220 South Main Street, **Gainesville, FL 32601**. Training will be from 1:00-4:30 pm in the Jury Assembly Room.

**August 23, 2013**- Training for **circuits 1, 2 and 14** at the Florida Supreme Court, 500 S. Duval Street **Tallahassee, FL 32399**. Training will be from 11:30-3:00 pm in the Judicial Meeting Room.

**August 27, 2013**-Training for **circuits 5, 9, 10,18 and 19** at the Peabody Hotel, 9801 International Drive, **Orlando, FL 32819**. Training will be from 9:00-12:30 pm and the room is TBA.

The safety trainings are for dependency judges and magistrates in order to facilitate their understanding of the methodology and to be trained on how it will be integrated into Florida's child welfare system. The trainings will be conducted by: 1) Judge Elizabeth Krier from the 20<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit; 2) H. Stephen Pennypacker, Esq., who is the training director for the department's Office of Children's Legal Services and who has been a member of the Department's redesign team; and 3) one of the developers of the safety methodology. Each training will last 3 to 3½ hours and will include:

- an overview of the Florida Safety Decision-Making Methodology;
- instruction on how the methodology can be incorporated into judicial decision-making and strategies for implementation of the methodology; and
- an overview of DCF's statewide use of the methodology in its "redesign" including use of the newly-designed DCF forms in dependency and TPR cases, and information regarding availability of future training and technical assistance to individual circuits and regions.

**Please Note:** Travel authorization is pending Chief Justice Polston's approval. Travel arrangements should be made at your own discretion as final approval has not yet been granted. Once final approval to travel is obtained, The Office of Court Improvement will notify you immediately and will provide additional travel tips. **Education Credits:** Applications have been submitted for CJE and CLE credits.

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