

FREE CAP CLE

1.5 General CLE Credits

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Advocating for Child Clients with Mental Health Concerns

Sponsored by Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada

- When:** Monday, April 22, 2019 – 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
(Please Bring Your Own Lunch)
- Where:** Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada
725 East Charleston Blvd., Las Vegas, NV
- What:** Child welfare cases rarely resolve without a child experiencing functional difficulties at home or in school, and child welfare practitioners may find themselves interacting with mental health professionals, treatment facilities, and Mental Health Court. This class will cover mental health diagnoses usually identified in childhood and various treatments including therapy, prescription medication, and hospitalization. The class will also touch on Trauma and Stress-Related Disorders common among clients in the child welfare system and medications that are often prescribed to them. The class will address the attorney's role, whether advocating for an evaluation and appropriate services, or advocating for a client's wishes in court. We will review the rights of children in Mental Health proceedings from acute hospital admissions to contesting petitions for residential treatment.
- Cost:** **FREE!** All attorneys who attend the CLE must have at least **ONE ACTIVE abuse/neglect pro bono case** through the Pro Bono Project. *Acceptance of a NEW abuse/neglect pro bono case is appreciated. Select a case at www.lacsnprobono.org.*
- Speakers:** Jonathan Norman, Esq., Children's Attorney Project, Legal Aid Center
Mary McCarthy, Esq. Children's Attorney Project, Legal Aid Center
Maureen Buen, Medical Services Administrator for DFS
Gwynneth Smith, Deputy District Attorney
Judge Frank Sullivan

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Attendees must be Nevada-licensed or Emeritus-certified attorneys with at least one active abuse/neglect pro bono case.