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NIPFC Permanency Blast

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Greetings,

This month we feature our announcement for Interdisciplinary Education on Permanency and the Courts training held on November 12-13, 2015 in Fresno, California, and include an article written by Judge Leonard Edwards, "Family Drug Courts: A Best Practice that Works". Additionally, we are "re-blasting" the Funding Youth Permanency Guide (along with a slimmed down 2 page version) from Gail Johnson-Vaughan of Families Now. The guide presents a fiscal methodology for public child welfare to meet the objective of achieving permanent families for all youth before they age out of foster care.

Announcing

Interdisciplinary Education on Permanency and the Courts

NIPFC is pleased to announce that the second of 4 regional trainings on Interdisciplinary Education on Permanency and the Courts will take place in [Fresno, CA on November 12-13th](#) at the University Square Hotel. This training, produced via collaboration between The Judicial Council of California and NIPFC, was developed for judges, parent and child attorneys, social workers, county counsel, probation officers, Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), parents, juvenile dependency mediators and other advocates and stakeholders. Professional CEUs will be available. [The registration link is embedded within the Fresno announcement.](#)

We are also announcing the third installation of the Interdisciplinary Education on Permanency and the Courts, held in the Spring of 2016 in Los Angeles and the final installment held in the Inland Empire.

Look for a follow-up e-mail providing registration information for these events in the near future.

Family Drug Courts

Judge Leonard Edward's article, "[Family Drug Courts: A Best Practice that Works,](#)" looks into juvenile dependency courts, and the development of Family Drug Courts. As an example of best practice, FDCs provide a sophisticated approach into drug abuse, families, and recovery. [Click here to read more.](#)

Funding Youth Permanency Guide

This guide, authored by Gail Johnson-Vaughan of FamiliesNOW, has been prepared to assist public child welfare agencies with the fiscal analysis useful to replicating successful specialized youth permanency practice (see Appendix I).

The guide presents a fiscal methodology for public child welfare to meet the objective of achieving permanent families for all youth before they age out of foster care. While the guide is geared towards the fiscal and administrative structures present in California, many of the principles apply to public child welfare sites across the country. Gail regularly consults with public child welfare agencies across the country to promote this fiscally sustainable approach to funding quality youth permanency work, including North Carolina, Minnesota, Oregon, Kentucky and California. To access the full guide please [click here](#). You can also read a short summary be [clicking here](#). To learn more about Gail's efforts, please visit [FamiliesNOW](#) and/or email Gail gail@familiesnow.org.

Best,

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