



2008 Florida Drug Court Distance Learning Session September 4, 2008



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DISTANCE LEARNING SESSION DETAILS

The Florida Association of Drug Court Professionals (FADCP) and the Office of the State Courts Administrator (OSCA) have developed a distance learning session to be held on Thursday, September 4th from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm ET. The Seventeenth Judicial Circuit will host the event with Judge Gisele Pollack serving as the emcee. The session will feature Dr. Andrew Osborne who is a national expert in cultural proficiency in drug courts. He will focus on structuring sanctions and incentives in a culturally proficient way to meet the diverse needs of clients in drug court. In addition, modules on cultural proficiency will be presented (see draft agenda). The session will be presented through the court's videoconferencing network at various circuit/county sites throughout the state.

In addition, the Ninth Judicial Circuit will be presenting a morning session from 9:00 am -11:00 am to supplement training opportunities including: "How Drugs and Substance Abuse have Influenced our Courts"; Osceola County's Forensic Drug Testing Lab Overview; and "Dilutions, Adulterations and Substitutions" (see draft agenda). This session will be webcast over the Internet and can be accessed at <http://www2.ninja9.org/DrugCourtTraining>.

There will be no cost to participate in the distance learning sessions. To determine if your jurisdiction is planning to participate in the training sessions, see the attached list of participating circuits and liaison contacts for each circuit/county. **You must register for each training session by contacting the liaison responsible for coordinating the session in your jurisdiction. The deadline for registration information to be submitted to the OSCA by the liaison is Thursday, August 21, 2008.** Please be sure to contact your liaison before August 21st to register. The liaison will provide the OSCA with participant information to create an e-mail group for communicating details regarding the sessions.

All materials related to the distance learning sessions will be e-mailed and posted on the FADCP website for your access at <http://fadcp.com>. Please keep in mind that it will be the participants' responsibility to print out all materials for the session. Both training sessions are being certified for continuing education credits for CJE, CLE and CEUs. It will be the participants' responsibility to complete required paperwork and pay any required fees. Details on how to obtain continuing education credits will be provided to all registered participants.

General questions regarding the distance learning session should be directed to Selina Fleming with the OSCA at 850-414-1507 or flemings@flcourts.org. You may contact your local liaison for any questions about the training site location in your jurisdiction and other local details.