

THE CONFERENCE

The 2018 NJ Child Placement Advisory Council (CPAC) Annual Conference is designed to unite and mobilize like-minded child advocates. We are looking to put into motion the ideas and programs that will help to improve the lives of children in foster care.

The Conference provides a unique opportunity to discuss and integrate the latest programs and research in communities throughout New Jersey.

Join NJ CPAC on June 1, 2018, at the Robert Wood Johnson Conference Center.

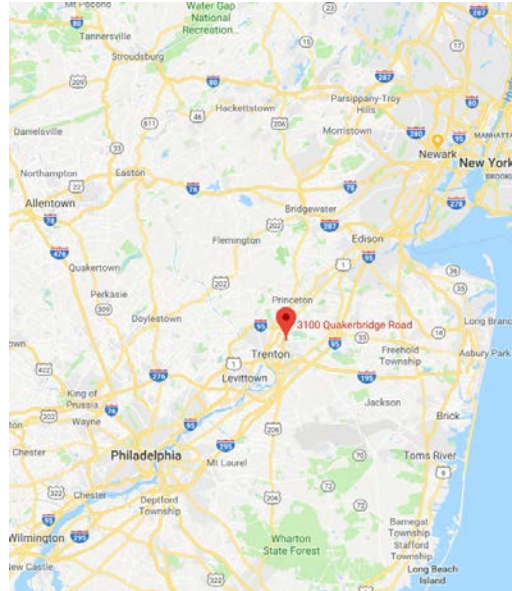
*“Coming together is a beginning,
staying together is progress,
and working together is success.”*

—Henry Ford



THE VENUE

Robert Wood Johnson Conference Center
3100 Quakerbridge Road
Mercerville, NJ 08619
(609) 584-7600
<http://rwjhamiltonwellness.com>



The RWJ Conference Center is in Mercer County, close to the Quakerbridge Mall and Grounds for Sculpture. It is easily accessible to 295, 206, 1 and 195, which connects to the NJ Turnpike.

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THE POWER OF
PARTNERING

FRIDAY, JUNE 1, 2018
8:30 am – 3:15 pm

New Jersey
Child Placement
Advisory Council



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- 8:30 Registration & Continental Breakfast
- 9:30 Welcome & Opening Remarks
- 9:45 **SYMPOSIUM**
Partnerships to Support Families
- 11:45 **WORKSHOPS**
Building Community Partnerships:
Group & Residential Homes: Policies & Protocols
Juvenile Justice Partners
The Opioid Controversy
The Rainbows Program
CPR Workshops, Parts 1 & 2
- 12:45 Buffet Lunch & Networking
- 1:15 **ROUNDTABLES**
Partnering to Address Challenges:
Aging Out
Dating Abuse
Homeless Families
Societal Anxiety
Transgender Youth
Undocumented Youth
- 3:15 Adjourn

PRESENTERS

Presenters include:

Jay Lassiter

A writer, political consultant and social justice advocate, Mr. Lassiter is also a recovering drug user. He is the host/author of NJ 101.5's "Heroin Uncut: The Truth about the Crisis," a blunt, honest look about New Jersey's struggle with opioid addiction.

Jennifer LeBaron, MA, Ph. D.

Dr. LeBaron has been with the NJ Juvenile Justice Commission since 1998. She has served in numerous leadership roles, focusing on program and policy development; research and evaluation; launching new initiatives; and collaborating with stakeholders throughout New Jersey to effect informed change within juvenile justice. As Deputy Executive Director of Policy, Research and Planning, Dr. LeBaron serves as advisor on all matters pertaining to the agency's policy agenda.

Marcia Robinson Lowry

Ms. Lowry has developed many of the key legal theories that form the backbone of the legal rights of children caught up in the nation's child welfare system. She has led much of the litigation that has reformed many child welfare systems throughout the country, including that of New Jersey. Ms. Lowry founded and led Children's Rights, Inc. for almost 20 years. She is the current Executive Director of A Better Childhood, where she continues to ensure implementation of court-ordered reforms.

Cecillia Zalkind, MA, JD

Ms. Cecilia Zalkind has an extensive background in public policy advocacy for children. Her 25 years in leadership roles at Advocates for Children of New Jersey (ACNJ) have helped produce key policy advances in child welfare, early care and education and health care. She has led influential coalitions such as the Early Care and Education Coalition and the New Jersey Build initiative that have advanced high-quality early care and education in the State. Ms. Zalkind has argued before the NJ Supreme Court in *Abbott v. Burke*, the landmark educational equity case. She also serves on various national leadership committees.

REGISTRATION. *Includes continental breakfast, opening remarks, symposium workshops, buffet lunch and roundtables.*

Name (please print): _____ Are you a CPR Volunteer? _____ If yes, county: _____
Affiliation / Employer (e.g., agency, school, company): _____ Work location: _____

Select 3 workshops from the following list. Then rank in order of preference, with 1 being your first choice:

- Group & Residential Homes _____
Juvenile Justice Partners _____
The Opioid Controversy _____
The Rainbows Program _____
CPR Workshops, Parts 1 & 2 _____
- Mandatory for CPR volunteers who have not taken initial review training in their vicinages.

Complete this form and **Mail** to Barbara McClurken, NJ CPAC, Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex, PO Box 983, Trenton NJ 08625-0983 or **Fax** to (609) 376-3021 or **email** it with "registration" on subject line to Barbara.McClurken@njcourts.gov.

NJ CPAC reserves the right to make program and workshop selection changes.