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TENTH ANNUAL NATIONAL CITIZEN REVIEW PANEL  
CONFERENCE

# A Force for Change



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**MAY 18-20, 2011**

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**The Power of Community**



**Ending Child Abuse  
and Neglect.**



## **TUESDAY, MAY 17**

7:00 p.m. Meet and Greet  
Sponsored by Parents Anonymous® of South Carolina, Inc. Please wear your name badge. Early registration will be available at 6:00 p.m.

## **WEDNESDAY, MAY 18**

8:00 a.m. Networking coffee and registration

9:00 a.m. Greetings  
The Honorable Joseph P. Riley, Jr., Mayor of Charleston, SC

9:15a.m. Introduction of the National CRP Advisory Board and Overview of the Conference:  
Cheryl Worrell, *University of South Carolina, College of Social Work, The Center for Child and Family Studies*

9:20 a.m. Citizen Review Panel Historical Overview  
Blake Jones, *Kentucky Citizen Review Panel*

9:30 a.m. Troy Strother, Parents Anonymous® of South Carolina, Inc.

10:15 a.m. Updates from Across the Nation  
*(Please provide a five-minute update on your Citizen Review Panel)*

12:00 p.m. Opening Luncheon

12:30 p.m. Gullah Storyteller

1:45 p.m. The Public Cost of Father Absence  
Michael Gaskin, *South Carolina Citizen Review Panel*  
Anita Keyes, *Minnesota Department of Social Services*

2:45 p.m. Break

3:00 p.m. Family Group Conferencing Panel Discussion  
Pat Patrick, *Families First, Charleston South Carolina*

4:30 p.m. Adjourn and dinner on your own

## THURSDAY, MAY 19

- 8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast
- 9:00 a.m. How One Child Protection Agency Works with its CRP to Make Recommendations Reality  
Jocelyn Goodwin, *South Carolina Department of Social Services*  
Carolyn Dorrell, Joyce Dilleshaw, Donna Xenakis: *South Carolina Citizen Review Panel*
- 10:00 a.m. Discussion in small groups:
- Citizen Review Panel Members (3 groups)
- Facilitators: Vicki Garber, *Kentucky Citizen Review Panel*, Hattie Greene, *South Carolina Citizen Review Panel*, Kiona Washington, *The Center for Child and Family Studies*
- Focus of discussion:** What are the best ideas you have for making the CRP process work? What successes and challenges have you had in your state?
- Program Coordinators (“free standing,” not affiliated with a child welfare agency)
- Facilitator: Toni Lawal, *Tennessee Citizen Review Panel*
- Focus of Discussion:** What are your ideas about how to “bridge the gap” between the child welfare agency and CRPs? How have you used your role to do so?
- Program Coordinators (affiliated with a state child welfare agency)
- Facilitator: Phyllis Fulton, *North Carolina Citizen Review Panel*
- Focus of Discussion:** What strategies have you used to walk the line between being a “good employee” of your child welfare agency and a “good CRP coordinator”? What are your challenges and successes?
- 11:30 a.m. Report back to the large group
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch on your own

## CONCURRENT SESSIONS

### TRACK A:

1:30-2:30 p.m.      Remembering the "C" in CRP  
Neal Buckwalter, *Doctoral Candidate, The School of Public and Environmental Affairs, Indiana University*

2:45-4:15 p.m.      Starting a CRP on the Wind River Indian Reservation  
Kelly Hamilton, and James Trosper, *Wyoming Citizen Review Panel* and  
Dr. Blake Jones, *Kentucky Citizen Review Panel and CRP National Coordinator*

### TRACK B:

1:30 - 2:30 p.m.      Writing Effective Recommendations  
Caroline Davis, *University of South Carolina, College of Social Work, The Center for Child and Family Studies*

2:45-4:15 p.m.      Laying the Groundwork for a National Health and Education Passport  
Panel Discussion: Kelly Hamilton, Stephen Clyburn, Dee Stogdill, and  
Carolyn Dorrell

5:15 -10:00 p.m.      Come party with us! Gather in front of the hotel to catch the bus for the  
Charleston Dinner Cruise

*Enjoy a three-hour dinner cruise leaving Patriots Point at 7:00 pm (board time 6:30) aboard the Spirit of Carolina. Excursion includes three-course dinner (soup, salad, choice of entrée, coffee & ice tea, tax, and gratuities). Cash bar available.*

## FRIDAY, MAY 20

- 8:00 a.m. Full breakfast
- 8:30 a.m. Action Planning for the Journey Home: Putting Ideas into Practice  
Blake Jones, Ph.D., LCSW, *University of Kentucky, College of Social Work*
- 9:00 a.m. Recent Federal Legislative and Policy Developments  
Howard Davidson, JD, *American Bar Association Center for Children and the Law*
- 9:45 a.m. GOALL Youth Representatives Speak: “CRP Members, Change This!”  
Go Out and Learn Life (GOALL) is a statewide advocacy and advisory committee composed of youth who have experience with the foster care system.
- 11:00 a.m. Evaluation/wrap up
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch on your own
- 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Post-conference Continuing Education Training:  
How to use the Legislative Process to Impact Child Welfare  
Howard Davidson, JD, *American Bar Association Center for Children and the Law*

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## CONFERENCE PLANNERS

Cheryl W. Worrell, University of South Carolina, College of Social Work,  
The Center for Child and Family Studies, South Carolina Citizen Review  
Panel (Conference Chair)

Pat Briggs, NM Citizen Review Panel

Blake L. Jones, University of Kentucky, College of Social Work  
Kentucky Citizen Review Panel

Kay Thomas, ACTION for Child Protection, Inc.

Toni Lawal, Tennessee, College of Social Work,  
Tennessee Citizen Review Panel

Mukweso Mwenene, Florida Department of Children and Families

Stephen Clyburn, SC Governor's Office—Division of Foster Care Review  
South Carolina Citizen Review Panel

Vicki Garber, Kentucky Citizen Review Panel

Hattie Greene, University of South Carolina, College of Social Work,  
The Center for Child and Family Studies, South Carolina Citizen Review  
Panel

Joyce Dilleshaw, Cornerstone  
South Carolina Citizen Review Panel

Carolyn Dorrell, The Nurturing Center  
South Carolina Citizen Review Panel

Michael Gaskin, Greenwood County First Steps  
South Carolina Citizen Review Panel

Alice Hodges, Executive Director, Meg's House  
South Carolina Citizen Review Panel

Kim Little, Richland County Legislative Delegation/VA  
South Carolina Citizen Review Panel

Angela Pruitt, Abbeville County First Steps  
South Carolina Citizen Review Panel

Carolyn Robinson, Greenwood County First Steps Board  
South Carolina Citizen Review Panel

Deirdre "Dee" Stogdill, Volunteer Guardian ad Litem  
South Carolina Citizen Review Panel

Kiona Washington, University of South Carolina, College of Social Work,  
The Center for Child and Family Studies, South Carolina Citizen Review  
Panel

Donna Xenakis, Parents Anonymous of South Carolina, Inc.  
South Carolina Citizen Review Panel

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*National Citizen Review Panel Conference  
Registration Information*

May 18-20, 2011

Charleston, South Carolina

**Travel:** The Marriot Charleston is located 12 miles SE from the Charleston (CHS) Airport

**Driving directions:** Exit airport onto International Blvd. Take International Blvd to Montague Ave. Turn Left on Montague Ave to I-26 East. Take I-26 East to exit 221A (Hwy 17 South) toward Savannah. Hwy 17 becomes Spring Street. Take Spring Street to Lockwood Blvd. Take right onto Lockwood Blvd. Hotel is on right, 4 blocks ahead.

**Alternate transportation:** Absolutely Charleston; fee: 32 USD (one way); reservation required

**Estimated taxi fare:** 25.00 USD (one way)

**Lodging:** Conference lodging will be provided by the Marriott Charleston in Charleston, SC. The room rate is \$109/night. When making reservations, let them know you are with the National Citizen Review Panel Conference hosted by the South Carolina Citizen Review Panel. Contact the hotel at:

***Marriott Charleston***

170 Lockwood Drive  
Charleston, SC 29401  
1-800-968-3569

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/chsmc-charleston-marriott/>

Conference Fee: \$250 per person prior to **April 1, 2011**

\$275.00 per person after **April 1, 2011**

**REGISTRATIONS ARE LIMITED.**

**PLEASE REGISTER *EARLY!***

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# 2011 NATIONAL CRP CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

Please return the following information **by April 1, 2011** to:

**Kay Thomas**

**ACTION for Child Protection, Inc.  
2101 Sardis Road North Suite 204  
Charlotte, NC 28227**

**Email: [kay.thomas@actionchildprotection.org](mailto:kay.thomas@actionchildprotection.org)**

**Phone: 704-845-2121**

**Fax: 704-845-8577**

Attendee's name and credentials \_\_\_\_\_

Title and agency name \_\_\_\_\_

Citizen Review Panel/other agency you represent \_\_\_\_\_

What is your role with the panel or agency? \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Please let us know if special accommodations are needed (e.g., disability services, vegetarian meals) \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be attending the Charleston Dinner Cruise on May 19 (*this is included in your registration fee*)? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be bringing a guest on the Charleston Dinner Cruise (if yes, **please include an additional \$75/guest**) YES (name of guest \_\_\_\_\_) NO \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be attending the post-conference continuing education training? (**If yes, please add an additional \$25**) YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Amount Submitted** \_\_\_\_\_

***Please enclose a check for \$250.00 (by Friday, April 1, 2011) payable to:***

***ACTION for Child Protection***

**MasterCard and Visa Accepted. Please call Kay Thomas at 704-845-2121 to pay with a credit card.**