



American Association of Public Welfare Attorneys

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2009

- 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
- 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2009

- 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. MORNING EVENT
- 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. REGISTRATION
- 1:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. PRESIDENT'S WELCOME FOR NEWCOMERS TO AAPWA
- 1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. OPENING SESSION
AAPWA President: Deborah Huskins (MN)
AAPWA Vice President: Gayl M. Manthei (NC)
- 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. PLENARY SESSION: *Litigation Reviews in Medicaid, TANF, Child Support and Child Welfare*

Moderator: Howard Pallotta (OK)

Speakers: Bob Keith (OGC – HHS/ACF)
Howard Davidson (ABA Center on Children and the Law)
- 4:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. BREAK
- 4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. PLENARY SESSION: *Litigation Reviews, Continued*

Moderator: Howard Pallotta (OK)

Speaker: Alan Dorn (OGC – HHS/CMS)
- 5:15 p.m. – 5:45 p.m. COMMITTEE MEETINGS
- 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. OPENING RECEPTION
- 8:00 p.m. PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2009

7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. REGISTRATION

7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. CONFERENCE BREAKFAST AND JOINT PLENARY SESSION WITH THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF STATE HUMAN SERVICES ADMINISTRATORS AND THE APHSA POLICY SUMMIT

The New Administration and Congress - The Latest Developments in Human Services Law at the Federal Level

Opening Remarks: Bruce Goldberg, MD (Director, Oregon Department of Human Services)

Deborah Huskins, AAPWA President

Jerry W. Friedman, Executive Director, American Public Human Services Association

Speakers: Carmen Nazario, Nominee for Assistant Secretary, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

David Hansell, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Kevin Concannon, Undersecretary for Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. BREAK

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. PLENARY SESSION: *Ethics for Public Attorneys*

Moderator: Gretchen Merrill (OR)

Speaker: Hardy Myers, former Attorney General, State of Oregon

11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. LUNCH (*on your own*)

New Lawyers Lunch:

Leader: Deborah Huskins (MN)

Medicaid Lunch (state & local counsel only)

Leader: Howard Pallotta (OK)

1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

1. The Role of Counsel in Successful Information Technology Projects.

Moderator: Steve Aragon (TX)

Speaker: Rich Wyde (Nelson Mullins LLP)

2. Medicaid Long Term Eligibility and "Estate Preservation" Devices.

Moderator: Lynn Rambo Jones (OK)

Speaker: Christopher Bergin (OK)

3. Recent Federal Child Welfare Laws: Fostering Connections and Stimulus Funding

Moderator: Steve Hassett (WA)

Speaker: Steve Keller (OGC – HHS/ACF)

3:00 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.

BREAK

3:15 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

1. Critical Medicaid Federal Funding Issues

Moderator: Paul Leche (TX)

*Speakers: Chuck Miller (Covington & Burling)
Alicia Smith (Alicia Smith & Associates, LLC)*

2. Government Benefits for Non-Citizens and for Citizen Children of Non-Citizens

Moderator: Sharon Stevenson (CA)

*Speakers: Gillian Dutton (Seattle University School of Law)
Patricia Welcome (VI)
Pat Freeman (CA)*

8:00 p.m.

SECRETARY'S & TREASURER'S RECEPTION

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2009

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. REGISTRATION

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. CONCURRENT SESSIONS

1. Maximizing Third Party Liability Revenue

Moderator: Belinda Smith (NC)

*Speakers: Jason Manne (PA)
Jon Hutcheson (Health Management Systems)*

2. TANF in a Time of Recession: The Work Requirements and the Stimulus Package.

Moderator: Inez Haettenschwiller (NY)

*Speakers: Liz Schott (Center on Budget and Policy Priorities)
Deidre Balderston (HHS/OGC)*

3. Changing Child Welfare Trends and Practices Across the Nation

Moderator: Randi Lewis (OH)

*Speakers: Mark Courtney (Partners for Our Children)
Dee Wilson (University of Washington)*

10:00 a.m. – 10:15 am BREAK

10:15 a.m. – 11:45 am CONCURRENT SESSIONS

1. Federal Court Challenges to Reductions in Rates and Services, 1983 and the Supremacy Clause

Moderator: Matt Devlin (AZ)

Speaker: Timothy Cornforth (CA)

2. Public Records and Data Privacy in the Electronic Age (includes HIPAA considerations, data-sharing among human services agencies, mental health records, etc).

Moderator: Jay Brunner (MN)

Speaker: Jason W. Davis (Stoel Rives LLP)

3. Foster Care and Adult Residential Licensing

Moderator: Larry Bolton (CA)

Speakers: Ed Watkins (NY)

11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. LUNCH (On Your Own)

Child Welfare Lunch

*Leaders: Carol Ann Smith (MD)
John Wood (IN)*

TANF Lunch

Leader: Gayl M. Manthei (NC)

1:15 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. CONCURRENT SESSIONS

1. The ADA, Your Public Welfare Agency and Best Litigation Avoidance Practices

Moderator : Inez Haettenschwiller (NY)

Speaker: Roy Esnard (General Counsel NYC Human Resources Administration)

2. Federal Child Welfare Audits

Moderator: Angie Stephenson (NC)

*Speakers: Caroline Brown (Covington & Burling)
Gerry Williams (TX)
Audrey Carmical (TX)*

2:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. BREAK

2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. CONCURRENT SESSIONS

1. Introduction to CHIP and how it relates to Other Human Services Programs

Moderator: Linda Grimms (OR)

Speaker: Alan Dorn (OGC – HHS/CMS)

2. Practice before the Departmental Appeals Board

Moderator: Paul Leche (TX)

*Speakers: Judge Sheila Hegy (Departmental Appeals Board)
Jason Manne (PA)*

3. Vulnerable Adults/Adult Protection

Moderator: Gary Davis (MN)

Speaker: Mark L. Jones (OK Advocate General)

3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. BREAK

3:45 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. CONCURRENT SESSIONS

*1. Introduction to Child Support Enforcement and How It
Relates to Child Welfare, Medicaid and TANF.*

Moderator: Deborah Huskins (MN)

*Speaker: Vicki Turetsky (Commissioner, Office of Child Support
Enforcement USDHHS)*

2. Legal Issues in Person Centered Human Services Initiatives

Moderator: Rick Fenton (APHSA)

*Speakers: Clarence Carter (Director, DC Human Resources)
Emily Wengrovius (APHSA)*

5:00 – 7:00 p.m. RECEPTION AND REGIONAL CAUCUS
BUSINESS MEETING AND ELECTIONS

7:30 p.m. NEW PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2009

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

8:15 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. CONCURRENT SESSIONS

1. Health Care Reform and other Medicaid Hot Topics

Moderator: Richard Hepfer (SC)

*Speakers: Jeffery Thompson MD MPH (WA)
Julie Brunner (MN)*

2. Child Welfare Hot Topics

Leader: Carol Ann Smith (MD)

9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. BREAK

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 am CONCURRENT SESSIONS

*1. Managing Discovery (including e-discovery) in
Complex Litigation*

Moderator: Charlene Vaughan (WV)

Speakers: Christopher Bergin (OK)

2. Notice and a Right to be Heard

Moderator: Matt Devlin (AZ)

Speaker: Emery Milliken (NC)(invited)

*3. Adoptions: (1) Hague Convention and State Department
Regulations Applicable to Agencies Sponsoring Immigrant
Adoptions and (2) Fostering Connections Act Amendments
to Title IV-E Adoption Assistance Program)*

Moderator: John Wood (IN)

*Speakers: Colleen Flood, US Dept of State
Lois Ward, Region X Office of HHS/ACF*

11:30 a.m. ADJOURN

12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS
MEETING