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## WHO SHOULD ATTEND

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- Judges
- Probation Officers
- Attorneys
- Law Enforcement
- Educators
- Social Workers
- Therapists
- Residential Staff

### QUESTIONS?

#### Contact Any Blue Ridge VJJA District Officer

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**Register By  
OCTOBER 6**

## About VJJA

Founded in 1966 as the Virginia Juvenile Officers Association (VJOA), the association's name was later changed to the Virginia Juvenile Justice Association (VJJA) to reflect the diversity of its membership. That diversity is more evident today than ever, with more than 1000 members representing nearly every private and public agency in the Commonwealth that works with or on behalf of court-involved juveniles. Our membership represents court services, the judiciary, DJJ administration, correctional facilities, detention centers, indigent defense, prosecution, law enforcement, group homes, behavioral health providers, educators, and more. VJJA is administered by an elected board of directors and volunteer staff and divided into six geographical district chapters (Southwest, Blue Ridge, Valley, Northern, Capital, and Tidewater).

## Our Mission

... to advocate for quality services for juveniles (due process, evidence-based practices, proven models, program integrity/standards, outcome measures);

... to enhance the professionalism and skills of our members (professional development, skill building, practice improvement, resources, technical assistance, awards for excellence, recognition);

... to foster communication among our members (collaboration, networking, publications); and

... to promote alternative approaches to resolving youth and family problems (diversion, risk-based graduated responses, least restrictive environment).

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# VIRGINIA JUVENILE JUSTICE ASSOCIATION

## Blue Ridge District Chapter

*PRESENTS*

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## TRAINING & RESOURCE DAY 2010

### *Engaging Young People, Families and Natural Supports*

Friday, October 8, 2010  
8:30 am – 4:00 pm

Lynchburg Info. Tech. Center  
3550 Young Place  
Lynchburg

[www.VJJA.org](http://www.VJJA.org)

# TRAINING & RESOURCE DAY 2010

## “Engaging Young People, Families and Natural Supports”

Presentations ~ Interactive Sessions ~ Activities

### TRAINING OBJECTIVES:

- to help workers learn more effective strategies to engage families in services and empowering them as equal partners in the service planning process.

- to help workers learn strategies to engage the most isolated and frequently resistant families in identifying and recruiting natural supports (including those with whom they may burned bridges or may not be thought of as a traditional support, but do care about the young person and family). This will come through building relationships, crisis plans, and action plans with small, achievable steps.

- to help workers identify methods to develop identified natural supports into people that can meet needs by working with young people's and families' strengths, and empowering youth to develop their own support systems.

### The interactive training will include:

- modeling youth and family engagement strategies;
- how to build individualized service plans with staff and families;
- demonstrating methods of identifying and securing informal supports and resources.

### These three chapters will be included:

- Engaging Youth and Families as Partners in the Planning Process;
- Identifying, recruiting and engaging natural supports;
- Empowering young people as partners and co-contributors in their communities

### EVENT FACULTY

**VALERIE KOEPEL, M.Ed.**  
Youth Advocate Programs (YAP)

**AMANDA NOELL STANLEY, M.S.**  
Two Chair Solutions

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.  
REGISTRATION & COFFEE

9:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.  
WELCOME / INTRODUCTIONS  
ABOUT VJJA

9:15 a.m. to 10:20 a.m.  
MORNING SESSION

10:20 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.  
MORNING BREAK

10:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.  
MORNING SESSION CONT.

11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.  
LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

1:15 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.  
AFTERNOON SESSION

3:15 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.  
WRAP UP & DOOR PRIZES

## REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

AGENCY: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIAL ACCOMODATIONS:

### SELECT ONE

MEMBER	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>TRAINING &amp; LUNCH</b> <b>Free to Members</b> (FY '11 Dues Must Have Been Paid) <b>\$0.00</b>
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>TRAINING &amp; FY 2011</b> <b>MEMBER DUES</b> (membership thru 6/30/2011) <b>\$20.00</b>
NON MEMBER	

Make checks payable to: VJJA

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