

10:15 – 11:45: “Category 5 Perfect Storm” Blended Sentencing

- Idaho Code § 20-508, 509 – Nancy Bishop, Judge Thomas Ryan

This section will cover the statutory requirements for trying a juvenile as an adult and the practical application of the blended sentence option in Idaho.

- Case Study – Judge Thomas Ryan

The section will also cover one or more case studies and as well as sample orders used in blended sentences.

11:45 – 1:30: Lunch (on your own)

1:30 – 3:00: “SOS, All Hands on Deck” Collaboration/Systems Approach

- Rule 19 – Judge John Varin, Shane Boyle

Idaho Juvenile Rule 19 has been part of the fabric of Idaho's juvenile justice system for many years. This rule delineates the discretionary decision points a juvenile judge must consider before committing a juvenile offender to Idaho Department of Juvenile Correction's custody. Recently this Rule was amended to require screening teams to meet to develop information on the youth, the youth's family and possible community programs for the judges to consider at the disposition hearing. This session will discuss Rule 19 and how the new provisions are being implemented.

- Idaho Code § 20-511A – Ritchie Weers

This session will discuss the process being utilized to obtain mental health services for juveniles under I.C. § 20-511A.

- Idaho Code § 20-520(1)(i) – Elda Catalano, Dave McCullough, Shane Boyle

This section will cover the procedure to assist the criminal justice population obtain substance abuse assessments and treatment as ordered by the Court, outline the role of the Judge, probation officer and the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare (BPA).

- Idaho Code § 18-211, 18-212 – Judge John Vehlow

The competency of juveniles to stand trial is not addressed by statute or rule in Idaho. However, the juvenile courts of Idaho are facing this issue with ever-increasing regularity. The only guidance provided are the adult competency statutes, I.C. § 18-210, 18-211 and 18-212. The presentation will discuss the problems inherent in following the adult statute, as well as explain current proposals regarding draft language for the development of a juvenile competency statute.

3:00 – 3:15: Break

3:15 – 5:00: “Building a Better Ship with an Ethical Rudder”

- Best Practices/Working Together – Judge John Varin, Tim Fleming, Trent Grant

Idaho's Juvenile Corrections Act and practice under the Act envisions a broad spectrum of people working together to address both individual offenders and system's needs. Each person involved with a case or a system need brings a different perspective, such as the ethical obligation of the defense counsel and who they represent. Blending these perspectives and the requirements of the Act to enhance both case and system needs takes understanding beyond our individual views. This session will discuss how to approach the differences we have and seek understanding that will meet offender, victim, community and stakeholder needs both in a case and for system needs using best practice principles.

- Q&A Session – All Presenters

Presenters:

*Judge John Varin, Senior Magistrate Judge
Norma Jaeger, Statewide Director for Problem Solving Courts
Steve Jett, Director, Southwest Idaho Juvenile Detention Center; President, National Juvenile Detention Association
Nancy Bishop, Lead Deputy Attorney General, Department of Juvenile Corrections
Judge Thomas Ryan, District Court Judge, 3rd Judicial District
Trent Grant – Bonneville County Public Defender
Shane Boyle – District 7 Liaison, Department of Juvenile Corrections
Ritchie Weers, LCPC, Chief of Children's Mental Health, Department of Health & Welfare Region VI
Elda Catalano – Chief Juvenile Probation Officer, Canyon County
Dave McCullough – Supervisor, Kootenai County Juvenile Probation
Judge John Vehlow – Senior Magistrate Judge
Tim Fleming – Chief of Staff, Canyon County Prosecutor's Office
Stephanie Breach, Director, Third District Youth Court*