

### Important Information for Judges Handling CPS Cases



### **NCJFCJ 79<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference**

The [National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges 79<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference](#) features a wide range of topics that include child abuse and neglect, family law, judicial leadership, juvenile justice, and family violence. It provides cutting-edge information and tools to juvenile and family courts to support their efforts to improve case processing and outcomes for children, youth, and families.

**To be eligible for a scholarship to attend the NCJFCJ Annual Conference, judges must hear civil CPS cases and attend the Texas Center for the Judiciary's Child Welfare Judicial Conference to be held November 14-16, 2016 in Austin.** Scholarships will be awarded on a competitive basis and preference will be given to judges who commit to attend the Child Welfare Conference and who hear a high percentage of CPS cases. The grant will reimburse registration fees, travel, lodging, and meals up to \$2,000. (Any additional expenses must be covered by the scholarship recipient). Recipients also must complete pre- and post-conference surveys and evaluations in order for the reimbursement to be processed.

Please complete the application located here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6TL2HWX>. **Applications must be received no later than April 15.**

The Texas Center will notify you if you are selected to receive a scholarship. Please DO NOT call the hotel or make reservations for the conference prior to receiving confirmation that you have been awarded a scholarship. Please contact Heidi Penix at [heidip@yourhonor.com](mailto:heidip@yourhonor.com) if you have any questions.

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