

# DIPLOMA CENTRE

## Certificate in Juvenile Justice



<p><b>Session 01</b> <b>Onsite</b> <b>Saturday</b> 30.9.17</p> <p>10am to 3:30pm</p> <p><b>5 hrs. Gen. CPD</b></p>	<p><b>Lecture 1: Course Introduction:</b> Historical development of juvenile justice in Ireland; jurisdictional considerations and relevant venues; interface between criminal law and 'best interests'. <b>Judge John O'Connor</b></p> <p><b>Lecture 2: A Practical Guide to the Children Act:</b> an exploration of the key principles and provisions of the Children Act together with a reflection on the reality of the child's experience and their particular needs when interacting with the juvenile justice system (<b>two hours</b>). <b>Professor Ursula Kilkelly, Professor &amp; Dean of Law, UCC.</b></p> <p><b>Lecture 3: International Context</b> – International standards and the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child; The European Convention on HR and the ECHR Act 2003. <b>Tom O'Malley, Senior Lecturer/Barrister, NUI Galway</b></p> <p><b>Lecture 4: Initial responses to offending behavior:</b> The role of the child and Family Agency; family welfare conferences; formal and informal cautions; Children in care/children in special care; supervision; participating in restorative justice and community policing. <b>Shane Reynolds, Senior Associate, Mason Hayes &amp; Curran</b></p> <p><b>Lecture 5: The Children Court – the defence role - Part 1:</b> Taking instruction (in office, court, detention centre); advice to young defendant in Garda station; file preparation; practice and procedure – DC04 – defence lawyer's obligations; a young person's right to patriciate; Bail applications from the defence perspective. <b>Gareth Noble, Partner, KOD Lyons</b></p>
<p><b>Session 02</b> <b>Online Release</b> 05.10.17</p> <p><b>1 hr eCPD</b></p>	<p><b>Lecture 1: The Children Court – the defence role - Part 2:</b> Factors to be taken into account when giving evidence; awareness of childhood issues; requesting an intermediary/advocate/psychologist/psychiatrist/support person; advising parents and guardians – conflict with children's wishes; appeals. <b>Gareth Noble, Partner, KOD Lyons</b></p>
<p><b>Session 03 Onsite</b> <b>Saturday</b> 21.10.17 10am to 3:30pm</p> <p><b>2 hrs. Gen. &amp; 3.5 hrs. M&amp;PD CPD</b></p>	<p><b>Lecture 1: Initial responses to offending behavior - Part 1:</b> The Garda Diversion Programme. <b>Colette Quinn, Garda Diversion Programme</b></p> <p><b>Lecture 2: The Children Court – the prosecution role - Part 1:</b> File preparation for court; practice and procedure – DC04 – prosecution lawyer's obligations; prosecutorial delay and recent case law. <b>Terence Hamilton, Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions</b></p> <p><b>Lecture 3: The Children Court – the prosecution role - Part 2:</b> Bail applications from the defence perspective; cross examination and reduction of trauma for the child; using child-appropriate language. <b>Terence Hamilton, Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions</b></p> <p><b>Workshop I – Interactive Session</b></p> <p>Practical application through case studies and advocacy related role plays in relation to initial responses to offending behavior; the prosecution and defence role in the Children Court.</p>
<p><b>Session 04</b> <b>Online Release</b> 10.11.17</p> <p><b>1 hr eCPD</b></p>	<p><b>Lecture 1: The Judge's role in the court process</b> – Managing the court; age of child; S.75 Children Act – jurisdiction; appointing an intermediary; Bail; sentencing options (including 10 community sanctions and restorative justice programmes); interplay with mental health; conflict with rights vs welfare – the Judge's role; victims' rights. <b>Judge John O'Connor.</b></p>

# DIPLOMA CENTRE

## Certificate in Juvenile Justice



<p><b>Session 06 Onsite</b>  <b>Saturday</b>  25.11.17  10am to 3:30pm</p> <p><b>2 hrs. Gen. &amp; 4.5 hrs. M&amp;PD CPD</b></p>	<p><b>Lecture 1: Ancillary services – Part 1:</b> An Introduction to Oberstown Children Detention Campus; The Irish Youth Justice Service; the role of the Department of Justice &amp; Equality.</p> <p><b>Lecture 2: Ancillary services – Part 2:</b> The role of the Probation Service and the process involved; interview with children; preparation of reports for court; role of Probation supervision. <b>Margaret Griffin, Assistant Principal Probation Officer, Probation Service</b></p> <p><b>Lecture 3: Ancillary services – Part 3:</b> Child and Family Agency; the role of the CFA and the Children Act; Children in care, including residential care; children in secure residential care; family welfare conference; preparation for court; reports for Court. <b>Gareth Noble, KOD Lyons</b></p> <p><b>Workshop II – Interactive Session</b></p> <p>Practical application through case studies and advocacy related role plays and mini trials in relation to issues such as what lawyers know about children; the child as witness; the vulnerable witness; what the lawyer has to do differently; identification of issues and special measures required; the role of the judge and sentencing. <b>Fiona Donnelly, Institute of Professional Legal Studies, Queens' University, Belfast</b></p>
<p align="center"><b>Assignment Submission Date 13 January 2018</b></p>	

**Please note that topics & dates may be subject to change. Draft timetable as August 2017**

\* Gen = General, M&PD = Management and Professional Development, Reg = Regulatory and eLearning = eLearning CPD credits. **CPD Note:** The number of hours of CPD that you may claim in relation to your diploma/certificate course will depend on the way in which you access each of the individual sessions. For further information please visit the course homepage on our website: [www.lawsociety.ie/diplomacentre](http://www.lawsociety.ie/diplomacentre)