

## 2010 CMHS National GAINS Center Conference

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### Scholarship Overview & Application

#### Important Dates to Remember

Application Due Date – December 15, 2009

Award Notification Date – January 29, 2009

Conference Dates – March 17-19, 2009

#### General Information

A limited number of scholarships are available to support the attendance of consumer representatives at the National GAINS Center's 2010 Conference. Scholarships may cover some or all of the following costs: travel, meals, registration, and lodging. These scholarships are intended for individuals who consider themselves consumers of mental health/substance abuse services, particularly those who also have a history of contact with the justice system.

#### Criteria for awarding scholarships:

- ✓ Likelihood that the knowledge gained at the conference will be used to support conference goals, including expanding knowledge and skills pertaining to services that directly relate and affect persons with mental illness that come in contact with the criminal justice system.
- ✓ Geographic representation.
- ✓ Demonstrated need.

#### Defining Justice Involvement

Examples of involvement with the justice system may include, but are not limited to: interaction with a Crisis Intervention Team or a pre-booking jail diversion program; arrest; participation in any alternative to incarceration program, drug court or mental health court; incarceration; or community supervision programs such as probation and parole.

#### Supporting Material

As part of your application, please submit any relevant supporting material relating to your involvement in efforts to improve services for people with co-occurring disorders in the justice system.

#### Submitting Your Application

The application deadline is **Tuesday, December 15, 2009**. Mail, fax, or email your completed application, along with supporting materials, to Brian Case (contact information below).

#### Contact Person

Brian Case  
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**Scholarship Application**

The information supplied for this application will be kept confidential. It will not be used for any purpose other than determining scholarship recipients.

-----First Name-----Last Name-----

-----Mailing Address-----

-----Mailing Address-----

-----City-----State-----Zip-----

-----Daytime Phone-----E-mail Address-----

**Stakeholder Group (Check One):**

- Adult Consumer
- Juvenile Consumer
- Parent/Guardian of Juvenile Consumer

**Gender (Optional):**

- Female
- Male

**Cultural/Ethnic Group (Optional):**

- African American/Black
- Asian/Pacific Islander
- Caucasian/White
- Hispanic/Latino
- Native American
- Other

**My experiences are related to contact with the: (Check all that apply)**

- Criminal Justice System
- Juvenile Justice System
- Mental Health Service Delivery
- Substance Abuse Service Delivery

**Do you plan to participate in a panel or presentation at the 2010 conference?**

- Yes
- No

**If yes, name of presentation(s):** -----

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**Expenses I am requesting support for:**

- Hotel Accommodations
- Travel
- Meal Costs
- Ground Transportation
- Registration Fee

**Would you be willing to present if asked?**

- Yes
- No



