

# Alaska

- In 2024, the NCJFCJ fulfilled one request for technical assistance from **Alaska**.
- In 2024, the NCJFCJ trained 39 judges, judicial officers, attorneys, and other juvenile and family court-related professionals working to protect **Alaska's** children, families, and victims in our communities.
- As part of the Implementation Sites Project, the NCJFCJ provides targeted training and technical assistance to the **Fourth Judicial District Court in Fairbanks** to improve practice in the handling of child abuse and neglect cases, reduce the number of children in foster care, and improve outcomes for families.
- **Alaska** judicial system professionals participated in the NCJFCJ's Child Abuse and Neglect Institute (CANI). The CANI brought together a group of expert judicial faculty and subject matter experts to engage participants through instruction, case scenarios, and other active learning strategies. Some of the core topics of CANI include: the leadership role of the judge in child abuse and neglect cases; a review of federal laws and policies that drive the child abuse and neglect process; the Indian Child Welfare Act; reasonable efforts in judicial decision making; judicial ethics; and emerging issues in child welfare.
- Three judicial officers from **Alaska** attended the 2024 Institute for New Juvenile and Family Court Judges. The Institute is designed specifically for state and tribal judicial officers who are new to the bench, newly assigned to a juvenile or family rotation, or who are returning to the juvenile and family court bench after other assignments and desire a refresher course. This intensive and interactive four and a half day program, previously known as Core College, is designed so participants can leave with increased knowledge, practical tools, and an essential foundation of best practices to use in the cases coming before them.
- The NCJFCJ conducted a training on Early Pre-Court Legal Advocacy to the **Fourth Judicial District** in **Fairbanks**. This event provided training to judges and attorneys on various models of pre-petition legal advocacy for parents in child abuse and neglect cases and how to implement them.
- Judges and justice system professionals from **Alaska** received specialized child welfare, domestic violence, and juvenile justice training on current and cutting-edge topics and research during the NCJFCJ's Annual Conference and National Conference on Juvenile Justice.
- The NCJFCJ has six Judicial and Associate Members in **Alaska**.

## National Impact

In 2024, the NCJFCJ's work impacted approximately **4 million** families across the nation. Our publications amassed over **94,000** views, the team fulfilled over **150** requests for technical assistance, and trained over **15,000** judges, judicial officers, attorneys, and other juvenile and family-court related professionals across the nation.

- ▶ **Court Leadership & Education**  
Educate judges, court professionals, and community members about leadership skills and best practices to improve the justice system
- ▶ **Domestic Child Sex Trafficking**  
Improving outcomes for vulnerable and victimized children through judicial education and action
- ▶ **National Judicial Institute on Domestic Violence**  
Enhancing judicial skills to promote victim safety and batterer accountability
- ▶ **Juvenile Justice GPS**  
Providing juvenile justice policy, practice, and statistics by state
- ▶ **Trauma-Informed Courts & the Adolescent Brain**  
Promoting trauma-responsive courts and practices informed by science
- ▶ **Child Abuse & Neglect Institute**  
Improving outcomes for abused and neglected children through dependency court best practices
- ▶ **Military-Connected Families**  
Enhancing judicial skills to best serve military-connected families
- ▶ **Tribal Courts & ICWA**  
Promoting collaboration between tribal and state courts
- ▶ **Juvenile Drug Treatment Courts**  
Enhancing effectiveness in addressing youth substance abuse
- ▶ **Animal Cruelty**  
Understanding the link between animal abuse and other forms of violence
- ▶ **Implementation Sites & Project ONE**  
Approaching families holistically and improving outcomes for children in care
- ▶ **Self-Care & Wellness**  
Promoting judicial self-care and wellness for centering oneself for leadership

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