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CJAD Skills conference hosts hundreds of criminal justice professionals

The Community Justice Assistance Division (CJAD) of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) held its 22nd Skills for Effective Intervention Conference July 23-26 in Austin. The conference brought together about 300 community supervision officers and other criminal justice professionals from throughout the state, and offered four days of intensive workshops on a variety of community supervision and criminal justice topics, including evidence-based practices, domestic violence, gang awareness and substance abuse treatment. Nationally-recognized speakers included Dr. Christopher Lowenkamp with the Office of U.S. Probation and Pretrial Services, and Brian Lovins, Associate Director of the Corrections Institute for the University of Cincinnati School of Criminal Justice. ●



CJAD staff member Jessica Trevino discusses TDCJ oversight procedures with community supervision and corrections departments' employees.

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Brian Lovins, Associate Director of the Corrections Institute for the University of Cincinnati School of Criminal Justice, discusses how offenders' risks and needs are measured and how to put the assessment results into practice.

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