

# **Congressional Briefing: Children in Adult Jails & Prisons**

Please join us at a congressional briefing on children in adult jails and prisons on Tuesday, June 14, 2011, from 10:00 am – 11:00 am in the Senate Visitors Center. As the U.S. Department of Justice is considering final regulations to implement the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA), the briefing will focus on the importance of removing children from adult jails and prisons and feature a panel of experts who have been directly impacted to discuss why it is crucial for the U.S. Department of Justice to adopt a complete ban on placing youth in adult jails and prisons.

The panel will include Grace Warren, from Illinois; Mike Lawson, from Nevada; Mick McIntosh, from Mississippi; Pete Shevlino, from South Carolina; and Vicky Gunderson, from Wisconsin. They will share their experiences in a moderated forum, which will include questions from the audience. Each of these panelists has witnessed first-hand the impact that placing youth in adult jails and prisons can have on families and communities, and they will present their stories and their recommendations for improving the juvenile justice system.

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**Where:** U.S. Capitol Visitors Center, Senate Visitor Center Room 212-10,  
1st Street SE and East Capitol Street NE, Washington, D.C.

The briefing is cosponsored by the National Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Coalition (NJJJPC). NJJPC is a nonpartisan collaborative array of youth- and family- serving, social justice, law enforcement, corrections, and faith-based organizations, working to ensure healthy families, build strong communities and improve public safety by promoting fair and effective policies, practices and programs for youth involved or at risk of becoming involved in the juvenile and criminal justice systems.

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