



Court Appointed Special Advocates of Mendocino & Lake Counties



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**Office of Juvenile Justice
and Delinquency Prevention**
Working for Youth Justice and Safety



The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention's (OJJDP's) Model Programs Guide (MPG) contains information about evidence-based juvenile justice and youth prevention, intervention, and reentry programs. It is a resource for practitioners and communities about what works, what is promising, and what does not work in juvenile justice, delinquency prevention, and child protection and safety.

[Model Programs Guide](#)

⌚ The CASA Board of Directors meets on the 3rd Tuesday each month at 11:30am at the CASA office.

⌚ The Mendocino Co. Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention Commission meets monthly on the 3rd Friday noon to 2 p.m. at the Probation Dept. conference room, 589 Low Gap Road, Ukiah.

⌚ The Lake Co. Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention Commission meets monthly on the 3rd Thursday at noon, conference room C, on the 3rd floor of the Lake County Courthouse, 255 N. Forbes St., Lakeport.

CASA of Mendocino and Lake Counties

HAS A DREAM...

*that all children
are in a safe and
loving environment and
they grow and thrive to
their greatest potential.*



Call 463-6503, visit us at www.mendocinocasa.org or find us on [Facebook](#) for more information about the many ways to VOLUNTEER with CASA of Mendocino & Lake Counties.

Drugging Our Kids

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Children in California's foster care system are prescribed unproven, risky medications at alarming rates. They are wrenched from abusive homes, uprooted again and again, often with their life's belongings stuffed into a trash bag.

Abandoned and alone, they are among California's most powerless children. But instead of providing a stable home and caring family, the state's foster care system gives them a pill.

With alarming frequency, foster and health care providers are turning to a risky but convenient remedy to control the behavior of thousands of troubled kids: numbing them with psychiatric drugs that are untested on and often not approved for children.

[Drugging](#)

**Early
Childhood
Experiences**



**Shape
Health & Well-Being
Throughout Life**

It may not be surprising to hear that the earliest years of our lives are important in many ways. It may, however, come as a surprise to most people to learn that one of those ways is how those early years set us on paths leading toward or away from good health. During the last 15 to 20 years, accumulated knowledge has revealed that family income and education, neighborhood resources, and other social and economic factors affect health at every stage of life, but the effects on young children are particularly dramatic.

[Early Childhood](#)

Sips, Eats & Sweets



**3rd
Annual**

♥ Hors d'oeuvre Taste-Off

♥ Sweets Delectables Taste-Off

♥ Celebrity Judge Panel ♥ Silent Auction

♥ Award-winning BARRA Wines*

An evening of fun, competitive hors d'oeuvre and sweet tastings, and exciting silent auction bidding to benefit the children served by the Court Appointed Special Advocates of Mendocino & Lake Counties.

Sat., Nov 8, 2014

6:00 - 8:30 p.m.

BARRA
of MENDOCINO

2051 N. State St. * Redwood Valley

Sips, Eats, & Sweets:

\$5 in advance/\$20 at the door

*Sips wine tickets sold separately at event only

\$5/each or 5/\$25

♥ Mendocino Book Co. in Ukiah

♥ First Five Lake County

♥ CASA of Mendocino & Lake Counties by
calling 707-463-6503

MUST BE 21 OR OLDER TO ATTEND.

**"CASA of Mendocino & Lake Counties
trains & supports volunteer adult mentors
to connect & advocate for foster youth,
former foster youth, delinquent & at-risk youth."**