

 COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATE

 PRE-SERVICE TRAINING SCHEDULE

**August 7, 2018 (*Tues.*) Orientation 9:00am-1:00pm**

Introduction to CASA & our local Child Welfare system; Ch1 Pre-work assignment: Bleux Case

Speakers: **Janet Walden, Executive Director; and the CASA Staff**

**August 9, 2018 (*Thurs.*) Chapter I 9:00am-1:00pm**

Introducing the CASA/GAL Volunteer Role; Ch2 Pre-work assignment

*Trainers: Natalie Vinzant & Kristin Lesutis*

**August 14, 2018 (*Tues.*) Chapter II 9:00am-1:00pm**

The Well-Being of the Child; Ch3 Pre-work assignment

*Trainers: Natalie Vinzant & Keyla Alleyne*

**August 16, 2018 (*Thurs.*) Chapter III 9:00am-1:00pm**

Trauma, Resilience, & Communication Skills; Ch4 Pre-work assignment

*Trainers: Natalie Vinzant & Susan Rigdon*

**August 21, 2018 (*Tues.*) Chapter IV 9:00am-1:00pm**

Mental Health, Poverty, & Professional Communication; Ch5 Pre-work assignment

*Trainers: Natalie Vinzant & Sally Patrick*

**August 23, 2018 (*Thurs.*) Chapter V 9:00am-1:00pm**

Substance Abuse & Cultural Competence; Ch6 Pre-work assignment

*Trainers: Natalie Vinzant & Wyndie Burke*

**August 28, 2018 (*Tues.*) Chapter VI 9:00am-1:00pm**

Domestic Violence & Cultural Competence; Ch7 Pre-work assignment

*Trainers: Natalie Vinzant & Wyndie Burke*

**August 30, 2018 (*Thurs.*) Chapter VII 9:00am-1:00pm**

Educational Advocacy, Older Youth, & LGBTQ Youth; Ch8 Pre-work assignment

*Trainers: Natalie Vinzant & Kristin Lesutis*

**September 4, 2018 (*Tues.*) Chapter VIII 9:00am-1:00pm**

Curriculum Wrap-Up; Panel of CASA Volunteers. Complete courtroom observation.

*Trainers: Natalie Vinzant & Keyla Alleyne*

**September 6, 2018 (*Thurs.*) Expert Panel 9:00am-1:00pm**

**Pot Luck Meal** - Hear from various experts in child welfare.

**September 11, 2018 (*Tues.*) Swearing-In Ceremony (Time TBD)**

Speaker: **Juvenile Court Judge**

 **10 hours of court observation is required**

**Training Location: The Little House, 603 Washington Street SW, Gainesville, GA 30501 (770) 531-1964**

 **Light refreshments will be served each session of training.**