Emerging Adults and the Criminal Justice System: 
Charting the Course for Policy and Practice 
Friday, February 19, 2016
9:00 am – 5:00 pm
Loyola University Chicago - 25 East Pearson, 10th Floor, Chicago Illinois 

“(W)e have not paid enough attention to the later teenage and early adult years as a discrete period of social and behavioral development... If we hope to gain a complete understanding of what works to prevent delinquency from evolving into persistent criminal behavior, we need to look more closely at this critical stage of life and develop our sense of effective interventions and categories of appropriate sanctions.”
Assistant Attorney General Laurie O. Robinson
Foreword, From Delinquency to Adult Crime, Oxford University Press, June 2011

Join Loyola University’s Center for Criminal Justice Research, Policy and Practice & Civitas ChildLaw Center to develop priorities for improving the outcomes of young adults involved in the criminal justice system and enhancing the safety of our communities.
This conference will culminate a year-long effort to examine challenges and opportunities arising when emerging adults are involved in the justice system.

Convened with the support of the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, this conference will highlight insights gleaned from research, data analysis, best practice and the perspectives of front-line practitioners, with the goal of articulating concrete priorities for policy and practice reforms which can improve outcomes for emerging adults and our communities.

Space is limited. Register at: www.luc.edu/emergingadults
This program has been approved by the Illinois MCLE Board for 5.75 hours of Professionalism CLE credit.
Confirmed Speakers:

Welcome and Introduction to the Center
Diane Geraghty, J.D. (Kathleen Beazley Chair in ChildLaw; Professor Director, Civitas ChildLaw Center)
Laurie R. Garduque, Ph.D. (Director, Justice Reform, John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation)

Why Emerging Adults Matter
Rolf Loeber, Ph.D. (Distinguished University Professor of Psychiatry, Professor of Psychology and Epidemiology, University of Pittsburgh; Professor of Juvenile Delinquency and Social Development at the Free University, Amsterdam, Netherlands)

Bringing Developmental Science into the Conversation
Thomas Grisso, Ph.D. (Professor Emeritus in Psychiatry at the University of Massachusetts Medical School; Professor and Researcher, University of Massachusetts Law and Psychiatry Program)

Emerging Adults: The Story in Data
David Olson, Ph.D. (Professor, Criminal Justice and Criminology Department and Director, Graduate Program in Criminal Justice and Criminology, Loyola University Chicago)

Public Health Approaches to Crime and Violence
Howard Spivak, MD (Deputy Director and Chief of Staff, National Institute of Justice, Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs)

Risk, Needs and Strengths Assessment with Emerging Adults
Gina M. Vincent, Ph.D. (Associate Professor, Director of Translational Law & Psychiatry Research, Systems & Psychosocial Advances Research Center (SPARC))

Sentencing Policy and Custodial Considerations
Don Stemen, Ph.D (Associate Professor and Chairperson, Department of Criminal Justice and Criminology and Graduate Faculty at Loyola University, Chicago)

Alternate Models of Justice in the US and Abroad: Panel Discussion
Marc Schindler, JD (Executive Director, Justice Policy Institute)

Marcus Bullock (Chief Executive Officer, Perspectives Premier Contractors and Founder, FlikShop, LLC)

Brent Cohen, MPA (Senior Advisor to the Assistant Attorney General of Justice Programs, United States Department of Justice)

Marc Levin, JD (Right on Crime Policy Director, Director of the Center for Effective Justice at the Texas Public Policy Foundation)

Vincent Schiraldi, MSW (Senior Research Fellow, Program in Criminal Justice Policy and Management, Malcolm Wiener Center for Social Policy, Harvard Kennedy School of Government)

Where Do We Go from Here? Priorities for Policy and Practice Change
Lisa Jacobs, JD (Center for Criminal Justice Research, Policy and Practice, Loyola University Chicago)