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Juvenile Justice Policy and Oversight Committee

The Juvenile Justice Policy and Oversight Committee (JJPOC) and the Tow Youth Justice Institute (TYJI) cordially invite you to an important informational session on “Recidivism and Juvenile Justice” and “Adolescent Brain Development” by nationally recognized leaders in both fields, Dr. Edward Latessa and Elizabeth Cauffman:



Edward J. Latessa received his PhD from The Ohio State University and is director and professor in the School of Criminal Justice at the University of Cincinnati. He has published more than 150 works in the area of juvenile justice, criminal justice, and corrections and is the author of eight books, including *What Works (and Doesn't) in Reducing Recidivism*, *Corrections in the Community*, and *Corrections in America*. Latessa has directed more than 150 funded research projects, including studies of day reporting centers, juvenile justice programs, drug courts, prison programs, intensive supervision programs, halfway houses, and drug programs. He and his staff have also assessed more than 600 correctional programs throughout the United States, and he has provided assistance and workshops in more than 45 states.



Elizabeth Cauffman is a professor and chancellor's fellow in the Department of Psychology and Social Behavior and holds courtesy appointments in the Schools of Education and Law at the University of California, Irvine (UCI). Cauffman received her PhD from Temple University and completed a post-doctoral fellowship at the Center on Adolescence at Stanford University. She has published more than 100 articles and chapters on a range of topics, including adolescent brain development, risk taking, and juvenile justice. Findings from Cauffman's research were incorporated into the American Psychological Association's amicus briefs submitted to the U.S. Supreme Court in *Roper v. Simmons*, which abolished the juvenile death penalty, and in both *Graham v. Florida* and *Miller v. Alabama*, which placed limits on the use of life without parole as a sentence for juveniles. She served as a member of the MacArthur Foundation's Research Network on Adolescent Development and Juvenile Justice and currently directs the Center for Psychology & Law at UCI.

This informative forum will take place on **February 18, 2016 at 10AM to 12PM** at the Legislative Office Building, 300 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT, 06106.

All legislators, policymakers, leaders of State and local agencies and governments, advocates, human service providers, parents and youth are invited to attend.

Connecticut is recognized as a leader in juvenile justice reform in the country. Join us to learn more about how to continue and expand new initiatives and policies.