



Children's Law Center
Joseph F. Rice School of Law
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

GAL and CASA Training: Infant Mental Health and Safe Baby Courts in South Carolina

Who should attend: Staff, volunteer guardians, and attorneys with the Cass Elias McCarter Guardian ad Litem Program and Richland County CASA

Overview: This training, offered exclusively for current guardians and attorneys with the Cass Elias McCarter Guardian ad Litem Program and Richland County CASA, will provide a primer on infant mental health, the services and programs offered by the South Carolina Infant Mental Health Association, and the state of the Safe Baby Court program and its sites in South Carolina. At the end of the training, a lived expert in the foster care system will share the importance of the volunteer's role in the child welfare case.

This training will be offered on a virtual platform. The links will be sent to each registrant near the date of the training.

Date: July 17, 2026

Time: 9:00 am to 11:15 am

We recommend you log in by 8:50 am to ensure attendance is recorded and deal with any technical difficulties you might experience.

Fee: There is no charge for this training.

Continuing Education Credits: This training is approved for 2.25 hours of continuing education units (CEUs) for social work credit hours.

For more information: Contact Meghan Peddicord at PEDDICOM@mailbox.sc.edu with any registration questions or Cody Lidge at lidge@mailbox.sc.edu with questions about the training.

To register: Go to the Children's Law Center registration system at https://sc.edu/clc/public/training_details.php?info=MTQ5NTAzMTAwMX4xNzY2fjQ1MjA0NzUwMQ%3D%3D.