

# New Online “Centers” Help Courts Deal with Family Violence and Other Issues

**T**he National Center for State Courts (NCSC) launched two new Web pages in early 2005 dedicated to helping courts apply problem-solving techniques to the justice system. Users can access these pages on NCSC’s Web site at [www.ncsc.org](http://www.ncsc.org).

The *Problem-Solving Courts Resource Center* ([http://www.ncsconline.org/D\\_Research/Problem-Solving.html](http://www.ncsconline.org/D_Research/Problem-Solving.html)) puts in one place the information and other resources court leaders need to help establish the problem-solving approach in their jurisdictions. Help is provided in three areas:

- Help for Courts (including consulting and information)
- Administration for Problem-Solving Courts (including best practices and theory and ethics)
- Resources on Specific Types of Courts (including drug and mental health courts)

This Web page is maintained by NCSC’s Problem-Solving Courts Community of Practice.

Courts needing resources dealing with domestic violence can now turn to the *Center for Family Violence and the Courts* (<http://www.ncsconline.org/famviol/index.html>). This online clearinghouse consolidates court-related information and resources in five sections:

- Newsletter (current and past issues of NCSC’s *Family Violence Forum*)
- Resources (information on many important topics, such as elder abuse and workplace domestic violence)
- Education (course offerings of the Institute for Court Management and other domestic-violence-related curricula)
- Research (the latest NCSC projects in family violence, juvenile and family justice, and other areas)
- Funding (sources of funding for family-violence-related projects, including the Violence Against Women Office)

This Web page is maintained by NCSC’s Family Violence Forum, a community of practice dedicated to improving the justice system’s response to family violence. 

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