The Florida Accreditation conference was held June 25-29, 2012 at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point in Bonita Springs. Florida Accreditation thanks the Florida Police Accreditation Coalition for their dedication and hard work in making this conference a success. We also thank the Lee County Sheriff’s Office, Lee County Pretrial Services, and the Cape Coral Police Department for hosting the conference. The volunteers were greatly appreciated for their many hours dedicated to the conference.

The Florida Corrections Accreditation Commission (FCAC) met on June 26, 2012. The first order of business was to grant excelsior reaccreditation to the Jacksonville Corrections Department and the Marion County Sheriff’s Office Jail. This is the first time in FCAC history that any agency has been granted excelsior status, which means the agency has successfully completed five reaccreditations without conditions. Other facilities receiving reaccreditation in Bonita Springs included the Clay County Corrections Bureau, Suwannee County Sheriff’s Office Jail, Osceola County Corrections Department, Sumter County Sheriff’s Office Detention Facility, and the Lee County Pretrial Services Department.

The Standards Review and Interpretations Committee met on June 25, 2012 and recommended changes to FCAC standards. The Change Notice and updated Standards Manuals may be found on the website at www.flaccreditation.org.

On June 26 following the FCAC Commission Meeting, an awards luncheon was held to recognize the FCAC Assessor of the Year, Accreditation Manager of the Year, and the Distinguished Service Award winner. The 2011 Assessor of the Year is David Harvey of the Jacksonville Corrections Department, the Accreditation Manager of the Year is Joanne Figdore of the Martin County Sheriff’s Office Jail, and the Distinguished Service Award winners were Wanda White of the Escambia County Sheriff’s Office Jail and Jeffrey Jarvis of the Brevard County Sheriff’s Office Jail Complex. Congratulations to all of this year’s winners!

The Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation, Inc. (CFA) met on June 28, 2012 to review agencies for accredited status and conduct general business.

The main order of business was to acknowledge the professionalism of agencies through granting accreditation. The Fort Myers Police Department was awarded initial accreditation. The following agencies were reaccredited by the Commission at this meeting: Cocoa Police Department, Gulfport Police Department, and the Department of Financial Services Division of Insurance Fraud. The University of Florida Police Department and the Martin County Sheriff’s Office were awarded reaccreditation by the Commission with recognition as Excelsior Agencies.
The CFA Standards Review and Interpretations Committee met on June 27, chaired by Commissioner Julie Jones, and made several recommendations for standards modifications to the Commission. The CFA Standards Change Notice is posted on the website, www.flaccreditation.org.

On June 28 following the CFA Commission Meeting, an awards luncheon was held to recognize the CFA Assessor of the Year, Accreditation Manager of the Year, and the Neil J. Perry Distinguished Service Award winner. The 2011 Assessor of the Year is Ron Cave from the Department of Environmental Protection, the Accreditation Manager of the Year is Dean Kelly of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, and the Neil J. Perry Distinguished Service Award winner is Dean Register of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement Office of Inspector General. Congratulations to each of this year’s winners!

The Florida Accreditation Office (FAO) offered several opportunities for training at the June conference. Chapter specific training was offered at this conference and was very well received. The FAO will continue to serve the training needs of our clients as we offer training across the state. Staff is continuing their work with Innovative Data Solutions on the PowerStandards software. Many agencies are currently using this module of PowerDMS to manage the accreditation process. If your agency has not had the opportunity to begin using PowerStandards, please contact your Program Manager.

The next Commission meetings are scheduled for September 25th and 27th at the Hyatt Regency Sarasota. We look forward to seeing you there!
Congratulations

2011 Awards Program Winners

Accreditation Manager of the Year
Dean Kelly, FWC

Assessor of the Year
Ron Cave, DEP

Sheriff Neil J. Perry Service Award
Dean Register, FDLE IG
Congratulations
2011 Awards Program Winners

Distinguished Service Award
Wanda White, Escambia Co SO & Jeffrey Jarvis, Brevard Co SO

Assessor of the Year
David Harvey, Jacksonville Dept. of Corrections

Accreditation Manager of the Year
Joanne Figdore, Martin Co SO

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Sheriff Bob Hansell  
Osceola County Sheriff’s Office

Sheriff Robert E. Hansell, a member of the Osceola County Sheriff’s Office since 1976, has spent his entire law enforcement career with the agency. He began as a deputy sheriff and earned promotions to the rank of captain. He has served as a member and commander of the agency’s SWAT team, and as the high-risk incident commander. Prior to being elected Sheriff of Osceola County, Bob Hansell had worked in, supervised and managed virtually every area of the agency.

Sheriff Hansell serves as the co-chair of the Florida Region 5 Domestic Security Task Force. Sheriff Hansell is a past chairman of the Sheriff’s Office United Way campaign. He sits on the board of directors of the following organizations: Osceola County Council on Aging, Osceola County Investigative Bureau, Metropolitan Bureau of Investigation, Technical Education Center of Osceola (TECO), Give Kids Safe Shelter, Boys and Girls Club, Osceola Regional Area Council, Park Place Behavioral, Florida Hospital, Community Vision, YMCA, and Crimeline.

Pretrial Services Supervisor Susan Burdette  
Orange County Corrections Pretrial Unit

Susan Burdette graduated with a B.A. in Criminal Justice in 1977 from Florida Technological University (now the University of Central Florida). Following a career start as one of only a few women in the Security Department at Walt Disney World, she joined the staff of Orange County Corrections in 1979. She has been employed with Orange County Corrections for 28 years, serving as a Pretrial Diversion officer, a Pretrial Diversion supervisor and Probation supervisor. Currently she is the supervisor of Orange County Pretrial Services. She is a past Chapter President of the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency (FCCD) and a past recipient of the Louie L. Wainwright Award. She is currently a member of several professional organizations, including the FCCD, the Association of Pretrial Professionals of Florida (APPF), the Florida Association of Community Corrections (FACC) and the National Association of Pretrial Services Agencies (NAPSA).

Over the past few years she has been instrumental in the expansion of Orange County Correction’s Pretrial Services Unit into a 24/7 operation vital to the operation of the in-jail first appearance process, which included a move into the new Booking and Release Center.
CONGRATULATIONS TO THE AGENCIES ACCREDITED AND REACCREDITED AT THE BONITA SPRINGS CONFERENCE!

INITIAL ACCREDITATIONS:

Fort Myers Police Department

REACCREDITATIONS

- Jacksonville Dept. of Corrections
- Marion County Jail
- Clay County Corrections Bureau
- Suwannee County Jail
- Osceola County Corrections Dept.
- Sumter County Detention Facility
- Lee County Pretrial Services Dept.

- Univserity of Florida Police Department
- Martin County Sheriff’s Office
- Division of Insurance Fraud
- Cocoa Police Department
- Gulfport Police Department

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UPCOMING ACCREDITATION CONFERENCES

SEPTEMBER 24 - 28, 2012
Hyatt Regency, Sarasota

FEBRUARY 17 - 22, 2013
Mission Inn Resort & Club, Howey-in-the-Hills

JUNE 24 - JUNE 28, 2013
Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort & Spa, Bonita Springs

SEPTEMBER 23 - 27, 2013
Hyatt Regency, Sarasota
Designed for the newly assigned Accreditation Manager or members from agencies that are considering pursuing accreditation or reaccreditation.

- Program Overview
- Commission History
- Standard Interpretation
- Organizational Involvement & CEO Commitment
- Accreditation Mgr. Role & Responsibilities
- Accreditation Manager® Software Demonstration

Accreditation Manager Training: October 24-25

Safe Schools Institute
1790 N.W. Spanish River Blvd.
Boca Raton, FL 33431

***Please Contact Sgt. Bob Thomas (561) 357-7503 with any questions pertaining to the location

New Assessor Orientation Training: October 17-18

University of Central Florida Police Dept.
Building 150
Orlando, FL 32816

***The course will be held in the third floor training room with parking passes to be provided at the Records Window when attendees check in. Attendees should park in lot B-17 directly across from the front entrance of the police department.

***Please Contact Monica King (407) 882-2434 with any questions pertaining to the location

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