

# PAARI 2025 NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMIT AGENDA



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## Monday, February 24th, 2025

5:00-9:00 PM	<b>Welcome Celebration</b>	Hotel Flor - 905 N Florida Ave, Tampa, FL 33602
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## Tuesday, February 25th, 2025

8:30-9:00 AM	<b>Check-in, Networking, and Breakfast</b>	Hotel Flor - 905 N Florida Ave, Tampa, FL 33602
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9:00-9:15 AM	<b>Welcome</b>	<b>Mayor Jane Castor</b> , City of Tampa
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9:15-9:30 AM	PAARI 101	<b>Brittney Garrett</b> , Senior Director of Public Safety Engagement and Strategy, PAARI
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9:30-9:35 AM	<b>Message from our Sponsor</b>	
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9:35-10:30 AM	Law Enforcement Champions in the Field of Deflection	<p><b>Sarko Gergerian</b>, MS, MHC, CARC, Lieutenant, Winthrop Police Department</p> <p><b>Dwayne Harris</b>, Sergeant, Seminole County Sheriff's Office Drug Enforcement and Behavioral Services Division</p> <p><b>Maria Yturria</b>, Deputy Chief, Richland County Sheriff's Department</p> <p><b>Ryan Macherone</b>, Lieutenant, Schenectady Police Department</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> <b>Brittney Garrett</b>, Senior Director of Public Safety Engagement and Strategy, PAARI</p>
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10:30-10:40 AM	<b>Break</b>	
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10:40-11:30 AM	<b>Breakout Session 1: Choose one</b>	
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Floridan Ballroom	National Standards for Data Collection	<p><b>Dr. Sean Varano</b>, Professor of Criminal Justice, Roger Williams University</p> <p><b>Pamela Kelley</b>, Executive Director, Kelley Research Associates</p> <p><b>Kelly Firesheets</b>, PsyD, Vice President, Strategy and Partnerships, Cordata Healthcare</p>
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Crystal Ballroom	LEAD with a SMILE	<p><b>Erin Flaxman</b>, LMSW, Program Coordinator, West Columbia Police Department LEAD</p> <p><b>Sophie Sumpter</b>, LMSW, Case Coordinator, West Columbia Police Department LEAD</p> <p><b>Rhonda DiNovo</b>, LISW-CP, Work Consultant, West Columbia Police Department</p>
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Mezzanine	Leveraging Public-Private Partnerships Addressing Mental Health and Harmful Substance Abuse	<p><b>Mike Lee</b>, Chief Deputy, Executive Command, Harris County Sheriff's Office</p> <p><b>Leonard Kincaid</b>, LCDR, LPC, MBA, Chief Executive Officer, Houston Recovery Center</p>
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11:35-12:25 PM	<b>Breakout Session 2: Choose one</b>	
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Floridan Ballroom	Engagement without the Expensive Ring: How to Get Officer Buy-In for Your Deflection Program	<p><b>Karen Maline</b>, Project Manager, International Association of Chiefs of Police</p> <p><b>Anthony Holloway</b>, Chief of Police, Saint Petersburg Police Department</p> <p><b>Dawn Schwartz</b>, Community Overdose Action Team Project Manager, Public Health, Dayton and Montgomery County</p>
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Crystal Ballroom	Reducing Trauma to First Responders Handling Overdose Incidents	<b>Lynette Falzone</b> , Assistant Chief, Fort Lauderdale Police Department
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Mezzanine	PAARI Pros Meet and Greet	<b>Meet and receive guidance and mentorship from our group of seasoned professionals in the world of deflection programs!</b>
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12:25-1:20 PM	<b>Lunch</b>	
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1:20-2:10 PM	<b>Breakout Session 3: Choose one</b>	
Floridan Ballroom	Building Trust Between Police and Community in Deflection	<b>Mica L. Williams</b> , Senior Program Manager, TASC's Center for Health and Justice <b>Anthony Holloway</b> , Chief of Police, Saint Petersburg Police Department <b>Jason Schaak</b> , Assistant Chief, Community Risk Reduction for the City of West Allis Fire Department
Crystal Ballroom	Powerful Partnerships: Multi-Sector Collaborations Driving Solutions to Substance Use and Crime	<b>Stephanie Thompson</b> , MPA, Public Health Analyst - Vermont, CDC Foundation/New England HIDTA Program – Overdose Response Strategy <b>James Downes, III</b> , MS, Drug Intelligence Officer - Vermont, CDC Foundation/New England HIDTA Program – Overdose Response Strategy
Mezzanine	Increasing Engagement in Substance Use Treatment through Academic, Community and Law Enforcement Partnerships	<b>Stacey Cunnington</b> , MPH, Senior Program and Communication Manager, Boston University School of Public Health Sickle Cell Trait Awareness Initiative <b>Merideth Hurley</b> , RN, MPH, Director, Winthrop Department of Public Health & Clinical Services <b>Jacey Greece</b> , DSc, MPH, Clinical Professor, Boston University School of Public Health <b>Sarko Gergerian</b> , MS, MHC, CARC, Lieutenant, Winthrop Police Department
2:15-3:05 PM	<b>Breakout Session 4: Choose one</b>	
Floridan Ballroom	Rethinking Criminal Justice: Jail Diversion Programs as Pathways to Recovery	<b>Linda Davis</b> , Executive Director, Face Addiction Now <b>Dunya Barash</b> , Director of Operations, Face Addiction Now
Crystal Ballroom	Integrating Homeless Outreach in Deflection Efforts	<b>Nicole Jenkins</b> , Customer Success Associate, Cordata Healthcare <b>Thomas Franks</b> , Detective, Franklin County Sheriff's Office <b>Liz Evans</b> , BSCN, MEd, Director of Harm Reduction, Liberations Programs <b>Maggie Rogers</b> , Executive Director, Catholic Charities <b>Cameron Breen</b> , Street Outreach Case Manager, Liberations Programs
Mezzanine	Deflection as a Health Intervention? A Conversation about Preliminary Outcomes from Montgomery County, Ohio's QRT	<b>Kelly Firesheets</b> , PsyD, Vice President, Strategy and Partnerships, Cordata Healthcare <b>Randy Carmack</b> , MSW, LSW, LICDC, CPRS, Peer Mentor, Public Health - Dayton and Montgomery County <b>Dawn Schwartz</b> , Community Overdose Action Team Project Manager, Public Health—Dayton and Montgomery County <b>Casey Smith</b> , MPH, CHES, Director of Account and Project Management, Ascend Innovations
3:05-3:15 PM	<b>Break</b>	
3:15-4:45 PM	<b>Breakout Session 5: Choose one</b>	
Floridan Ballroom	Collaboration Over Competition: Breaking Down Silos	<b>Amanda Consigli</b> , Massachusetts Public Health Analyst, CDC Foundation <b>Tara Hyde</b> , MPAP, CEO & Recovery Ecosystem Scientist, People Advocating Recovery <b>Natashia Patricio</b> , Project Coordinator, New Bedford Police Department
Crystal Ballroom	Braiding Funds, Building Futures: Hamilton County, Ohio's Innovative Funding Approach for Sustainable, Community-Based Addiction Response Programming	<b>Meagan Guthrie</b> , Director, Hamilton County Office of Addiction Response <b>Michael Davenport</b> , Commander, Hamilton County Heroin Task Force and Quick Response Team <b>Abigail Fritsch</b> , Grants and Strategic Initiatives Administrator, Hamilton County Office of Addiction Response
Mezzanine	Embedding Personnel: Effective Program Implementation Strategies	<b>Robyn Goff</b> , Director of Community Justice Programs, Volunteers of America <b>Tia Poulin</b> , Program Manager, Volunteers of America <b>Abena Bediako</b> , Clinical Manager, Durham Community Safety Department, City of Durham

		<b>Whitney Alston-Brown</b> , LCMHCA, LCASA
4:45-5:00 PM	<b>Day 1 Closing Remarks</b>	
5:00-8:00 PM	<b>Reception</b>	Tampa River Center - 402 W Laurel St, Tampa, FL 33607

<b>Wednesday, February 26th, 2025</b>		
8:30-9:00 AM	<b>Check-in, Networking, and Breakfast</b>	Hotel Flor - 905 N Florida Ave, Tampa, FL 33602
9:00-9:10 AM	<b>Welcome</b>	
9:15-10:45 AM	<b>Breakout Session 6: Choose one</b>	
Floridan Ballroom	Hub Situation Tables: Implementation, Lessons Learned, and Practical Advice	<b>Dan Cortez</b> , HUB Manager, Chelsea, MA <b>Keith Houghton</b> , Chief of Police, Chelsea, MA <b>Michelle Cejka</b> , Adult Behavioral Health Coordinator, Schenectady County <b>Nicholas Mannix</b> , Sergeant, Schenectady Police Department <i>Moderator: Mike Botieri</i> , Senior Community Engagement Specialist, Cordata Healthcare
Crystal Ballroom	Innovative Solutions: From Crisis to Care	<b>Booker T. Hodges</b> , Chief of Police, Bloomington Police Department <b>Andrea Darr</b> , Technical Expert Lead, JBS International
10:45-11:00 AM	<b>Break</b>	
11:00-11:50 AM	<b>Breakout Session 7: Choose one</b>	
Floridan Ballroom	Bridging the Gap: Hamilton County Ohio's Response to Family Members Left Behind - A Collaborative Model Between Public Health and the Heroin Task Force	<b>Michael Davenport</b> , Commander, Hamilton County Heroin Task Force and Quick Response Team <b>Melanie Gibboney</b> , Senior Community Outreach Coordinator, Hamilton County Public Health <b>Peggy Schneider</b> , Overdose Fatality Review Investigative Liaison, Hamilton County Heroin Task Force
Crystal Ballroom	Lived Experience in Action: Personal Journeys and Insights on Law Enforcement and Recovery	<b>Leo Petrilli</b> , Ret. Border Services Officer, Canada Border Services Agency <b>Malia Fox</b> , Founder, RIPple Drug Education & Awareness <b>Cameron Breen</b> , Street Outreach Case Manager, Liberation Programs <i>Moderator: Steve Jesi</i> , Board Member, PAARI
Mezzanine	Strengthening Behavioral Health Partnerships: Developing Community Pathways in Parole	<b>Geneva Weymouth</b> , LMHC, CCHP, Senior Clinical Evaluator, Justice & Health Equity <b>Whitney Kraemer</b> , LMHC, Senior Director, Justice & Health Equity <b>Andrew Peck</b> , Undersecretary of Public Safety for Criminal Justice, Executive Office of Public Safety in Massachusetts
11:55-12:45 PM	<b>Breakout Session 8: Choose one</b>	
Floridan Ballroom	Extending Internal Comprehensive Wellness Programming to the Community Through Evidence-Based Deflection	<b>Allison Farrell</b> , Director of Wellness and Resiliency, Richland County Sheriff's Department <b>Maria Yturria</b> , Deputy Chief, Richland County Sheriff's Department <b>Allison Smith</b> , Assistant Director of Wellness and Resiliency and LEAD Program Manager, Richland County Sheriff's Department
Crystal Ballroom	The Alignment of Treatment Courts and Sequential Intercept Model - A Community-based Approach	<b>Julie Seitz</b> , LGSW, MSW, LADC, Project Director, Impaired Driving Solutions, All Rise <b>Vanessa Matthews</b> , Division Director, Treatment Court Institute <b>Jacqueline Van Wormer</b> , Director, Center for Advancing Justice
Mezzanine	Allegheny County LEAD: A Multi-Municipal Case Study	<b>Kelley Kelley</b> , Director of Public Safety & Wellbeing, CONNECT <b>Joey Brantle</b> , LEAD Project Director, CONNECT

12:45-1:30 PM	<b>Lunch</b>	
1:30-2:20 PM	<b>Breakout Session 9: Choose one</b>	
Floridan Ballroom	Grant Writing for Law Enforcement 101	<b>Eric Atkinson</b> , City Administrator/Ret. Police Chief, City of Menomonee <b>Amanda Chapman</b> , MSSW, LCSW, Community Resource Supervisor , Jeffersonstown Police Department <b>Michael Davenport</b> , Assistant Commander, Hamilton County Heroin Task Force and Quick Response Team
Crystal Ballroom	How We Think about Substance Use Matters: Amplifying the Voices of Individuals with Lived Experience to Increase Collaboration and Partnership amongst Peers Stakeholders	<b>Alex Figueroa</b> , MPA, Deputy Director SAFE Communities, SAFE Project <b>Borden Barrows</b> , Director of Programming, Hand2HeartDC
Mezzanine	Public Health & Safety: Collaborating to Turn Advocacy into Action	<b>Libby Jones</b> , Program Director, Overdose Prevention Initiative at the Global Health Advocacy Incubator <b>Stacey Ann Kincaid</b> , Sheriff, Fairfax County, VA <b>Karl Leonard</b> , Sheriff, Chesterfield County, VA
2:25-3:15 PM	<b>Breakout Session 10: Choose one</b>	
Floridan Ballroom	How Meta is Addressing High-Risk Drugs	<b>Jim Crotty</b> , Law Enforcement Outreach Manager, Meta Platforms, Inc.
Crystal Ballroom	Bridging the Gap: Reducing Stigma and Building Compassion through Police and Peers Programming	<b>Joston Holmes</b> , Continuum of Care Policies Manager, West Virginia Office of Drug Control Policy
Mezzanine	Mobilizing Law Enforcement and Communities for Overdose Prevention and Response	<b>Dr. Susan Margaret Murphy</b> , President, Drug Intervention Institute, Inc. <b>Jeff Hill</b> , Executive Director, Wilson County Substance Prevention Coalition
3:15-3:30 PM	<b>Break</b>	
3:30-4:20 PM	<b>Breakout Session 11: Choose one</b>	
Floridan Ballroom	Patrolling the Streets: How Law Enforcement and Harm Reduction Can Work Together	<b>Anna Gasinski</b> , Public Health Analyst –Overdose Response Strategy, CDC Foundation <b>Robert Lawlor Jr.</b> , Drug Intelligence Officer, New England HIDTA/ORS
Crystal Ballroom	Lowcountry Lowdown: How collaboration and communication is working in coastal South Carolina.	<b>Shelby Joffrion</b> , Opioid Prevention Coordinator, North Charleston Police Department <b>Christopher Rosier</b> , Chief Deputy Sherriff, Charleston County Sherriff's Office <b>Stephen Kudron</b> , Sergeant, Charleston County Sheriff's Office <b>D'Artagnan Brownlee</b> , Opioid Investigator, Charleston County Coroner's Office <b>Nanci Steadman-Shipman</b> , Executive Director, WakeUp Carolina
4:25-4:40 PM	<b>Day 2 Closing Remarks</b>	

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