

# Best Practices in Overdose Prevention: The Role of Trauma Informed Care, Harm Reduction, and Medication-Assisted Treatment

**August 4, 2022**

Hyatt Regency Princeton | 102 Carnegie Center, Princeton, NJ

<b>9:30 – 10:00 AM</b>	<b>Registration and Breakfast</b>
<b>10:00 - 10:20 AM</b>	<b>Conference Welcome &amp; the Intersection of TIC, HR, and MAT</b> <i>Eric Reyes, Deputy Director of Mental Health and Trauma, CAI</i>
<b>10:20 - 10:40 AM</b>	<b>Harm Reduction: Key Tenets and Expansion in NJ</b> <i>Chelsea Betlow, Director of Program Innovation and Strategic Initiatives, New Jersey Department of Health</i>
<b>10:40 - 11:40 AM</b>	<b>Prescribing MOUD: The Pinnacle of Harm Reduction Strategies</b> <i>Clement Chen, Clinical Pharmacist/Academic Detailer, The CARE Center Northern NJ Medication-Assisted Treatment Center of Excellence</i>
<b>11:40 - 11:50 AM</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>11:50 - 12:30 PM</b>	<b>A Tale of Two Pilots: Low-threshold Buprenorphine</b> <i>Cole Zaccaro, MAT Program Manager, Community Health Center of Asbury Park</i>
<b>12:30 - 1:15 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>1:15 - 2:15 PM</b>	<b>The Power of Language</b> <i>Gricel Arredondo, Vice President Capacity Building, CAI</i>
<b>2:15 - 3:15 PM</b>	<b>Harm Reduction and Healing Centered Engagement: Exploring the evolution of trauma informed care through the embodiment of harm reduction philosophy and practices</b> <i>Emma Roberts, Senior Director of National Capacity Building, National Harm Reduction Coalition</i> <i>Hiawatha Collins, Community and Capacity Building Manager, National Harm Reduction Coalition</i>
<b>3:15 - 3:30 PM</b>	<b>Closing and Evaluations</b>

# Best Practices in Overdose Prevention: Leveraging Strategic Partners

December 6, 2022

The National Conference Center at the Holiday Inn of East Windsor  
399 Monmouth St. East Windsor, NJ 08520

<b>8:00 – 9:00 AM</b>	<b>Registration and Breakfast</b>
<b>9:00 – 9:25 AM</b>	<b>Conference Welcome</b> <i>Eric Reyes</i> , Deputy Director of Mental Health and Trauma, CAI, OD2A Strategy 9.2
<b>9:25 – 9:45 AM</b>	<b>Overdose Data to Action (OD2A) Driving More than Data to Action: Cultivating, Sustaining, &amp; Engaging Key Strategic Partners</b> <i>Lashunda Harden</i> , Project Director Overdose Data to Action (OD2A) Grant, NJ Department of Health, Office of Opioid Response & Policy
<b>9:45 – 10:10 AM</b>	<b>The History of Harm Reduction in New Jersey</b> <i>Jenna Mellor</i> , Executive Director, NJ Harm Reduction Coalition
<b>10:10 – 10:50 AM</b>	<b>Harm Reduction in Action – Lessons from the Field</b> <i>Eddie Frierson</i> , Statewide Harm Reduction Manager, The Hyacinth Foundation <i>Bobby Lowry</i> , Harm Reduction Coordinator, Visiting Nurse Association of Central Jersey <i>Caitlin O’Neill</i> , Director of Harm Reduction Services, New Jersey Harm Reduction Coalition
<b>10:50 – 11:05 AM</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>11:05 – 11:40 AM</b>	<b>NJ Emergency Medical Services and the Opioid Crisis</b> <i>Tim Seplaki</i> , Chief of EMS Data & Intelligence, NJ Department of Health, Office of Emergency Medical Services, OD2A Strategy 5.2 & 6.1 Lead
<b>11:40 – 12:30 PM</b>	<b>Harnessing Cross-system Collaboration – NJ’s Overdose Fatality Review Teams</b> <i>Jessica Atkinson</i> , Overdose Fatality Review Team Grant Coordinator, NJ Department of Health, OD2A Strategy 5.1 Lead <i>Desiree Whyte</i> , Assistant Director of Operations, Monmouth County Department of Human Services, OD2A Strategy 5.1 Peer Lead Site <i>Kimberly L. Reilly</i> , Ocean County OFRT Coordinator, OD2A Strategy 5.1 Peer Lead Site
<b>12:30 – 1:30 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>1:30 – 2:30 PM</b>	<b>Taking Overdose Prevention to the Next Level: An Interactive Activity</b> <i>Gricel Arredondo</i> , Vice President of Capacity Building, CAI, OD2A Strategy 9.2
<b>2:30 – 3:00 PM</b>	<b>New Jersey’s Public Health Overdose Response: Opportunities for Greater Impact</b> <i>Michele Calvo</i> , Director of Opioid Response and Policy, NJ Department of Health, Office of Opioid Response & Policy
<b>3:00 – 3:30 PM</b>	<b>Closing and Evaluations</b>

# Best Practices in Trauma Informed Overdose Prevention: Using a Trauma Lens to Guide Data to Action

June 15th, 2023

The National Conference Center at the Holiday Inn of East Windsor  
399 Monmouth St., East Windsor, NJ 08520

8:00 – 9:00 AM	<b>Registration and Breakfast and Community Village</b>
9:00 – 9:20 AM	<b>Conference Welcome</b> <i>Eric Reyes</i> , Deputy Director of Mental Health and Trauma, CAI
9:20 – 10:00 AM	<b>Harm Reduction Expansion Update</b> <i>Charla Cousar</i> , Harm Reduction Coordinator/ Program Management Officer, New Jersey Department of Health, Division of HIV, STD, & TB Services <b>State of the State: Trends in NJ's Overdose Epidemic</b> <i>Bretta Jacquemin</i> , OD2A Mortality Surveillance Lead, Center for Health Statistics, New Jersey Department of Health
10:00 – 10:45 AM	<b>How Can a Trauma Informed Lens Enhance Care for Persons at Risk for Overdose?</b> <i>Gricel Arredondo</i> , Vice President of Capacity Building, CAI
10:45 – 11:00 AM	<b>Break</b>
11:00 – 11:45 AM	<b>Panel: Bolstering Strengths and Expanding Supports Within Communities Impacted by Overdose Epidemic</b> <i>Divad Sanders</i> , Program Director, Newark Community Street Team, Overdose Response Team <i>Lee McCully</i> , Harm Reduction Coordinator, Prevention Resource Network, Visiting Nurses Association of Asbury Park <i>Lindsay Wilson</i> , Cooper Center for Healing <u>Moderator</u> : <i>Eric Reyes</i> , Deputy Director of Mental Health and Trauma, CAI
11:45 – 12:30 PM	<b>Trauma Informed Care in Practice: Application, Success and the Road Ahead Lessons from the Cooper Center for Healing</b> <i>Carlos Bermeo</i> , Lead Behavioral Health Therapist, Cooper's Center for Healing and the Southern New Jersey Center of Excellence
12:30 – 1:30 PM	<b>Lunch and Community Village</b>
1:30 – 3:00 PM	<b>Panel: Best Practices and Lessons Learned in Harm Reduction Expansion</b> <i>Christopher Abert</i> , Executive Director, New York Recovery Alliance <i>Logan Benton</i> , Senior Manager, Drug User Health, NASTAD <i>Lill Prosperino</i> , Harm Reduction Resource Coordinator, National Harm Reduction Coalition <u>Moderator</u> : <i>Hiawatha Collins</i> , Community and Capacity Building Manager, National Harm Reduction Coalition
3:00 – 3:30 PM	<b>Closing and Evaluations</b>



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## Best Practices in Trauma Informed Overdose Prevention: Confronting Stigma to Save Lives

December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Robert Treat Hotel  
Newark, NJ

8:00 – 9:00 AM	<b>Registration, Breakfast &amp; Community Village</b>
9:00 – 9:20 AM	<b>Welcome and Housekeeping</b> Sarah DuBow, <i>Harm Reduction Lead, CAI</i> <b>Goals and Expectations</b> Lindsay Bryant, <i>Senior Trainer and Capacity Building Specialist, CAI</i>
9:20 – 9:30 AM	<b>Harm Reduction Expansion Update</b> Chelsea Betlow, <i>Director of HIV Services, Division of HIV, STD, TB Services, NJ DOH</i>
9:30 – 10:15 AM	<b>Cultural Stigma in Addiction</b> Dr. June Deponte-Sernak, <i>Statewide Leadership Diversity Officer, The Center for Family Services</i>
10:15 – 10:55 AM	<b>U.S. Drug Policy and SUD Services: Where do we go from here?</b> Clement Chen, <i>Clinical Pharmacist/Academic Detailer, The CARE Center Northern NJ Medication-Assisted Treatment Center of Excellence</i>
10:55 – 11:10 AM	<b>Break</b>
11:10 – 11:40 PM	<b>Reflecting on Our Role in Reducing Stigma</b> Gricel Arredondo, <i>Vice President of Capacity Building, CAI</i>
11:40 – 12:30 PM	<b>Panel: Emerging Trends in Drug User Health</b> Terrell Jones, <i>Outreach and Advocacy Program Manager, OnPoint NYC</i> Caitlin O’Neill, <i>Drug User Health and Liberation Strategist, NJ Harm Reduction Coalition</i> Shawn Westfahl, <i>Overdose Prevention and Harm Reduction Coordinator, Prevention Point</i> Cole Zaccaro, <i>Manager of Harm Reduction Services, VNA in Asbury Park</i>
12:30 – 1:30 PM	<b>Lunch, Round Table Discussions &amp; Community Village</b>
1:30 – 3:00 PM	<b>Rebraiding Resistance and Resilience - Visioning Liberation from Overdose and Drug Related Stigma</b> Rev. Erica Poellot, <i>Executive Director, Faith in Harm Reduction</i> Terrell Jones, <i>Outreach and Advocacy Program Manager, OnPoint NYC</i> Marilyn Reyes, <i>Co-Director, Peer Network Of New York</i> Tina Reynolds, <i>Leadership Collective, Faith in Harm Reduction</i>
3:00 – 3:30 PM	<b>Closing and Evaluations</b>