

# 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Forensic Rights and Treatment Conference



**TODAY'S CHANGING FORENSIC LANDSCAPE**

**December 3 – December 5, 2019**  
**Holiday Inn, Harrisburg/Hershey, PA**

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## Educational Objectives

At the completion of this conference, participants will:

- Identify issues for persons with intellectual/developmental disabilities that cause interaction with the criminal justice systems;
- Cite the utility of medication assisted treatment as a best practice approach;
- Name components of the Risk-Needs-Responsivity intervention;
- Cite psychotherapy approaches used with persons with SMI and criminal justice involvement;
- Describe current successful practices working with juveniles.

## Target Audience

- Clinical and Support Staff, Program Managers, Advocates, and Administrators
- Corrections, Probation/Parole, Prisons/Jails
- Specialized Mental Health Facilities, Specialized Drug and Alcohol Facilities
- Psychologists, Counselors, Social Workers, Nurses and Educators working in all systems.

## Credit Information



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It is difficult to maintain room temperatures that are comfortable for all participants. Conference attendees should be aware that room temperatures will vary throughout the conference center. A light sweater or jacket is helpful when room temperatures become too cool. Participants are asked to turn off cell phones and beepers when attending a workshop, or to change them to a silent signal, if necessary. Please step outside of the room when responding to a page or a call.

## Hotel Information

The conference will be held at the Holiday Inn Grantville. A block of sleeping rooms has been reserved at the hotel for a rate of \$92.00 per night single/double occupancy. This special rate is only guaranteed until November 20, 2019 and does not include the 11% sales and occupancy tax. To make reservations, please call the Holiday Inn reservation desk at 1-717-469-0661. Be sure to mention the **Forensic Conference**.

## Driving Directions To Holiday Inn, Grantville

### From New York/New Jersey

George Washington Bridge to I-80 West. Take 287 South, to I-78 West, to I-81 South. Located just off I-81, Hershey Exit 80. Right at top of ramp, and left into entrance.

### From Philadelphia

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Take I-83 North to I-81 North. Located just off I-81, Hershey Exit 80. Make left at top of ramp, and left into entrance.

### From Pittsburgh

Take PA Turnpike 76. Get off at Exit 16, follow signs to I-81 North, Hershey Exit 80. Make left at top of ramp, and left into entrance.

# CONFERENCE INFORMATION

Dear Colleagues:

We want to welcome you to the annual PA Forensic Rights and Treatment Conference. We are proud to feature Dr. David Delmonico who presented at the 2012 conference. He will offer a timely preconference session sharing the latest research about assessment and treatment for cyber-sex offenders. Our plenary sessions will discuss current approaches for juveniles, medication assisted treatment, Risk-Needs-Responsivity in practice as well as concerns for persons with intellectual/developmental disabilities. We have workshops offering first-person perspectives, psychotherapeutic treatment and wellness. This year, the conference will honor one of our esteemed colleagues, Lance Couturier, PhD who was one of the architects for this annual event. Enjoy the information, spirit and creativity that this conference has to offer.

*William A. Holt*

*Donna N. McNelis*

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## CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

- **Early Bird Rate** (postmarked by 10/31/19): **\$265.00**
- **Conference Fee:** **\$290.00**
- **One Day Fee:** **\$160.00**
- **Pre-Conference Institute:** **\$40.00**

**Fees include** tuition, continental breakfasts, refreshment breaks and luncheons. A continuing education certificate is included in the registration fee. **Registration fee does not include overnight accommodations.**

**Refunds** will be made up until ten (10) working days prior to the conference minus a \$35.00 administrative fee. All refund requests must be submitted in writing. Substitute attendees are permissible with approval from the Registrar prior to the conference. **NOTE:** If you do not cancel and do not attend, you are still responsible for payment.

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# PRE-CONFERENCE

December 3, 2019

## #digitaldeviance: Understanding, Assessing and Treating Online Sex Offenders

**Presenter: David L. Delmonico, Ph.D.**

Professor of Counseling Education - Duquesne University  
Institutional Review Board, Chairperson



**{Check-In: 12:00 Noon – Workshop: 1:00 pm – 4:15 pm}**

*Description:* The digital world requires us to change how we conceptualize, assess, and treat sexual offense behavior. This lecture will explore the current research, theories, and models for understanding sexual offense and sexual exploitation in the digital world. The use of live, online demonstration will illustrate the various methods and venues (e.g., dark web, peer-to-peer, apps, etc.) used for sexual activity – including sexual offense behavior. Additional discussion will include various motivations for engaging in online sexual offenses, including sexual curiosity, hypersexuality, digital hoarding, and digital disinhibition. Similarities and differences between offline and online sex offenders will be highlighted, including the ways the digital world may or may not contribute to offline contact sexual offense behavior. A discussion of a sexual health approach to treatment will also be included.

### ***Learning Objectives:***

*At the end of this pre-conference workshop the participant will be able to:*

- Identify methods and venues used for sexual offense behavior
- Recognize how the online world may or may not contribute to offline sexual offense behavior
- Determine best practices in the assessment and evaluation of online sex offenders
- Design treatment plans specific to online sex offenders

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Pre-Conference Fee: \$40.00





# SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2019

12 Noon	Registration for Pre-Conference Institute
1:00pm - 4:15 pm	#digitaldeviance: Understanding, Assessing and Treating Online Sex Offenders David L. Delmonico, PhD

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2019

8:00 am	Registration and Continental Breakfast
8:45am – 9:00am	Welcome and Overview – Donna N. McNelis, PhD
9:00am – 9:30am	DOC – Executive Deputy Secretary George Little
9:30am – 10:30am	Plenary I: Before It Is Too Late Stacy Nonnemacher, PhD, ODP
10:30am – 10:45am	Break
10:45am – 11:45am	Plenary II: Risk-Need-Responsivity Myrinda Schweitzer Smith, PhD
11:45am – 1:15pm	Lunch and Awards Ceremony
1:15pm – 2:45pm	Concurrent Workshop Session I: W01 - W06 (3 Hr. Sessions – Part I)
2:45pm – 3:00pm	Break
3:00pm – 4:30pm	Concurrent Workshop Session II: W11 – W16 (3 Hr. Sessions – Part II)

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2019

8:00am	Registration and Continental Breakfast
8:30am – 8:45am	Welcome and Announcements – William Holt, MSS
8:45am – 9:15am	OMHSAS – Acting Deputy Secretary Valerie J. Vicari
9:15am – 10:30am	Plenary III: Adolescent Forensic Mental Health Update Cheryl Wills, MD
10:30am – 10:45am	Break
10:45am – 12 noon	Plenary IV: Medication Assisted Treatment for Women: An Evidence Based Approach Barbara A. Schindler, MD
12 noon – 1:00pm	Lunch
1:00pm – 2:30pm	Concurrent Workshop Session III: T21 – T26
2:30pm – 2:45pm	Break
2:45pm – 4:15pm	Concurrent Workshop Session IV: T31 – T35
4:15pm	Evaluations and Adjournment

# WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

**Tuesday, December 3, 2019**

**1:00pm – 4:15pm**

**Preconference Institute**

**#digitaldeviance: Understanding, Assessing and Treating Online Sex Offenders**

**David L. Delmonico, PhD**

**December 4, 2019**

**8:45am – 9:00am**

**WELCOME AND OVERVIEW**

**Donna N. McNelis, PhD**

**9:00am – 9:30am**

**DOC – Executive Deputy Secretary George Little**

**9:30am – 10:30am**

**Plenary I – Before It Is Too Late**

**Stacy Nonnemacher, PhD, ODP**

**10:30am – 10:45am**

**Break**

**10:45am – 11:45am**

**Plenary II – Risk-Need-Responsivity**

**Myrinda Schweitzer Smith, PhD**

**11:45am – 1:15pm**

**Lunch and Awards Ceremony**

**CONCURRENT SESSION I**

**(2 Part Sessions – 3 Hours)**

**1:15pm - 2:45pm and 3:00pm - 4:30pm**

**W01/W11**

**Motivational Interviewing with Co-Occurring Populations: Developing Motivation on the Inside to for Success in the Community**

**Tricia M. Mikolon, PhD, CRC, LPC;**

**Amy Talipski, MS, CRC, LPC**

This workshop will focus on the theory and evidence-based practice of Motivational Interviewing (MI) by engaging resistant individuals in the process of change. Attendees will learn to help clients explore and resolve their ambivalence by enhancing intrinsic motivation for change. Motivational Interviewing will be explored as a standalone intervention, as a method of client adherence to other intervention approaches or as a general counseling approach underlying all client interactions as well as with co-occurring populations.

**W02/W12**

**The Out-of-Cell Program: Spiritual Realignment**

**Rev. John Kowalczyk, DTh**

The Out-of-Cell Program works with mentally ill inmates who are incarcerated and have been placed in solitary confinement; more commonly called the Restrictive Housing Unit and thus are isolated from their more familiar mental health unit. One ministers with compassion and unconditional positive regard with an open heart and becomes an instrument in restoring humanity with kindness and dignity. This restoration will aid in release from this more restrictive setting and help restore, purpose, direction and meaning into broken lives. The Out-of-Cell program becomes a springboard to recovery. There are positive outcomes from inmates that have benefited from this program when they move to a less restrictive setting where they have continued having a spiritual relationship which was shaped and developed earlier.

**W03/W13**

**Community MH 101:**

**Danny Beauchamp, MS; Stacy Condie, MS;**

**Mary Ramsden, MA; Kim Drum, RN, MSN;**

**Jessica Shires**

This presentation will provide an overview of the variety of mental health treatment, resources, and support services available in the community mental health system. Details about the types of services, methods of treatment, and the necessary criteria for an individual to be referred will be discussed. Additional measures that may need to be considered when conducting reentry planning for individuals who are a part of one or more specialized populations will also be discussed. Participants will be able to summarize the mental health services in the community, compare different levels of care, and understand the referral criteria for services. There will also be a panel discussion about the community referral and reentry planning process, which will include Q&A with audience members.

**W04/W14**

**The Dark Triad**

**Lindsay A Martin, PhD**

The dark triad of personality is a constellation of three socially aversive personality traits: narcissism, psychopathy, and Machiavellianism. These personality patterns share commonalities, including grandiosity, self-promotion, entitlement, impulsivity, emotional coldness, and aggression. However, there are vast differences in the etiology, manifestation, and adaptivity of individuals with clinical and sub-clinical presentations.

This course explores the malevolent side of human nature and provides strategies to improve assessment, treatment, and work more effectively with those presenting these personality structures.

# WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

## W05/W15

### **Blueprint 101: Building the Foundation of Responsible Re-entry**

**Jamar Williams**

One of the most challenging issues that we face today is restoring the lives of those being released from incarceration. Join me to traverse through the complexities of successful re-entry. We will begin by gaining an understanding of the world through the eyes of re-entrants. We will continue by sharing what is injected into the lives of those encountered, re-evaluate how our beliefs impact the population, and discuss ways to implement the information shared.

## **CONCURRENT SESSION I**

### **W06 1:15pm - 2:45 pm (90-minute session)**

#### **Suicide Risk in Corrections Redefined-Operational Implications of being ALONE**

**Lucas D. Malishchak, DBA;**

This presentation will utilize suicide data compiled from the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections during the past 12 years to define the single most common risk factor amongst suicides. Operational implications as well as proposed and enacted solutions to address this issue will be discussed.

## **CONCURRENT SESSION II**

### **W16**

### **3:00pm - 4:30pm (90-minute session)**

#### **Freedom of the Mind is the Key to Success**

**Jamar Gaston**

**Rebecca Cumpston, CRS, CPS, FPS**

Our presentation is to provide a first-hand experience of why re-entry services still produce a high number for recidivism, despite the new re-entry reform and initiatives being brought to legislature. We will provide our own personal experiences including all barriers that have been faced and how we had to navigate through our social and criminal justice systems using a trial and error process, as well as the effects it has produced physically, mentally, financially, and spiritually. We believe that basic services sometimes do not provide enough support for a successful re-entrant. We have found what is needed to fill that gap.

**December 5, 2019**

### **8:30am – 8:45am**

#### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**William A. Holt, MSS**

### **8:45am – 9:15am**

#### **OMHSAS – Acting Deputy Secretary Valerie J. Vicari**

### **9:15am – 10:30am**

#### **Plenary III – Forensic Issues and Youth**

**Cheryl Wills, MD**

### **10:30am- 10:45am**

**Break**

### **10:45am – 12Noon**

#### **Plenary IV – Medication Assisted Treatment for Women: An Evidence Based Approach.**

**Barbara A. Schindler, MD**

### **12 Noon to 1:00pm**

**Lunch**

## **CONCURRENT SESSION III**

### **1:00pm- 2:30pm**

### **T21**

#### **Transitioning to an Independent Model of Competency to Stand Trial Evaluation: Findings and Experiences at Norristown State Hospital Regional Forensic Psychiatric Center.**

**Robert G. Thompson, PsyD; Michael Gavetti, PhD;**

**Jared Moore, P.D; Maura Hanlon, PsyD.**

Changes to established practices in service delivery systems are often challenging and stressful to those being affected. In this program, we discuss our experiences at Norristown State Hospital RFPC as it transitions from treating-clinician-as-evaluator model of competency to stand trial evaluation to an independent evaluation team model. We discuss processes and barriers we have encountered in transitioning from one model to the other, and we discuss the benefits and rewards that have been realized.

### **T22**

#### **Blending practices- Client-centered legal advocacy**

**Curt Watkins, MBA; Nicole Buck, LMSW**

This workshop aims to guide participants through the process of systems change, introducing the concepts of Pre-Entry and Rapid-Response Social Services. Developing a response to client's holistic, and non-legal needs in the era of Mass Incarceration requires such innovation, along with marketing and data analysis- a combination of skills not typically utilized in the criminal defense environment. Creating community partnerships and buy-in is an emerging area of our work that some are finding central to effective client representation.

### **T23**

#### **Stress and Trauma in the Correctional Environment: Identifying and Reducing the Impact on Inmates and Staff**

**Joseph R. Scotti, PhD, BCBA-D;**

**Mark DiAlesandro, MA; Tracy Shreve, MA;**

**Cara M. Crisson, PsyD; Rianna Seighman**

The results of a facility-wide survey of inmates and correctional officers, as well as personal perspectives, will be presented as the backdrop for a discussion of the impact of stress and trauma in the correctional setting. Presenters will address the role of administrators and mental health staff in identifying and reducing stress and related mental health concerns and increasing resilience and support among all members of the correctional center community.



# WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

## T24

**MH Treatment for Transitory Inmates: Screening, Referring, Stabilizing**  
*Jessie Riley, MA; Emily Searer, MA; Danielle M. Tedesco, LPC, ATR-BC*

The Diagnostic & Classification Center at SCI Camp Hill prepares the information necessary for Central Office to effectively place inmates in the most appropriate setting. Participants will learn about the specific role of psychologists in this process. This includes discussion about initial assessment tools and protocols used to screen for problematic psychiatric issues; ensuring transitory inmates are referred to appropriate services and stabilized in hopes of reducing the disruption to their classification process.

## T25

**Catching Bees with Honey: Use of a Brief Intervention to Improve Treatment Adherence in Inmates with Psychotic Disorders**  
*Nina Chychula, Ph.D., FNP, CCHP; Raequel Madara, MSW*

Adherence to treatment plans designed to manage serious mental illnesses, specifically psychotic disorders in incarcerated individuals, is imperative to alleviate symptoms and prevent further declines in mental health status, including risk of suicide. The use of antipsychotic medications demonstrates therapeutic benefits in 70 to 80% of cases. Regrettably, 50% of those with schizophrenia who could benefit from these medications are non-adherent to their treatment, in part, attributable to medication side effects. For these inmates, healthy self-management efforts prove grueling to initiate and sustain given the high rate of recidivism. Brief interventions are those practices that aim to investigate a potential problem and motivate an individual to begin actions to decrease unhealthy behaviors. This quality improvement monitor used a brief motivational intervention to promote self-management in these hard-to-treat inmates from a county correctional facility.

## T26

**Working with Young Adults Leaving Jail and Juvenile Placement (Overview of the RE-LINK Program at Action Wellness)**  
*Odessa Summers, BS; Malik Marrow, BSW*

In 2016, Action Wellness was one of eight organizations nationwide who received funding from the Office of Minority Health to implement the RE-LINK initiative. The RE-LINK program works with young adults, ages 18-26, linking them with social and medical services, with the goal of reducing recidivism. This workshop will describe the RE-LINK program and its Health and Social Services Network, a group of organizations equipped to meet the complex needs of Returning Citizens.

**2:30pm – 2:45pm**

**Break**

## Concurrent Session IV

**2:45pm- 4:15 pm**

## T31

**Use of Mental Health First Aid Training to Create an Effective Public Safety First Response in County Prison Setting**  
*Nina Chychula, Ph.D., FNP, CCHP; Raequel Madara, MSW*

The lack of mental health literacy and the presence of social stigma can pose barriers for correctional staff when incarcerated individuals experience mental health declines. At the same time, correctional staff are frequently challenged to be "First Responders" when inmates manifest signs and symptoms indicating mental health compromise. This quality monitoring summary describes outcomes of Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) training, reported by county correctional officers who completed MHFA, as part of their annual or initial training.

## T32

**Autism and the Justice System: PA Experiences and Recommendations**  
*Paul Turcotte, MPH*

This session will focus on justice interactions in Pennsylvania, including data from the PA Autism Census and PA Autism Needs Assessment. It will also provide an overview of the justice system and points of intervention for when individuals are involved in the justice system.

## T33

**Grief Support Groups with and without Animal-Assistance for Women in Prison**  
*Yvonne Eaton-Stull, DSW, LCSW; Jessica Hotchkiss, MA; Janel Jones; Francine Lilien Cynthia Wright*

Grief and loss are universal and significant life events, but for those who are incarcerated this experience often happens alone with limited to no ability to attend funeral services. Unresolved grief can lead to a host of other difficulties; therefore, forensic practitioners have a critical role in assisting those facing loss. This workshop will describe innovations in group treatment for incarcerated, grieving women and the beneficial results experienced by participants.

# WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

## **T34**

### **An Integrative Approach to Re-Entry Treatment** *Rebecca Andrews, MA; Stephanie Ackley, MA*

Since most inmates will eventually return to the community, understanding the most effective treatment methods used to rehabilitate offenders is vitally important. This educational session provides a framework for the integration of Reality Therapy, Motivational Interviewing, and Cognitive Behavioral Therapy to address the re-entry concerns of this population. Participants will learn to identify treatment needs and interventions that will enable them to develop specific and measurable objectives aimed at reducing re-offending behavior.

## **T35**

### **Professional Self Care** *Crystal Price, LPC; Brea Diane Dunn, LSW*

This workshop will define and discuss professional "self-care", the categories, and the importance of the topic. Items will include discussions about goal setting/growth, time management, professional/personal boundaries, and maintenance/balance of self-care. Personal and work-related self-care conflicts will also be discussed. The goal is to increase overall wellness while decreasing professional burnout.

## **T36**

### **Implementing Trauma-Informed Care and BARJ Principles when Treating Juvenile Offenders** *Kristin Huntzinger MS LPC, TF-CBT; Maria Lopez LSW CCTP, CSOTP*

Recent studies indicate that up to 90% of juveniles detained have experienced at least one traumatic event in their life. This session will explore the importance of assessing for trauma for juvenile offenders and using trauma informed language & balanced & restorative justice (BARJ) principles to drive treatment planning recommendations. The session will promote the use of a coherent philosophical framework that supports restorative practice and provides direction to juvenile justice practice from an ecological, multidisciplinary perspective.

**In order to be environmentally conscious, attendees will be able to electronically access handout slides prior to the conference. Information on how to access will be mailed to you upon confirmation of your registration.**

# REGISTRATION FORM

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## TYPE OF CREDIT DESIRED (Please check one)

☐ APA ☐ LSW/LCSW/LPC ☐ NBCC ☐ PAAct 48\*\* ☐ PCB/CAC/CCDP/CCDP-D ☐ PSNA ☐ CEU

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## SPECIAL REQUESTS

☐ I require special assistance - please contact us at 215-831-4055

## DAYS ATTENDING (Please check all that apply)

☐ Tuesday, December 3, 2019 ☐ Wednesday, December 4, 2019 ☐ Thursday, December 5, 2019  
(Additional Fee)

## WORKSHOP CHOICES

(Please check your choices below and be sure to select an alternate workshop in case your 1st choice is full)

Session I/II: ☐ W01/W11 ☐ W02/W12 ☐ W03/W13 ☐ W04/W14 ☐ W05/W15 ☐ W06 ☐ W16

Session III: ☐ T21 ☐ T22 ☐ T23 ☐ T24 ☐ T25 ☐ T26

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