



**Midwest Regional Workshop on  
Expanding Access to Medication Assisted Treatment for Justice-Involved Populations**

June 10 - 11, 2019  
Renaissance Cleveland Hotel  
24 Public Square  
Cleveland, Ohio

**AGENDA**

**Workshop Objectives:**

By the end of the workshop, state participants will be able to:

1. Identify stigmas and stereotypes associated with substance use disorders and mental illness.
2. Understand the disease model of addiction, diagnostic criteria for opioid use disorders (OUD), and medication-assisted treatment (MAT).
3. Understand the benefits of all available forms of MAT in a correctional setting and psychosocial supports in the treatment of opioid use disorders.
4. Identify a treatment, potential funding, and concrete next steps for implementing and/or expanding access to MAT in the state's correctional system within twelve months.
5. Identify evidence-based practices in coordinating reentry processes for continuity of care regarding MAT services, linkage to healthcare, behavioral healthcare, and social support services in communities.

**DAY 1**

**7:15 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.**  
*Ambassador Ballroom*

***Breakfast and Registration***

**8:15 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.**  
*Ambassador Ballroom*

***Welcome and Objectives***

The National Governors Association (NGA), the American Correctional Association (ACA), and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will welcome participants, provide an overview of the workshop, and identify objectives for the convening.

**Jeff Locke**, Program Director, NGA Homeland Security and Public Safety  
**Elizabeth Gondles**, Director, Office of Correctional Health, American Correctional Association  
**Rita Noonan**, Branch Chief, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
**Andy Wilson**, Senior Advisor for Criminal Justice Policy, Office of Ohio Governor Mike DeWine  
**Annette Chambers-Smith**, Director, Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction

**8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.**  
*Ambassador Ballroom*

***State Introductions***

State teams will introduce themselves and provide a brief overview of their state's goals and desired outcomes for expanding access to opioid use disorder treatment in their corrections systems and communities.

**Kalyn Hill**, Senior Policy Analyst, NGA Homeland Security and Public Safety



**9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.**  
*Ambassador Ballroom*

***The Disease Model of Addiction, Treatment, and Approved Medications***

This session will provide a brief overview of the disease model of addiction, diagnostic criteria for substance use disorders, co-occurring mental illness, and co-occurring infectious diseases (such as viral hepatitis). This session will also provide an overview to understanding opioid use disorder, scope of the problem facing the country, treatment approaches, recovery, and FDA approved medications for opioid use disorders.

***Jennifer Clarke***, Medical Programs Director, Rhode Island Department of Corrections

***John Hagan***, Medical Director, North Dakota Department of Corrections

***Moderator: Randy Shively***, Director of Research and Clinical Development, Alvis

**10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.**

***Break***

**10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**  
*Ambassador Ballroom*

***Eliminating Stigmas and Breaking Down Myths***

During this session, participants will engage in a discussion on stigma, common myths and misperceptions associated with substance use, mental illness, incarceration and language as a barrier.

***David Bobby***, Regional Director, Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction

***Rachel Kowalski***, Lieutenant, Rhode Island Department of Corrections

***Marc Richman***, Bureau Chief, Bureau of Correctional Healthcare Services, Delaware Department of Correction

***Moderator: Sandra Wilkniss***, Program Director, NGA Health

**11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**  
*Ambassador Ballroom*

***Health Services Delivery in a Correctional Setting and Continuity of Care***

This session will highlight the delivery of healthcare services that includes medical, dental, substance use disorder, mental health, nursing, pharmaceutical services, personal hygiene, dietary and community services that addresses the physical and mental well-being of incarcerated individuals. The session will also discuss the importance of providing evidence-based treatment and maintaining continuity of care in the delivery of healthcare services in a correctional setting from the time an individual enters the correctional setting through their release back into the community.

***Kristen Dauss***, Chief Medical Officer, Indiana Department of Correction

***Stuart Hudson***, Assistant Director, Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction

***Moderator: Michael Miskell***, Senior Correctional Health Specialist, American Correctional Association



**12:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.**  
*Ambassador Ballroom*

**Working Lunch: Key Components of MAT Within Corrections**

During this session the presenters will discuss core components of increasing access to MAT in correctional settings. By initiating the reentry process at post-sentencing, correctional staff can gather the full spectrum of factors contributing to an individual's opioid use or substance use disorder during the screening and intake process. Once an individual has met the treatment criteria, protocols must be in place to initiate or continue MAT within the walls throughout post-release supervision.

NGA and ACA will provide brief overviews of the findings from the correctional survey and state team questionnaire, highlighting approaches to treating substance use disorder for justice-involved populations across the states.

**Jennifer Clarke**, *Medical Program Director, Rhode Island Department of Corrections*

**Annie Ramniceanu**, *Director of Addiction and Mental Health Systems, Vermont Department of Corrections*

**Discussant: Lauren Dedon**, *Senior Policy Analyst, NGA Homeland Security and Public Safety*

**Moderator: Elizabeth Gondles**, *Director, Office of Correctional Health, American Correctional Association*

**1:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.**

**Break**

**1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.**  
*Ambassador Ballroom*

**Care Coordination from Reentry to Community: Delivery and Payment Strategies**

The session will provide an overview of delivery and payment strategies underpinning effective coordination with community services upon reentry. This includes cross-sector collaboration among Medicaid, state substance abuse and mental health authorities and community providers to build capacity. State officials from Arizona and Pennsylvania will share lessons learned and best practice models for people reentering into the community. Examples will focus on working with Medicaid (including managed care organizations) to conduct "in-reach" into prisons, enrollment during the reentry planning process, and the use of application assistance.

**Michal Rudnik**, *Project Management Administrator, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System*

**Steven Seitchik**, *MAT Statewide Coordinator, Pennsylvania Department of Corrections*

**Tia Moretti**, *Deputy Director, Recovery Ohio*

**Moderator: Sandra Wilkniss**, *Program Director, NGA Health*

**2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

**Break**



**3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**State Team Time**

State teams will reflect on the morning’s discussions, review pre-work assignments, and begin drafting their action plans for implementing or expanding MAT.

**Indiana**

Location: Hopkins Room

**Iowa**

Location: Brush Room

**Ohio**

Location: Holden Room

**West Virginia**

Location: Owens Room

**5:00 p.m.**

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**DAY 2**

**7:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.**

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**Breakfast with the Experts**

Participants will have an opportunity to meet and talk with experts on a variety of key issues associated with implementing successful MAT programs. Tables will be divided into various topics, and participants are encouraged to mix and continue discussions over breakfast.

**8:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.**

*Ambassador Ballroom*

**From Incarceration to Community: Planning and Implementing Reentry**

The days and weeks following reentry into the community are a time of increased vulnerability for those with substance use disorders. This session will discuss the key elements of successful reentry planning and the importance of preparing for reentry from the start of incarceration. The discussion will highlight approaches for coordinating care with community supports across corrections, community systems, and the larger justice systems.

**Jim Elder**, Bureau Chief of Community Corrections, Delaware Department of Correction

**Duane Slone**, Circuit Court Judge, 4<sup>th</sup> Judicial District of Tennessee

**Moderator: Kalyn Hill**, Senior Policy Analyst, NGA Homeland Security and Public Safety

**10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.**

**Break**



**10:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

**State Team Time**

State teams will continue to work on their action plans.

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**State Team Report Out and Next Steps**

A representative from each state team will briefly report out on the vision and next steps for work in their state. Participants will discuss strategies and challenges to implementation. NGA will review next steps for continued learning and collaboration.

**Jeff Locke**, Program Director, NGA Homeland Security and Public Safety

**Sandra Wilkniss**, Program Director, NGA Health

**12:15 p.m.**

**Adjourn**