

# 2024 National Forum on Overdose Fatality Review

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## AGENDA

March 5-6, 2024  
Atlanta, Georgia

### Tuesday, March 5, 2024

- 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Check-in Available**
- 8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. **Opening Remarks** (Grand Ballroom)
- 8:45 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. **Federal Welcome** (Grand Ballroom)  
*Moderator: Mallory O'Brien, Johns Hopkins University (JHU)*  
*Panelists:*  
*Marissa Fariña-Morse, Associate Deputy Director, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)*  
*Grant Baldwin, Director, Division of Overdose Prevention, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)*  
*Julius Dupree, Policy Advisor, BJA*  
*Jessica Wolff, Public Health and Public Safety Team Lead, CDC*
- 9:15 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. **Small Action Can Lead to Big Change** (Grand Ballroom)  
*Moderator: Melissa Heinen, Institute for Intergovernmental Research (IIR)*
- 9:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. **Plenary Session 1: Using Data to Understand Community Context** (Grand Ballroom)  
*Moderator: Mallory O'Brien, JHU*  
*Panelists:*  
*DJ Gering, CDC Foundation, Kansas*  
*Sonia Berdahl, CDC*  
*Josh Eyer, Southern Regional Drug Data Research Center, Institute of Data & Analytics, Culverhouse College of Business, University of Alabama*  
*Laura Kollar, CDC*
- 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. **Lunch (on your own)**



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## Tuesday, March 5, 2024 (continued)

12:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

### Concurrent Session 1

**New to Overdose Fatality Review: Everything You Need to Know to Be Successful**  
(Grand Ballroom)

*Moderator: Melissa Heinen, IIR*

**Advancing Health Equity: Discussion and Listening Session** (Georgia 7, 8, 9, 10)

*Moderator: Mallory O'Brien, JHU*

*Speakers: Laura Kollar and Rose Hefferon, CDC; and Cortney Yarholar, National Criminal Justice Training Center of Fox Valley Technical College (NCJTC)*

1:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

Break (on your own)

1:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

### Concurrent Session 2

**Health Equity in Action** (Grand Ballroom)

*Moderator: Laura Kollar, CDC*

**Engaging LGBTQIA+ Youth for Community-level Change**

*Speaker: Carissa Miller, Scott County, Indiana*

**Data-informed Overdose Prevention Efforts for the Latinx Population**

*Speaker: Wendy Hetherington, Riverside County, California*

**Naloxone Distribution** (Georgia 7, 8, 9, 10)

*Moderator: Alison Proctor, RTI International*

**Lucas County Corrections Center Naloxone Vending Machine Project**

*Speakers: Mahjida Berryman, Lucas County, Ohio*

**Post-fatal Incident: How Coroners Can Play a Role in Overdose Prevention**

*Speakers: Allison Bilton and Talia Wahl, Berkeley County, South Carolina*

3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Break (on your own)



## Tuesday, March 5, 2024 (continued)

3:15 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

### Concurrent Session 3

#### Next-of-Kin Engagement and Support (Grand Ballroom)

*Moderator: Megan Broekemeier, Office of the Medical Examiner, Utah Department of Health*

[Supporting Families After an Overdose Loss in Milwaukee County, Wisconsin: Social Workers at the Milwaukee County Medical Examiner’s Office](#)

*Speakers: Amy Parry, Victoria Wright, and Constance Kostelac, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin*

[Losing a Loved One to an Overdose: Grief and Loss Support Group](#)

*Speakers: Melanie Gibboney and Kaitlyn King, Hamilton County, Ohio*

#### Harm Reduction and Awareness Campaigns (Georgia 7, 8, 9, 10)

*Moderator: Melissa Heinen, IIR*

[Thought to Action: Reigniting In-person Coalition Work and Overdose Spike Alert Response in the Post-COVID-19 Emergency Era](#)

*Speaker: Gregory Gallo, Dutchess County, New York*

[Tackling a Crisis Through Collaboration: Addressing the Overdose Epidemic in Cobb County, Georgia](#)

*Speakers: Flynn Broady, Jr., and Daniel Spinney, Cobb County, Georgia*

4:30 p.m.

### Adjourn



## Wednesday, March 6, 2024

- 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. **Check-in Available**
- 8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. **Welcome** (Grand Ballroom)  
*Speaker: Ryan K. Buchanan, U.S. Attorney, Northern District of Georgia*
- 8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. **Plenary Session 2: Partnering Across State and Local Overdose Fatality Reviews**  
(Grand Ballroom)  
*Moderator: Melissa Heinen, IIR*  
  
*Panelists:*  
*Brooke Holmes, Maryland Department of Health*  
*Nicole Ramey, Cecil County Department of Health, Maryland*  
*Lisa Fields, Anne Arundel County Department of Health, Maryland*  
*Morgan Kramer, Michigan Public Health Institute (MPHI)*  
*Angela Van Slembrouck, MPHI*
- 9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Break (*on your own*)
- 10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. **Concurrent Session 4**  
**Overview of Overdose Fatality Review Model Law and Implementation: Panel Discussion and Open Forum** (Grand Ballroom)  
*Moderator: Mallory O'Brien, JHU*  
  
*Panelists:*  
*Stephanie Noblit, Legislative Analysis and Public Policy Association*  
*Jessica Atkinson, New Jersey Department of Health*  
  
**Embedding Lived Experience in an Overdose Fatality Review: Guidance and Facilitated Discussion** (Georgia 7, 8, 9, 10)  
*Moderator: Sam Robertson, Rainbow Health, Minnesota*  
*Speakers: Joshua Barnett, Pinellas County, Florida, and Seth Dewey, Kansas*
- 11:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Lunch (*on your own*)



## Wednesday, March 6, 2024 (continued)

12:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

### Concurrent Session 5

#### **Opioid Affected Youth Initiatives** (Grand Ballroom)

*Moderator: Carol P. Gordon, IIR*

**From Recommendation to Implementation: The Funding and Development of the Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, Drug Endangered Children (DEC) Alliance**

*Speakers: Carina Havenstrite and Kelsey Tambasco, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania*

**Camp FUN! Hancock County, Ohio's Approach to Creating Connections for Youth Impacted by Addiction**

*Speaker: Precia Stuby, Hancock County, Ohio*

#### **Peers' Role in Prevention: Discussion and Open Forum** (Georgia 7, 8, 9, 10)

*Moderator: Tyrina Taylor, Altarum*

**We Heart You: Catalysts of Change**

*Speakers: Jennifer Skolaski and Trevor Fenrich, Winnebago County, Wisconsin*

#### **Tribal Community Needs and Approaches in Implementing OFRs: Discussion and Listening Session** (Georgia 2, 3, 4, 5)

*Moderators: Paul Fuentes and Kevin Mariano, NCJTC*

*Note: This session will be repeated in Concurrent Session 6*

1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Break (*on your own*)



## Wednesday, March 6, 2024 (continued)

2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

### Concurrent Session 6

**Lodging, Hospitality, and Nontraditional Partner Outreach** (Grand Ballroom)

*Moderator: Emily Godfrey, CDC Foundation, Michigan*

**Revitalizing Hope: Collaborative Outreach Strategies for Overdose Prevention in Monmouth County, New Jersey, Motels**

*Speakers: Kaitlyn Silagyi and Reyna Maybloom, Monmouth County, New Jersey*

**Hotels, Motels, and Everywhere in Between: A Community Response for Community Overdose**

*Speaker: Kimberly Reilly, Ocean County, New Jersey*

**Expanding Overdose Fatality Reviews to Include Suicides: Discussion and Open Forum** (Georgia 7, 8, 9, 10)

*Moderators: Melissa Heinen and Cat Gangi, IIR*

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*Note: This event is a repeat of the same session as listed in Concurrent Session 5*

3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Break (*on your own*)

3:30 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

### Concurrent Session 7

**Deflection and Overdose Fatality Review Synergy: Panel Discussion and Open Forum** (Grand Ballroom)

*Moderator: Hope Fiori, Treatment Alternatives for Safe Communities' Center for Health and Justice*

*Speakers: Precia Stuby, Hancock County, Ohio, and Sherry Sexton, Erie County, Ohio*

**Overdose Fatality Review Data System: Findings and Resources for Implementation** (Georgia 7, 8, 9, 10)

*Moderator: Melissa Heinen, IIR, and Rose Hefferon, CDC*

4:45 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

**Recap Findings and Next Steps** (Grand Ballroom)

*Moderators: Melissa Heinen, IIR; Julius Dupree, BJA; and Jessica Wolff, CDC*

5:15 p.m.

**Adjourn**