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AGENDA AT A GLANCE

Tuesday, August 23, 2022 (EST)

- 11:00 AM Welcome
- 11:15 AM Keynote
- 12:00 PM Break, Visit Exhibitors
- 12:30 PM Workshop Session I
- 1:30 PM Break, Visit Exhibitors
- 2:00 PM Power Session I
- 3:15 PM Break, Visit Exhibitors
- 3:45 PM Workshop Session II
- 4:45 PM Break, Visit Exhibitors
- 5:00 PM Workshop Session III
- 6:00 PM Closing

Wednesday, August 24, 2022 (EST)

- 11:00 AM Welcome, NPN Awards
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Thursday, August 25, 2022 (EST)

- 11:00 AM Welcome
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EXHIBITORS

- Botvin LifeSkills Training
- Dover Youth to Youth
- Food and Drug Administration Center (FDA) for Tobacco Products
- National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA)
- Strengthening Families Program: For Parents and Youth 10-14
- Prevention Technology Transfer Center Network Coordinating Office (PTTC NCO)



11:00 AM - 11:15 AM EST | Welcome Day 1

Robert Morrison | Sara Goldsby | Sarah Mariani

11:15 AM - 12:00 PM EST | Opening Keynote (.75 CEH)

Prevention's Role in Behavioral Health

Tom Coderre, SAMHSA Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use

This presentation will discuss the current challenges facing the behavioral health field, including the President's Unity Agenda aimed at tackling mental health and the opioid epidemic, and SAMHSA's policies, programs, and initiatives that support the Unity Agenda.

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM EST | Workshop Session 1 (1 CEH)

1A: Using Data to Promote Equity in Substance Use Prevention

Samantha Rosenthal

The goals of this workshop are to inform best practices for collecting diverse and inclusive data related to substance use, examining substance use data for disparities, and presenting/disseminating data to inform tailored substance use prevention programming.

1B: E-compendium and Guide – Best-Fit, Evidenced-based Programs for Latino Communities

Sandra Puerini del Sesto | Arturo Gonzales | Rebecca Moore

Potential providers will learn to select an EBP from the eCompendium that best fits their communities' needs. The presentation will instruct participants on how to select an EBP that best fits the Latino community for which it is intended.

1C: A Foundation for Success: Best Practices in Youth Empowerment

Dana Mitchell | Conor Wiley | Isabelle Wensley | Luisa Pelletier

This session provides a comprehensive foundation for implementing or growing a youth empowerment program designed to take on substance misuse issues. Youth and adult presenters will provide insight into practices associated with the success of your youth advocacy program, including topics such as recruiting student members, meeting design, training advocates, ideas for initiatives/ action, and techniques for coaching youth advocates.

1D: Development of a New Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS) Prevention Campaign Tailored for American Indian and Alaska Native Youth

Jonathan Powell

FDA is developing "Next Legends," a historic tobacco prevention campaign designed to reach American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) youth, ages 12-17, who are at risk for using e-cigarettes or other Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS). Despite considerable attention on teen e-cigarette use, little is known about AI/AN youths' perceptions of ENDS.

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM EST | Workshop Session I (1 CEH)

1E: Connection is Prevention: Mentoring as a Primary Prevention Tool

Deborah Lake | Mike Garringer | Aristede Hill | Mary Sheka

Research has shown that youth facing social, economic, and racial inequities face additional barriers to success. Fortunately, research also shows that youth who experience quality mentoring relationships can benefit in a variety of ways across multiple domains of their life. Join us to explore how to incorporate mentoring as an effective prevention strategy using examples from multiple states.

1F: An Introduction to the PTTC Network New Projects: Developing a Prevention Core Competencies Curriculum and Piloting a Prevention Fellowship Program (PFP)

Thia Walker | Holly Hagle | Van Wilson | Nicole Augustine

This presentation will provide an overview of the prevention core competencies, the steps that have been taken to develop a curriculum, the crosswalk process, the stakeholders that are involved, and the timeline for completion. The Prevention Fellowship presentation will be a high-level overview that creates an overall picture of the program and the intended outcomes from the one-year pilot of the program.

1G: Adapting Scientific Evidence to the Real World: Concepts, Key Elements, and Stakeholder Engagement (Advanced content session)

John D. Clapp

This workshop will present critical concepts related to adapting and implementing scientific evidence in the real world. The workshop will discuss how to identify key elements and concepts from evidence with a focus on concept fidelity, ecological validity, and cultural appropriateness. Strategies for engaging stakeholders will be presented. A step-by-step process will be presented.

2:00 PM - 3:15 PM EST | Power Session I (1.25 CEH's)

PS1A: The Role of State Prevention Systems in the Adoption of Novel Opioid Misuse and Opioid Use Disorder Prevention Interventions and Strategies

Phillip Graham | Parissa Ballard | Barbara Oudekerk

Facilitating and speeding up the adoption of opioid misuse and OUD prevention interventions requires understanding how state prevention systems function and what factors influence adoption. This workshop will provide a discussion of state systems, barriers and facilitators that affect decisions around adopting novel interventions, and how developers might use this information in disseminating evidence-based interventions and strategies.

PS1B: Engaging the National Guard in Prevention Efforts in North Carolina and Ohio

Douglas Spain | Erin Day | Anna Godwin | Nicole Smashum-Lynch | Jorge Bedoya

This session will highlight the partnership between the National Guard Counterdrug Program within the states of North Carolina and Ohio. During this time, we will explore each state's unique approach to partnership with the National Guard Program. In North Carolina the partnership is with a statewide non-profit, while in Ohio it is with the State Government. However, each state is able to leverage the partnership to elevate prevention efforts at the community level. Examples of increased organizational and community level capacity resulting from their formal partnerships will be explored.

2:00 PM - 3:15 PM EST | Power Session I (1.25 CEH's)

PS1C: Building Innovative Partnerships to Advance Your Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Outreach

Tracy Galloway | Necola Staples | Tamara Maze | Marcela Gaitan

This presentation will discuss CTP's lessons learned in developing mutually beneficial relationships to extend our tobacco prevention and cessation messaging. Specifically, we'll cover:

- How partnerships help organizations understand priority audiences and ensure messaging is culturally relevant
- Best practices for identifying, engaging, and maintaining relationships
- Case studies of CTP's successful prevention collaboration activities
- Tips for engaging CTP and other federal offices

PS1D: OK Boomer? Risk and Protective Factors for Older Adults

Julie Stevens

The first wave of Baby Boomers is now entering retirement age and for the next twenty years, the United States will have a major shift in population demographics. This workshop examines alcohol, prescription drug and substance use, and risk and protective factors among the senior population.

3:45 PM - 4:45 PM EST | Workshop Session II (1 CEH)

2A: SAPST Revisions for 2022 and Beyond

Van Wilson | Ben Stevenson

The SAPST curriculum has been with us for a long time and is a strong foundation for prevention professionals. As our world has changed and our knowledge of prevention practice has expanded, the PTTC Network is happy to announce the development of a revised SAPST curriculum to reflect these changes and prepare our workforce for the future.

2B: Guiding Good Choices: Parent Recruitment, Retention, and Satisfaction When Using a Virtual Platform During COVID

Hannah Scheuer | Meghann Wolvert | Dalene Beaulieu

COVID-19 put huge stressors on prevention work with parents and communities. This session shares lessons learned from the virtual delivery of a tested parent workshop, Guiding Good Choices, with special focus on challenges and successes in recruitment, retention, and satisfaction of diverse groups of parents in Washington and Michigan.

2C: Transforming Prevention to Achieve Health Equity

Wanda Boone

Bolster existing community-based efforts to address underlying causations that tend to result in behavioral challenges such as trauma, substance use, chronic disease, stigma, and violence. Reduce racial disparities in rates of substance use, and individual and community trauma by providing targeted outreach to historically marginalized communities

3:45 PM - 4:45 PM EST | Workshop Session II (1 CEH)

2D: Key Findings and Trends to Inform Prevention Planning from the 2022 College Prescription Drug Study

Emily Baker | Nicole Kwiek | Tessa Miracle

Join us for an interactive session discussing the College Prescription Drug Study (CPDS), a multi-institutional survey of college students examining the non-medical use of prescription drugs. In this session, we will share results from the 2022 CPDS implementation, demonstrate how to use these data in prevention planning activities, and describe emerging trends of misuse on college campuses.

2E: Community Impact NC: Supporting Coalitions Through Workforce Development and Strategic Advising

Anna Godwin | Erin Day

Coalition workforce development requires a unique passion and skill set. During this session, Community Impact NC (CINC) will discuss how they are able to not only train, but also develop and sustain coalition leaders and members while providing data outcomes to the State's NPN. The funding support provided by the NC Department of Health and Human Services will be explored.

2F: Building Prevention Through Workforce Development

Shelly Steiner | Laura Edwards

This workshop will detail how Kentucky's Prevention and Promotion Branch has created a system to address workforce development for Kentucky's prevention system. Participants will be provided a framework that can be easily replicated by any agency or organization.

2G: Using Project ECHO to Address Cannabis Prevention in the Context of Legalization (Advanced content session)

Kim Magoon | Catherine Chichester | Kristen Erickson | Alexis Polokoff

To support the New England prevention workforce to adapt to evolving cannabis policies, the New England PTTC developed a Project ECHO cohort focused on cannabis prevention. In this session, we will address the adaptation of Project ECHO to the prevention workforce, evaluation outcomes from the program, and key cannabis prevention lessons identified by Project ECHO participants.

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM EST | Workshop Session III (1 CEH)

3A: Understanding Prevention's Role in Harm Reduction

Kris Gabrielsen | Chuck Klevgaard

Harm reduction is increasingly emphasized as an important approach when working across the continuum of care. While many in the prevention field remain focused on primary prevention, opportunities exist for preventionists to support and augment local harm reduction efforts. This workshop will focus on steps preventionists can take to support harm reduction efforts.

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM EST | Workshop Session III (1 CEH)

3B: Surviving to Thriving: Behavioral Health Needs and Experiences Among LGBTQ+ Coloradans
T Schweimler | Joscelyn Inton-Campbell

Critical gaps exist in our understanding of unique health disparities within the LGBTQ+ community. This session will examine findings from a survey exploring LGBTQ+ behavioral health in Colorado, including findings on ACEs, mental health and substance use, and access to and experiences in care, as well as discuss best practices for implementing prevention efforts within LGBTQ+ populations.

3C: Creating Population Level Reduction in Mental, Emotional, and Behavior Disorders—including Addictions AND Violent Crime

Dennis Embry

To date, NPN Members and their allies have not had scalable, proven tools to prevent and/or reduce lifetime and intergenerational addictions at a population level. This workshop describes practical, well-proven population-level examples to reduce current and future risk of addictions using the same active ingredients from pregnancy, childhood, adolescence, and adulthood within Title 4 grant.

3D: Success of the National Hispanic/Latino Prevention Technology Transfer Center: Strengthening the Workforce for Hispanic and Latino Serving Prevention Providers

Cindy Keig | Frederick Sandoval | Richard Cervantes

This workshop provides information on evaluation outcomes of the training and technical assistance services provided through the National Hispanic/Latino PTTC. The findings can help shape future training to fit the workforce development needs of the Latino-serving workforce, thus improving the delivery of equity-based, culturally/linguistically tailored prevention training focused on expanding the skill-set and capacity of prevention professionals serving diverse communities.

3E: Dismantling Power and Privilege Through Data: Prevention Ethics, Equity, and Social Justice

Nicole Schoenborn

The goal of the presentation is to highlight how prevention ethics, through a data equity and justice lens, can improve community outcomes. This session explores linkages between prevention ethics, social justice, and equity, and strategies for applying data ethics to real-world prevention scenarios involving data.

3F: Innovations in Web-Based Learning: Building Skills to Apply Prevention Science (Advanced content session)

Alyssa O'Hair | Michelle Frye-Spray | Carina Rivera

Access to professional development is essential to maintaining an effective prevention workforce. Barriers to in-person training, as well as the COVID-19 pandemic, increase the need for web-based learning. This presentation will describe an innovative, multi-method approach to web-based learning that results in increased knowledge and skill. Presenters will share evaluation data and efforts to take the model to scale.

11:00 AM - 11:30 AM EST | Welcome Day 2

Sarah Mariani | Tenesha Barnes | Juan Bendana | Tracy Flinn
NPN Awards Presentation

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM EST | Keynote (1 CEH)

The Transformative Power of HOPE: Exploring the Science of the Positive Framework

Jeff Linkenbach, EdD, Director and Research Scientist, The Montana Institute

The Science of the Positive is the study of how positive factors impact culture and experience. This framework focuses on how to measure and grow 'The Positive' and has been applied for decades with individuals, state agencies, tribal nations, communities, and educational institutions. The Science of the Positive is also the 'DNA of HOPE' (Healthy Outcomes from Positive Experiences) – a newly emerging framework which grew from a CDC-based thinktank and a statewide positive community norms project in Wisconsin. It is critical that we honor and heal from historical trauma, and simultaneously dare to expand our focus beyond risk reduction of adverse childhood experiences (ACES) by focusing on the role of positive childhood experiences (PCEs). The implications on substance use prevention research and practices are promising and far-reaching when apply the Science of the Positive to grow HOPE. In this motivational keynote, Dr. Linkenbach will present HOPE research as he guides participants through the Cycle of Transformation and the four domains of Spirit, Science, Action, and Return. Key takeaways will focus on how transformational leadership based upon this emerging prevention science can restore our passion for the vital prevention work that we all do, so that we may bring HOPE to the people we serve.

12:45 PM - 2:00 PM EST | Power Session II (1.25 CEH's)

PS2A: Fake Pills: What Every American Should Know

Jae Chung | Dolores Cimini | Richard Lucey | Michelle Nienhius

Fake prescription pills are easily accessible and often sold on social media and e-commerce platforms. This session will provide an overview of counterfeit pills and why they are so dangerous, DEA's One Pill Can Kill Campaign, and state- and college-based efforts to raise awareness of the dangers of counterfeit pills. Ample time will be provide for questions from attendees.

PS2B: "Annus Horiblis": Will We Have Another Horrible Year of a Youth Vaping Epidemic?

Bruce Barcelo

"Annus Horiblis" a horrible year keeps happening because commercial tobacco stays one step ahead of regulations. Come to this workshop to discuss important ways schools are moving away from harmful policies to restorative practices.

12:45 PM - 2:00 PM EST | Power Session II (1.25 CEH's)

PS2C: A Top-Down and Bottom-Up Approach to Support Increased Use of Environmental Prevention Strategies

Kristin Kidd | Parissa Jahromi Ballard | Mark Wolfson

This session will explore a case study of a top-down approach by a state prevention program to increase local adoption and implementation of environmental prevention strategies. We will then briefly discuss the role of a regional prevention technical assistance center working to build the capacity of the prevention workforce to implement evidence-based environmental prevention strategies.

PS2D: Preventing Prescription Drug/Opioid Overdose-Related Deaths (PDO) in Maine: An Assessment of Burden and Resources

Jessica Ouellette | Megan Hawkes

This presentation will explore the methods and findings to conduct a vulnerability assessment using various statistical methods to identify "hot spot" areas in Maine with higher risk of opioid overdoses and related consequences. We will also showcase the tools and extensive review of resources and assets to address the opioid epidemic across the continuum of care.

PS2E: Building an Equitable Prevention System

Patricia Zuber-Wilson | Maria Valenti | Sharon Robinson | Barbara Bennet

New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS) is building equitable prevention services across the state by using data-driven decisions to develop initiatives to encourage our funded provider system to expand their prevention reach to address inequities.

2:30 PM - 3:30 PM EST | Workshop Session IV (1 CEH)

4A: Demystifying College Campuses: What You Need to Know to Build Effective Partnerships with Institutions of Higher Education

James Lange | Cindy Clouner

For communities who are home to a college or university, campus and community partnerships are critical for effective prevention efforts. However, campuses often have a unique culture and language that can be a barrier for engagement. Join us for a crash course in what you need to know to effectively engage campuses and increase the likelihood of developing successful partnerships.

4B: Building Protective Factors for Youth: Community Engagement for Youth Mattering and Social Connectedness

Kini-Ana Tinkman

"Cultivating Mattering for Maine Youth" is primary prevention for youth mental health to address data indicating youth feel they do not matter in their community. MRBN is engaging communities to develop solutions using "Maine Youth Thriving: A Guide for Community Action." Engaged communities develop a shared vision, action plan, and implement changes for supportive policy and practices.

2:30 PM - 3:30 PM EST | Workshop Session IV (1 CEH)

4C: Prevention Leadership Through a Culturally Humble Lens

Carlton Hall | Cerise hunt

This interactive session will provide a foundational conversation placing the idea of prevention leadership in the context of cultural humility, inequity, and social justice.

4D: Are You Happier than a Rickshaw Driver?

Keri-Lyn Coleman

Recent research shows that daily practices (or intentional activities) can increase our happiness. This session focuses on what the research shows about happiness and outlines the activities that prevention professionals can engage in, and the practices we can share with the populations we serve, to increase happiness.

4E: The Case of the ICD 10 Code: Fentanyl and Other Synthetic Opioids

Beverly Tremain

The goal of the presentation is to highlight the ICD-10 Codes T36-T40 Poisoning by drugs and biological substances with a specific emphasis on ICD-Code T40, Poisoning by other narcotics, including Fentanyl and other synthetic opioids. This is a descriptive study, using CDC WONDER data, of opioid deaths in the United States.

4F: Communities Talk: Hope in Action

Marion Pierce

For more than two decades, the Communities Talk prevention initiative has supported community and campus-based prevention efforts around underage drinking and other substance misuse through thousands of community events and activities held in every state and most territories. In 2021, one thousand community-based organizations (CBOs) and institutions of higher education (IHEs) registered to hold events in new and creative ways during the pandemic. Dozens of community success stories are featured online to inspire action and generate creativity. In addition to these resources and a small planning stipend, SAMHSA expanded support to include a pilot podcast series showcasing prevention success stories and a webinar learning series to explore topics and audiences at a deeper level.

4G: Building Competencies of Prevention Professionals in the Foundations of Prevention Science and Practice (Advanced content session)

Zili Sloboda

This presentation will focus on the outcomes of trainings of prevention professionals in the U.S. in the Foundations of Prevention Science and Practice.

3:45 PM - 5:00 PM EST | Power Session III (1.25 CEH's)

PS3A: Urgency of Now: Alcohol-related Deaths are Increasing and Worsened During the Covid-19 Pandemic

Shawn Dorius | Jennifer Husmann | Julie Hibben | Cassandra Tourre

The Iowa Department of Public Health formed a working group and issued a report with best-practice interventions. The Iowa Alcoholic Beverages Division funded a data team to conduct an alcohol outlet density study, a key factor impacting alcohol consumption and harms. Coalitions are using its findings in their prevention efforts.

PS3B: Addressing Opioid Misuse Among Older Adolescents and Emerging Adults Through Innovation and Adaptation of Evidence-based Strategies

Sazid Khan | Alina Palimaru | Yang Yang | Jordan Matulis

NIDA's HEAL Prevention Cooperative was formed to support developing and testing strategies to prevent opioid misuse and disorder among older adolescents and emerging adults. This workshop discusses how research projects use and adapt evidence-based strategies targeting substance misuse among underserved youth and emerging adult populations. It concludes with an audience discussion of implementing and adapting evidence-based strategies for these populations.

PS3C: Cannabis Legalization: Finding and Using Data to Understand Context and Consumption Patterns

Kim Magoon | Megan Hawkes | Tim Diomede

States are implementing recreational and adult use cannabis legislation in a wide variety of ways. Some states are also more transparent than others with data, limiting the ability to plan and strategize. Our presentation seeks to educate all levels of professionals on how to find and use state and substate level data to evaluate consumption patterns and strategize prevention efforts.

PS3D: Expanding Prevention's Response to Stimulant Misuse and Polysubstance Use

Josh Esrick | Emily Patton | Princess Walker

This presentation will provide an overview of the current scope and recent trends in stimulant use and consequences nationwide. It will review the similarities and differences between the current and prior waves of stimulant use and the implications for prevention. It will present information on available evidence-based prevention services for stimulant use and opportunities for overcoming barriers to services.

11:00 AM -11:15 AM EST | Welcome Day 3

11:15 AM -12:15 PM EST | Workshop Session V (1 CEH)

5A: Ohio School Wellness Initiative: Enhancing the Full Continuum of Care in Ohio's K-12 Schools
Valerie Leach | Nicole Kahler | Deb Robison

This session will focus on Ohio's approach to developing and implementing the Ohio School Wellness Initiative (OSWI) and how the initiative is increasing the capacity of schools to provide students and families increased access to high quality, culturally appropriate behavioral health prevention and early intervention services in K-12 schools.

5B: The Need for Prevention Services Among Criminal Justice-Involved Populations and What Prevention Professionals Can Do

Josh Esrick | Emily Patton | Deborah Nixon Hughes

This presentation will provide background information and initial recommendations for prevention professionals interested in serving criminal justice-involved populations. It will provide an overview of criminal justice-involved populations and their differing behavioral health risks and needs, including for children of incarcerated parents. And it will review evidence-based and promising substance use, overdose, and suicide prevention services for these populations.

5C: #influencer: How Social Media is Shaping Gen Z

Cristal DePietro | Catherine Barden

From free advertising to third-party sales, social media is riddled with dangerous trends and videos glamourizing substance use and risky trends that our young people are witnessing and becoming desensitized to on a daily basis. This workshop will explore social media's influence on our youngest generation, and show what our kids are really seeing on their feeds.

5D: Innovative Multilevel Strategies to Preventing Impaired Driving Among Youth

Rebecca Stelter | Allison Schmidt

Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for teens, due in large part to drunk and drugged driving, and have increased in the pandemic. This session will review evidence-based, innovative, multilevel strategies to build capacity within a coalition and implement successful impaired driving prevention initiatives for youth. Attendees will leave with information about strategies and evidence-based programs.

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM EST | Workshop Session VI (1 CEH)

6A: The Annual Survey of Coalitions: Insights from 2021 and the last 10 Years

Albert Terrillion

The Annual Survey of Coalitions has been fielded since 2005. Most respondents are Drug Free Communities grant recipients and others funded by additional mechanisms like Partnership for Success Grants. This data-collection identifies the number of community anti-drug coalitions by important characteristics and includes questions on strategies and other details relative to coalitions' training by Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA).

6B: Maryland Prevention Workforce Assessment: Findings and Next Steps to Enhance the MD Prevention Workforce

Vanessa Michel Dukes | Michelle Taylor | Paris Barnes | Nicole Sealfon

With extensive research and communication with other states who have successfully completed a prevention workforce assessment, a 40-item survey was created by the Behavioral Health Resources and Technical Assistance team (BHRT) from the University of Maryland to inquire about respondents' background in public health, their level of skill and knowledge about the SPF process and their job satisfaction.

6C: What Do Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Mean When We All Look The Same?

Shannon Cassidy | Priscila Giamassi | Christina Mancebo-Torres | Ivy Jones Turner

Having a diverse and inclusive coalition is key when developing prevention efforts that are responsive to diverse community needs and promote equitable outcomes. But, what does that mean in racially/ethnically homogenous contexts? This session will explore and expand upon traditional notions of diversity and challenge participants to commit to creative approaches for increasing inclusion in the name of enhancing equity.

6D: Ohio's Prevention & Early Intervention Strategic Plan: A Road Map for Providing Expansive, Strong Infrastructure and Support to Sustain the Future of Effective Prevention in Ohio

Valerie Leach | Bobbie Boyer

This session will focus on Ohio's approach to developing and implementing the Ohio School Wellness Initiative (OSWI) and how the initiative is increasing the capacity of schools to provide students and families increased access to high quality, culturally appropriate behavioral health prevention and early intervention services in K-12 schools.

6E: Why the Prevention Specialist Certification Matters

Nicole Augustine

The root causes of addiction are complex, and having a theoretical understanding of that complexity is most important for developing effective prevention strategies. This session will explore the benefits of certification, and specifically how the professionalization of the field is critical to the prevention workforce effectively responding to call to prioritize health equity.

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM EST | Workshop Session VI (1 CEH)

6F: Leading Wellness on the Wind River Reservation

Eric Shropshire | Phil Steven | Marcus Red Thunder

The Eastern Shoshone Tribe resides on the Wind River Indian Reservation located in central Wyoming. With more than 2.2 million acres of land, the WRR is home to the Eastern Shoshone and Northern Arapaho tribes. The mission of the Eastern Shoshone Recovery Program is to provide community-based, integrated treatment services that encompass native core cultural values and Medicine Wheel teachings to the individuals, families, and community impacted by addictions.

This session will describe efforts at Eastern Shoshone Recovery program to engage youth and families through the Gathering of Native Americans (GONAs). GONA is a culture-based planning process that is grounded in tribal histories, knowledge, and understanding that it is effective. The program promotes protective factors and concepts of belonging, mastery, generosity, and interconnectedness. Attendees will learn how to plan, implement, and evaluate a successful GONA.

6G: Applying Continuous Quality Improvement in Prevention Strategy Implementation (Advanced content session)

Erin Ficker

This workshop will focus on how prevention practitioners can use the continuous quality improvement (CQI) models and tools to increase the implementation of prevention processes and strategies. The workshop will provide CQI tools that can be used to implement more efficient and effective prevention strategies.

2:00 PM - 3:15 PM EST | Closing Keynote Session (1.5 CEH's)

Considering Cannabis: Emerging Science, Relevant Research, and Healthy Opportunities for Prevention to Empower Change

Jason Kilmer, PhD, Associate Professor, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences University of Washington School of Medicine

As more states change the legal status of cannabis for non-medical or medical purposes, it is important to consider what this evolving legal climate means for prevention efforts, particularly for youth, adolescents, and young adults. During this keynote address, we will review the science related to cannabis and increasing THC concentration/potency, as well as the associations between cannabis use and mental health, academic outcomes, risk for addiction, and other outcomes. Opportunities for prevention and intervention will be discussed.