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Mission

The leaders in criminal justice and mental health participating in this effort strive to end the criminalization of individuals with mental illness by supporting proven strategies that promote early intervention, access to effective treatments, a planned re-entry and the preservation of public safety.

Vision

A true shift in the paradigm between criminal justice and mental health will embody an effective jail diversion system that fosters a successful and ongoing exchange of information among courts, criminal justice agencies, mental health professions, government and nongovernmental organizations, to achieve a substantial positive change in the way individuals with mental illness are treated within our communities.

To obtain more information about this effort, or the group of individuals who have joined together in this effort, please write to, call, or e-mail Perry Communications Group at:

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Notes:

Lined area for notes.

From Words to Deeds

Changing the Paradigm for Criminal Justice and Mental Health

Fourth in a Series of Interactive Workshops

Friday, June 29, 2007
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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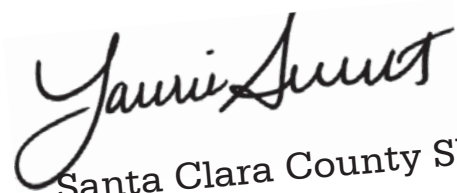


Welcome and thank you for attending today's **interactive workshop**.

Words to Deeds is an ongoing series of workshops that bring together leaders of our government and criminal justice system. We seek to change a paradigm that criminalizes mental illness and burdens our justice system. The objective of Words to Deeds is to provide attendees with practical tools to implement solutions to the criminalization of mental illness.

In previous Words to Deeds workshops, we have reviewed existing approaches to jail diversion, best practices in the courts and in the field, and discussed successful interdisciplinary and interagency collaborations as well as the development of the necessary budgetary resources to implement successful programs. In this, the fourth Words to Deeds workshop, we will examine how evidence-based data can be developed to prove to policymakers and funding authorities the success and cost effectiveness of programs addressing mentally ill offenders. We will pay special attention to Mental Health Courts and discuss evidence of their success.

As in previous workshops, we hope you will leave with knowledge of those actual deeds and actions that can be taken in your area to solve problems.



Santa Clara County Sheriff
Laurie Smith
CSSA President



San Benito County Sheriff
Curtis Hill
CSSA Secretary

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Agenda

9:30 a.m. Registration

10:00 a.m. Welcome and Introduction

- Laurie Smith – Santa Clara County Sheriff and CSSA President
- Dave Meyer – Clinical Professor/Research Scholar, USC

10:30 a.m. Keynote Presentation: Pay me now or pay me later: The benefits of jail diversion

- Leon Evans—Chairman-Elect, National Association of County Behavioral Health and Developmental Disability Directors (NACBHDD) and President/CEO, The Center for Health Care Services (San Antonio, Texas)

11:00 a.m. Lock and Load: Data as ammunition to target funds and drive policy for improved outcomes

A panel discussion led by Helen Thomson, Yolo County Supervisor and Chair, California State Association of Counties Health Committee

Panelists:

- M. Susan Ridgley – Senior Policy Analyst, RAND Corporation
- Alison Cuellar – Assistant Professor of Health Policy and Management, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University
- Lonnie Snowden – Professor, UC Berkeley School of Social Welfare

12:30 p.m. Lunch, Keynote Address

- Stephen W. Mayberg, Ph.D., Director, California Department of Mental Health

1:30 p.m. Working Groups

Groups will focus on strategies to impact the following stakeholders. Please refer to your colored Breakout Worksheet for your assignment.

- Judges (Orange) – Moderated by Judge Stephen Manley, Santa Clara County Superior Court
- Elected Officials (Purple) – Moderated by Helen Thomson, Yolo County Supervisor and Chair, California State Association of Counties Health Committee
- Criminal Justice (Green) – Moderated by Pete O'Hara, El Dorado County Deputy District Attorney
- Community Mental Health (Blue) – Moderated by Duane McWaine, M.D., Didi Hirsh Community Mental Health Center
- County Mental Health (Burgundy) – Moderated by Gale Bataille, San Mateo County Mental Health Director

3:30 p.m. Break

3:45 p.m. Working Group Reports

4:15 p.m. Keynote Presentation

- William C. Vickrey, Administrative Director of the California Courts

4:45 p.m. Closing

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