



COMMUNITIES COLLABORATING FOR POSITIVE CHANGE

MARCH 24-25, 2022 • OMNI CORPUS CHRISTI

Day I • March 24, 2022

8:00 AM • Check In

Opening Panel and Plenaries take place in Corpus Christi Ballroom A&B

8:30 Welcome & Opening Remarks
Honorable Barbara A. Canales
 Nueces County Commissioners Court Judge
Jennifer Sharpe Potter, PhD, MPH
 Vice President for Research, Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, UT Health San Antonio

8:45 Opening Panel: Communities Collaborating for Positive Change
Hildebrando Mireles III, LPC-S, PhD Candidate
 Director of Substance Use Services, Tropical Texas Behavioral Health
Alicia Kowalchuk, DO, FASAM
 Associate Professor, Baylor College of Medicine
Aaron Ferguson
 Regional Impact Manager, Community Medical Services
Brandon del Pozo, PhD, MPA, MA
 Postdoctoral Fellow, Miriam Hospital, Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University
 Associate Faculty, Department of Health Policy and Management, Johns Hopkins Blumberg School of Public Affairs
 Research Fellow, Global Law Enforcement and Public Health Association, & Executive Fellow, National Police Foundation
Moderator: Jennifer Potter, PhD
 Vice President for Research, Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, UT Health San Antonio

10:00 Plenary I: Texas Perspective on Public Health and Evidence-Based Approach for Improving the Substance Use Treatment Ecosystem
Crystal Walker, DMSc, PA-C
 Director of Substance Use Disorders Clinical Services
 MHMR of Tarrant County

11:00 Break • Exhibitors

Corpus Christi Ballroom C

11:15 Plenary II: Innovation and Reform in Substance Use, Law Enforcement, and Policing
Brandon del Pozo, PhD, MPA, MA
 Postdoctoral Fellow, Miriam Hospital, Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University
 Associate Faculty, Department of Health Policy and Management, Johns Hopkins Blumberg School of Public Affairs
 Research Fellow, Global Law Enforcement and Public Health Association, & Executive Fellow, National Police Foundation

12:15 Networking Lunch Break & Exhibitors

Corpus Christi Ballroom C

Hands On Workshops (HOW's):

1:15	Alcohol Use Disorder Jennifer Papac, MD Alicia Kowalchuk, DO, FASAM <i>Corpus Christi Ballroom A</i>	Leveraging Health Information to Abate The Overdose Crisis Kasey Claborn, PhD <i>Nueces Ballroom B</i>	Peer Recovery Support Services Master Class Jose Flores, LCDC, CCJP Richard Hamner, LMSW, RSPS Elizabeth Castaneda, LMSW <i>Aransas Room</i>	Scene Safety and Patient Support in Overdose Response Encounters Brandon del Pozo, PhD Daniel Sledge, BA, LP Annie Burwell, LBSW <i>Laguna Madre Room</i>	TTOR SUMMIT Gathering of State Texas Targeted Opioid Response Grant Programs Invitation Only <i>Nueces Ballroom A</i>
	Methamphetamine Use Disorder: An Emerging Epidemic Sidarth Wakhlu, MD <i>Corpus Christi Ballroom A</i>	Motivational Interviewing Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment Mary Velasquez, PhD <i>Nueces Ballroom B</i>			

4:30 Break • Exhibitors

Corpus Christi Ballroom C

4:45 Plenary III: Creating Supportive Treatment Environments for BIPOC, Tailoring Treatment to the Realities of Substance Use at the Border
Julia Lechuga, MA, PhD
 Associate Professor of Public Health
 The University of Texas at El Paso College of Health Sciences

5:45 Reception, Exhibitors & Poster Session

Corpus Christi Ballroom C



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Day II • March 25, 2022

8:00 AM • Check In In

Opening, Keynote, Leadership Panel and Local Summit take place in Corpus Christi Ballroom A&B

Welcome & Opening Remarks

8:30 **Lucas G. Hill, PharmD, BCACP**
Clinical Associate Professor, The University of Texas at Austin College of Pharmacy
Director, Pharmacy Addictions Research & Medicine Program

Keynote: Incorporating Harm Reduction in Substance Use Disorder Treatment

8:45 **Kimberly Sue, MD, PhD**
Medical Director of the National Harm Reduction Coalition
Physician-Anthropologist and instructor, Program in Addiction Medicine at the Yale School of Medicine

9:45 Break • Exhibitors

Corpus Christi Ballroom C

Breakout Sessions and Workshops

10:00	Complex SUD Medication Management: Microdosing, Long-Acting Injectables, and Special Populations Jennifer Papac, MD Amanda Simonton, PhD, APRN <i>Nueces Ballroom A</i>	Best Practices in Screening and Treatment Initiation Mary Velasquez, PhD Jananie Ramesh, MD <i>Nueces Ballroom B</i>	Outreach, Screening, Assessment and Referral (OSAR) – Getting to Know Your Texas SUD Resources Hildebrando Mireles III, LPC-S Jessica Cance, PhD Anna Eisenberg, MPH <i>Corpus Christi Ballroom A&B</i>	Developing a Local Harm Reduction Coalition Texas Harm Reduction Alliance Cate Graziani Eli Cortez, MSW <i>Aransas Room</i>	Leveraging Paramedicine Teams to Solve the U.S. Overdose Epidemic Andrea Yatsco, PhD, CADC, LCDC Lisa Cleveland, PhD, RN Daniel Sledge, BA, LP Annie Burwell, LBSW Christopher Velasquez, NREMT-P <i>Laguna Madre Room</i>
		Optimizing Collaboration to Enhance Treatment Access Lucas Hill, PharmD Lindsey Loera, PharmD <i>Nueces Ballroom B</i>		What is TxCOPE and How Can It Help Your Organization Kasey Claborn, PhD <i>Aransas Room</i>	
11:00					

12:00 Networking Lunch Break & Exhibitors

Corpus Christi Ballroom C

State Leadership Panel

1:00

Lisa Ramirez, MA
Senior Policy Advisor for Behavioral Health Services, Texas Health and Human Services Commission

Kasey Strey, ACPS
Director for the Texas Targeted Opioid Response, Texas Health and Human Services Commission

Andy Keller, PhD
President, Chief Executive Officer, and Linda Perryman Evans Presidential Chair of the Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute

Jennifer Sharpe Potter, PhD, MPH
Vice President for Research, Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, UT Health San Antonio

Moderator: Lucas Hill, PharmD, BCACP
Clinical Associate Professor, The University of Texas at Austin College of Pharmacy
Director, Pharmacy Addictions Research & Medicine Program

2:15 Closing Remarks and Call to Action

Jennifer Sharpe Potter, PhD, MPH
Vice President for Research, Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, UT Health San Antonio

2:30 2022 TxSUS Adjourns

Local Summit: Focus on Corpus Christi and the Nueces County Region

Facilitators:

2:30	Nelly Garcia Blow, DO Geriatrician, CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital – Shoreline	Melissa Sweeting, LBSW Executive Director, The Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse Costal Bend
	Xavier Gonzales, PhD Research Associate Professor, S&E Life Sciences, Texas A&M University Corpus Christi Honorable Barbara A. Canales, JD Nueces County Commissioners Court Judge Mark Hendrix II, MS, LPC Director of Operations at Nueces Center for Mental health and Intellectual Disabilities	Ruben Bernal Peer Recovery Coach, The Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse Costal Bend Alison Johnson, MS, CHES, CHW, LCDC Program Coordinator, Coastal Bend Wellness Foundation Mark Schauer Assistant Chief of Police, Corpus Christi Police Department