

**CLOSING SESSION**  
RENO BALLROOM, CASINO LEVEL  
Wednesday, January 11, 2017  
10:15am – 11:30am

***Gender Matters: Reformulating Risk, Need, and Responsivity for Justice-Involved Women***  
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Emily J. Salisbury, Ph.D. is an associate professor of criminal justice at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. She also serves as editor-in-chief of *Criminal Justice and Behavior*, the official academic research journal of the International Association for Correctional and Forensic Psychology. *Criminal Justice and Behavior* is the leading publication source for research on evidence-based correctional practices among offender populations. She is also co-author of the book, *Correctional Counseling and Rehabilitation*, currently in its 9<sup>th</sup> edition at Routledge Publishing.

Dr. Salisbury's primary research interests include correctional policy, assessment, and treatment intervention strategies, with a particular focus on women offenders and gender-responsive policy. Her research publications have appeared in several top academic journals and edited volumes. While attending the University of Cincinnati, where she earned her Ph.D., Dr. Salisbury was the project director of two research sites that developed and validated the *Women's Risk Needs Assessment* (WRNA) instruments in a cooperative agreement with the National Institute of Corrections. The WRNA correctional assessments are specifically designed to focus on the criminogenic needs of justice-involved women, and has been implemented in over 25 international and domestic jurisdictions.

This session will focus on the "gender-responsive principles of effective intervention." Specifically, it will inform on how Risk, Need, and Responsivity principles each look different for women in both theory and practice, and why it is no longer accepted practice to relegate gender to responsivity principles. Evidence from various gender-responsive research inquiries will be used to inform the presentation, including the Women's Risk Needs Assessment (WRNA).