

PLENARY SESSION PANEL
MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2018
8:30 am – 10:00 am

Moving Forward: The Use of Technology and Innovative Ideas to Support Supervision Officer's Implementation of Effective Practices

This session will provide an opportunity for attendees to learn about innovative ways technology is being used to help support officers in engaging in meaningful ways with their clients. From social media to documentation system's that organically capture officer's work, this presentation will provide concrete examples of how technology can be infused into the work day to help officers deliver effective interventions. Moreover, the use of virtual reality and skills-based learning for both staff and clients will be reviewed for its practical application in corrections.

Presenter: Dr. David Huffer, Director of Office Research and Evaluation, CSOSA



David Huffer, PhD, a criminologist with the Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency (CSOSA), evaluates community-based corrections and its various components including, particularly, issues related to offenders returning to the community and the management of offenders in community settings. As one of the CSOSA's senior executive leaders, Dr. Huffer directs the Office of Research and Evaluation and serves as the Agency's performance improvement officer. He brings two decades of specialized experience to the CSOSA including the evaluation of public safety, justice, and community-based interventions as well as the design and implementation of enterprise-wide data warehousing and business intelligence solutions. His expertise are in data science and performance measurement, and

Dr. Huffer continues to guide the CSOSA toward effective, results-oriented community-based corrections. His primary responsibilities include *a)* the design and management of program evaluations; *b)* the design, maintenance, and enhancement of performance management initiatives including constructing performance measures and key performance indicators, delivering information, and monitoring performance; and *c)* the preparation and validation of submissions to the Agency's stakeholders including the Office of Management and Budget and the Appropriations Committees of the United States Congress

Presenter: Dr. Brandon Mathews, Parole Board Member, Colorado Board of Parole



Dr. Brandon Mathews is a practitioner, academic, and innovator focusing on carceral systems and organizations. He has experience in community and institutional corrections, with expertise in implementation science, leadership, and organizational development. Dr. Mathews' practical experience includes leading residential community correctional programs across Colorado, where he led efforts to develop and implement innovations focused on transforming the way practitioners master their craft and deliver evidence-based practices. His research includes the development of fidelity tools, change models, and frameworks to help systems facilitate innovation uptake. Recent works have appeared in the *Organization Development Journal*, *Criminal Justice Studies*, the *Journal of Criminal Justice Education*, the

Journal of Community Corrections and the *Journal of Organizational Change Management*. Dr. Mathews is currently the Director of Organizational Effectiveness with the Alliance for Criminal Justice Innovation (ACJI) a future-focused criminal justice consultancy concentrating on the impact that people, leadership, data and culture have on successful client behavior change.

Presenter: Meilani Santillán, Senior Partnerships Manager, Code for America



Meilani Santillán is a Senior Partnerships Manager for the Safety and Justice team at Code for America. In her role, she establishes relationships with probation departments across the country. Meilani previously worked in business development and account management in the advertising technology space, most recently at Applovin. Meilani also spent several years working in social impact, including teaching positions at Upward Bound and Houston Area Women's Center. She received her B.A. from Rice University in Houston, Texas.

Presenter: Larry Vanderwoude, LCDC, CEO and Founder, Recovery Healthcare Corporation



Larry Vanderwoude, LCDC, is the chief executive officer and founder of Dallas-based Recovery Healthcare Corporation (RHC), a multi-state outpatient substance abuse treatment facility that provides assessment, education, treatment, intervention, and monitoring services for drug- and alcohol-dependent individuals throughout the state of Texas. He is one of the country's leading criminal justice service providers with 25 years working with drug, DUI, and domestic violence courts and offenders. A Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor in the State of Texas, Vanderwoude is an expert on the intersection of substance abuse and crime and has been interviewed by national media as a recognized leader in the field. In 2003, at the request of Dallas County court officials, Vanderwoude became an early adopter of innovative monitoring technologies and the first addiction treatment program for criminal offenders in the U.S. to integrate regular monitoring into their long-term outpatient treatment protocol. Today, Recovery Healthcare is the largest provider of alcohol monitoring technologies worldwide and incorporates multiple options for location monitoring and drug testing into their supervision and substance abuse treatment programs. He co-authored the current edition of the Texas DWI Intervention Program Curriculum, and he has served as a faculty member for the Texas Association of Court Administrators. He is also a contract trainer for the Texas Department of State Health Services. He has both founded and been involved in a variety of community service organizations most with an emphasis on child abuse and neglect prevention. He is currently chairman-elect of the Dallas 24 Hour club, which provides safe, sober transitional living for homeless men and women seeking a brand-new life away from drugs and alcohol.

Moderator: Brian Lovins, Assistant Director, Harris County CSCD



Dr. Brian Lovins is the assistant director for Harris County Community Supervision and Corrections Department. He earned his Ph.D. in criminology from the University of Cincinnati, School of Criminal Justice. In addition to his work in Harris County, he was appointed as the co-editor for APPA's Perspectives Journal, Prior to Houston, his work at the School of Criminal Justice included developing a state-wide juvenile risk assessment (Ohio Youth Assessment System: OYAS) and adult risk assessment (Ohio Risk Assessment System: ORAS), as well as redesigning juvenile and adult correctional programs to meet evidence-based standards. Dr. Lovins has been invited to present to over 200 agencies and routinely trains agencies in the principles of effective intervention, risk assessment, and the delivery of cognitive-behavioral interventions.

Dr. Lovins has received the Dr. Simon Dinitz Award for his work and dedication in helping correctional agencies adopt evidence-based programs, as well as a Distinguished Alumnus Award from the University of Cincinnati. In addition, he has published articles on risk assessment, sexual offenders, effective interventions, and cognitive-behavioral interventions.