



2023 ANNUAL CONFERENCE & EXPOSITION | JULY 21-24

**TRAVIS
COUNTY**
TEXAS

Enhancing Wellbeing: Summit on Mental Health

Sunday, July 23, 2:30 PM - 5:00 PM | Location: Level 1, Ballroom A

Meeting Description

In response to increasing mental health caseloads across the country, county officials are partnering with local and state leaders to develop behavioral health continuums of care. NACo's National Commission on Mental Health and Wellbeing will lead discussions on best practices around intergovernmental partnerships that support the 988 Lifeline and crisis response, the entry point to behavioral health systems of care; bolster the increased need and resulting shortage of a behavioral health workforce; and to address exclusionary policies that often preclude effective behavioral health care options that can reduce recidivism and other cyclical service utilization patterns.

Meeting Agenda

2:30 PM: Welcome Remarks

- **Hon. Kathryn Barger**, Supervisor, Los Angeles County, Calif.
- **Hon. Dow Constantine**, County Executive, King County, Wash.
- **Dr. Marilyn Griffin, MD, FAPA, DFAACAP**, Behavioral Health Medical Director, Aetna Better Health® of Illinois

2:50 PM: Fireside Chat: Intergovernmental Partnerships to Support a Mental Health System of Care

- **Moderator: Dr. Gina Nikkel**, Executive Director, Association of Oregon Counties
- **Hon. Kevin Tanner**, Commissioner, Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities
- **Hon. Henry Craig**, Commissioner, Baldwin County, Ga.; President, Association County Commissioners of Georgia

3:20 PM: Group Discussion: Intergovernmental Partnerships to Support a Mental Health System of Care

Attendees will engage in small group discussions on intergovernmental partnerships in their county that support an effective mental health system of care.

3:35 PM: Fireside Chat: Supporting County Systems of Care: Behavioral Health Workforce and Crisis Response

- **Moderator: Dr. April Aycock**, Director, Office of Mental Health, Monroe County, N.Y.
- **Ms. Marisa Malik**, Director Texas Integral Care, Travis County, Texas
- **Hon. Steve Leifman**, Judge, Miami-Dade County, Fla.

4:05 PM: Group Discussion: Supporting County Systems of Care: Behavioral Health Workforce and Crisis Response

Attendees will engage in small group discussions on innovative solutions their county is interested in pursuing to bolster the behavioral health workforce and crisis response.

4:20 PM: Panel Discussion: Leveraging Federal Waivers to Enhance Behavioral Health Care Continuity

- **Moderator: Hon. Clay Jenkins**, Judge, Dallas County, Texas
- **Hon. Peter Koutoujian**, Sheriff, Middlesex County, Mass.
- **Mr. Hamilton Baiden**, Chief Executive Officer, Youturn Health

5:00 PM: Summit Adjourns

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