



## **A Conversation on the County Role in Behavioral Health: Building Systems and Diverting Individuals from Jails**

Saturday, February 20, 9:00 – 11:00AM | Marriott Wardman Park Hotel | Room: Washington 4

*This special session is open to all conference attendees and is jointly convened by the Justice and Public Safety Steering Committee, the Health Steering Committee and the Healthy Counties Advisory Board.*

Counties are at the forefront of providing comprehensive systems of health care to their residents, including those who need behavioral health services. County behavioral health systems have been evolving to better meet the needs of their residents and innovating as they respond to federal directives, including health care reform and changes to managed care. Counties are also developing unique partnerships with behavioral health services, support services and local justice systems. NACo's Stepping Up initiative is helping counties advance efforts to prevent jails from becoming de facto behavioral health treatment centers. As behavioral health systems are changing, it is important for counties to understand what these reforms mean to their system and how they can best implement them to best serve their residents. In this meeting, county peers will discuss their progress, challenges and strategies for addressing the behavioral health needs of their residents and for keeping individuals out of jails through comprehensive support systems.

### **Draft Meeting Agenda**

#### Welcome and Introductions

- **Hon. Joan Garner**, Commissioner, Fulton County, Ga. and Healthy Counties Advisory Board Chair
- **Hon. Linda Higgins**, Commissioner, Hennepin County, Minn. and Health Steering Committee Behavioral Subcommittee Chair
- **Hon. Gregg Moore**, Commissioner, Eau Claire County, Wis. and Justice and Public Safety Steering Committee Courts and Corrections Subcommittee Chair

#### The Changing Landscape of County Behavioral Health

- **Patrick Fleming**, NACo Senior Fellow and former director, Behavioral Health Services, Salt Lake County, Utah

#### Behavioral Health and Justice Partnerships

- **Hon. Gregg Moore**, Commissioner, Eau Claire County, Wisc.

#### Federal Update: Using Open Data to Improve Outcomes

- **Lynn Overmann**, Senior Advisor to the U.S. Chief Technology Officer for Criminal Justice, the White House (invited)

#### Meeting Concludes

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