

2025 Annual TASC Conference • RISE TX



March 24-26, 2025 • Corpus Christi, TX • Omni Corpus Christi

CONFERENCE AGENDA

Monday, March 24, 2025

9:00–11:00am **BOD Meeting**

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12:00pm **Registration Opens**

1:00–1:30pm **Welcome & Intro**

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1:30–2:30pm **PLENARY SESSION #1**

Standard IV – Incentives, Sanctions, & Service Adjustments

Judge Rick A. Williams (All Rise)

2:30–2:45pm **Break**

2:45–4:00pm **WORKSHOP SESSION #1 (choose one)**

**ADULT Treatment Court Data: How to Capture, Use It, & Engage
Community Partners**

Lisa M. Williams (NCSC)

Corpus Christi

VET Transforming Trauma Into Triumph for Our Veterans

Dr. Kenneth Robinson (CCI)

Nueces A

**JUV/FAM Adolescent & Family Recovery Capital 101
for JDTCs & FDTCs - Part 1**

Martha-Elin Blomquist, Ph.D. (NCJFCJ) & Nancy Castillo

Bayview

**RECOV Not About Us Without Us:
The Voices of Family Drug Court Alumni Panel**

Francesca Nadalini

Aransas

**MISC That's Confidential: The Roles & Responsibilities of Prosecutors
& Defense Attorneys in Treatment Courts (Ethics)**

Judge Rick A. Williams & Mike Loeffler (All Rise)

Nueces B

4:00–4:15pm **Break**

4:15–5:30pm **WORKSHOP SESSION #2 (choose one)**

ADULT Leveraging University Partnerships

Kevin Edwards & Dr. Haley Zettler

Nueces B

**VET Identifying Justice-involved Military Early & Accurately,
Connecting With Creative Resources, & Respecting Military
Experiences in Treatment Courts**

Lisa M. Williams (NCSC)

Nueces A

**JUV/FAM Adolescent & Family Recovery Capital 101
for JDTCs & FDTCS - Part 2**

Martha-Elin Blomquist, Ph.D. (NCJFCJ) & Nancy Castillo

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RECOV Recovery Support Services - Peer Coaching Works!

Justin Holland & Trinity Moore

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MISC The Importance of Team Building

Dr. Kenneth Robinson (CCI)

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Tuesday, March 25, 2025

7:30–8:30am **AA Meeting**

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8:30–11:00am **PRESIDENT'S AWARDS BREAKFAST**

TASC Business Meeting

PLENARY SESSION #2

**The New Drug Trend of “Dabbing,” the Use of E-Cigarettes,
& Edibles in the Drug World**

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11:00–1:00pm **Lunch - On Your Own**

1:00–2:15pm **WORKSHOP SESSION #3 (choose one)**

ADULT MAT & MOUD in Treatment Courts

Corina Freitas (NCSC)

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VET Risk Needs Responsivity Model in Veteran Treatment Courts

Terri Williams & Cynthia Gray

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**JUV/FAM Juvenile Drug Treatment Court Guidelines:
An Overview & Pathway to Better Outcomes**

Martha-Elin Blomquist, Ph.D. (NCJFCJ)

Nueces A

RECOV The Case for Fathers: Building a Father-Friendly Court

Dallin Belt (HHSC)

Bayview

MISC Life After Death: Overcoming Childhood Trauma

LaTasha Williams (Cheryl's Voice)

Nueces B

2:15–2:30pm **Break**

2:30–3:45pm **PLENARY SESSION #3**
**When Sanctions & Incentives Don't Work:
Responding to Addiction Driven Non-Compliance**
Vanessa Matthews (All Rise)

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3:45–4:00pm **Break**

4:00–5:15pm **WORKSHOP SESSION #4 (choose one)**

**MISC How to Partner With Your County to Maximize Support
for Your Specialty Court**
Judge Aurora Martinez Jones & Brook Son

Bayview

**MISC An Inside Look at Support Initiatives, BeST Assessment/
Peer Review Process, & Grant Application Review**
Erin Morgan, Amber Gregory, Judge Elizabeth Rainey

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MISC DV/IPV Language Matters
Amber Middleton & Lindy Hall

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MISC Engaging Families, Schools, & Community
Martha-Elin Blomquist, Ph.D. (NCJFCJ) & Nancy Castillo

Nueces B

**MISC 10 Guiding Principles in '25: Examining Effective Practices
With High-Risk/High-Need Impaired Drivers**
Jessica Lange (All Rise)

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Wednesday, March 26, 2025

7:00–8:00am **AA Meeting**

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7:30–8:30am **Judicial Breakfast**

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7:30–8:30am **Continental Breakfast**

8:30–9:30am **PLENARY SESSION #4**
**Evaluation 101 for Treatment Court Researchers:
What to Collect & How to Measure It**
Tara Casanova Powell (All Rise)

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9:30–9:45am **Break**

9:45–10:45am **WORKSHOP SESSION #5 (choose one)**

**ADULT 10-ish Things You Might Not Know Best Practices
Tells Courts to Do**
Judge Elizabeth Rainey

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VET Intimate Partner Violence in VTCs
Casey Taft, Ph.D (NCSC)

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JUV/FAM Family Treatment Court Guidelines

Judge Aurora Martinez Jones & Amber Middleton

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**RECOV Building a Stronger Recovery: Family Engagement & Involvement
Multidimensional Family Therapy, An Evidence-Based Program**

Doris Perdomo-Johnson (NCSC)

Bayview

**MISC Trauma Informed Care Responses While Maintaining
Specialty Court Program Integrity**

Elizabeth Mederos & Linda Milburn

Nueces B

10:45-11:00am Break

11:00am-12:00pm PLENARY SESSION #5

What Does It Mean to be a Trauma Informed Court?

Doris Perdomo-Johnson & Judge Peggy Davis (NCSC)

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