

# Travel Approval Form

Department: Juvenile Services

Event Name: 2026 Drug Impact Conference

Location: Allen TX

Event Dates: July 20th-23rd, 2026

Purpose:  Required Continuing Education/Certification  
 Job Training  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Attendees:

Kacie Hand \_\_\_\_\_

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Court Decision:  
This section to be completed by County Judge's Office



**3-09-2026**

## Required Documents Checklist:

**\*\* Same-Day Travel - Commissioners Court Approval is not required \*\***

### Overnight Travel

- Travel Approval Form
- Registration Information or Confirmation
- Itinerary, Agenda, or Breakdown
- Hotel Information, Confirmation, or Hotel Reservation Request Form

### For Out of State Travel, please also include:

- Cost Estimation Breakdown for Trip with Airfare, Rental Car, Meals, Hotel, Etc.
- Narrative as to why the Out of State Travel is necessary

Signature of Elected Official/Department Head:



diacetylmorphine

80% lifetime relapse rate

2-3x stronger than morphine

opioid poppy

# 2026 DRUG IMPACT CONFERENCE

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impaired motor function

dry mouth

depressed respiration

euphoria

heavy in limbs

warm flush

heart infections

death

drowsiness

constricted pupils

COPD

skull and crossbones icons

**Marriott Dallas Allen Hotel & Convention Center** 777 Watters Creek Blvd, Allen, TX 75013



**Room Rate:** \$123/night or prevailing per diem

*Hotel arrangements are the responsibility of the participant. Reservations should be made by June 29, 2026, to guarantee rates.*

**THE DRUG IMPACT CONFERENCE**, presented by the Correctional Management Institute of Texas, is a yearly event devoted to topics related to drugs in all aspects of society. Topics of discussion range from drug identification and effects to investigative and procedural techniques.

## **COST**

\$290 per participant

Includes breaks, training materials, and a variety of dynamic professional speakers.

## **CREDIT**

Each participant is eligible for up to 18 credit hours.

## **CONFERENCE DETAILS**

Sign-in & On-site Registration will begin on July 20, 2026 from 1:00pm to 5:00pm and will continue July 21, 2026 from 7:00am to 8:00am. Conference will begin July 20th at 3:00pm and will end July 23rd at 12:00pm.

## **PAST SESSION TOPICS**

- Adolescent Substance Abuse
- Drug Cartels
- Co-Occurring Diagnoses
- Fighting Addiction
- Disturbing Trends
- Drug Specialty Courts
- Officer Safety
- Mental Health Courts
- Drugs & Human Trafficking
- Medication Assisted Treatment
- Addiction to Support Recovery
- and More!

**Register & pay online at [www.cmitonline.org](http://www.cmitonline.org)**

**Cancellation Policy:** If the participant has already paid, he/she will be refunded half the cost of the registration fee if written notice of cancellation is received by the Correctional Management Institute of Texas no later than ten (10) business days prior to the program. No refunds are available after this date, but substitutions of attendees are permitted. If no written cancellation is received and the participant does not attend the program, the participant/agency will be required to pay 100% of the registration fee if the registration fee was not previously paid.

## **QUESTIONS?**

Contact Vanessa Farmer at 936.294.1706 or [vfarmer@shsu.edu](mailto:vfarmer@shsu.edu)

# 2026 Drug Impact Conference

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The Drug Impact Conference is a professional development event that explores the evolving landscape of substance use and its effects on justice-involved individuals, communities, and the systems that serve them. Attendees engage with content that highlights current drug trends, substance-related behaviors, intervention strategies, collaborative approaches to treatment and supervision, and practical mechanisms for addressing the challenges associated with drugs and their impact on public safety and rehabilitation. Through a mix of sessions that blend research insights, real-world examples, and multidisciplinary perspectives, the conference equips participants with knowledge and tools to enhance their understanding, improve decision-making, and strengthen responses to substance use issues within their work.

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[Register Online](#) →

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## Topics

- Everything You Need to Know about Cannabis
- Kratom: The New Drug Substitute
- Digital Underworld: How Social Media Fuels the Drug Trade
- Target to Takedown
- Community Drug Threats: Fentanyl, Fake Pills and Vaping
- Substance Use, Trauma, Grief, and Loss: Hidden Drivers of Relapse in Justice-Involved Clients
- Jailhouse Drug Smuggling: Detection & Disruption
- Special Opioid Populations - How to Impact Them
- Beyond Addiction: Building Self-Efficacy and Resilience in Justice Involved Populations

## Date/Time:

July 20, 2026 - July 23, 2026

*All times are shown in U.S. Central Time (CT).*

## Early Registration Ends:

June 29, 2026

## Cost:

Early Registration - \$290.00

Late Registration - \$363.00

## Location\*:

Marriott Dallas Allen Hotel & Convention Center

777 Watters Creek Blvd  
Allen, TX 75013

## Hotel\*:

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Allen, TX 75013

Phone: 469-675-0800

Reserve Online

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- Monsters Among Us, Ethics in the World of Community Corrections
- Stimulants/Hallucinogens – Recognition, Management & Expectations
- From Emotion to Action: Using the Unified Protocol for Substance Use Recovery
- Consequences of Fentanyl and Nitazenes in the Carceral Setting
- Current Drug Trends from Arrest to Conviction

### **Who Should Attend?**

- Jail/Prison
- Community Corrections
- Leadership
- Support Staff
- Other

### **Training Hours:**

18

### **Dress Code:**

Business Casual

*Clothing should be professional, and no caps/hats or shorts are permitted. Slacks, khakis, skirts, dresses, button-downs, or blouses are acceptable. It is always recommended to bring a light jacket in case the training room is cold.*

### **Now Accepting Exhibitors:**

Download Exhibitor Packet →

### **For more information, contact:**

Vanessa Farmer, Project Coordinator

Phone: (936) 294-1706

[vfarmers@shsu.edu](mailto:vfarmers@shsu.edu)

**Additional Information:**

Conference check-in begins on Monday, July 20, 2026, from 1pm-5pm and continues on Tuesday, July 21, 2026, from 7-8am. The first session is on Monday, July 20, 2026, at 3pm. The conference will end at noon on Thursday, July 23, 2026.

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## CONFERENCE AGENDA

### MONDAY, JULY 20

1:00–5:00pm Registration

The Porch

3:00–5:00pm **GENERAL SESSION**  
**Everything You Need to Know about Cannabis**  
Ryan Hutton

Starlight I&II

6:00–8:00pm Reception

Starlight III

### TUESDAY, JULY 21

7:00–8:00am Registration

The Porch

7:00–5:00pm Exhibit Hall Open

Starlight III

8:00–9:30am **BREAKOUT SESSIONS** (choose one)

I **Kratom: The New Drug Substitute**  
Ryan Hutton

Starlight I

II **Digital Underworld: How Social Media Fuels the Drug Trade**  
Ryan Armstrong

Starlight II

III **Target to Takedown**  
Calvin Scudder

Percolator

9:30–10:00am Morning Break – Visit with Exhibitors

Starlight III

10:00–11:30am **BREAKOUT SESSIONS** (repeated from 8:00am)

11:30–1:30pm Lunch (On Your Own)

1:30-3:00pm **BREAKOUT SESSIONS** (choose one)

- I **Community Drug Threats: Fentanyl, Fake Pills and Vaping** *Starlight I*  
Wendell Campbell
- II **Substance Use, Trauma, Grief, and Loss:  
Hidden Drivers of Relapse in Justice-Involved Clients** *Starlight II*  
Stephanie Tran & Gloria Ramirez
- III **Jailhouse Drug Smuggling: Detection & Disruption** *Percolator*  
Ana Ortiz & Anthony Bush

3:00-3:30pm Afternoon Break – Visit with Exhibitors *Starlight III*

3:30-5:00pm **BREAKOUT SESSIONS** (repeated from 1:30pm)

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 22

7:00-5:00pm Exhibit Hall Open

8:00-9:30am **BREAKOUT SESSIONS** (choose one)

- I **Special Opioid Populations - How to Impact Them** *Starlight I*  
Dr. Kurt Kleinschmidt
- II **Beyond Addiction:  
Building Self-Efficacy and Resilience in Justice Involved Populations** *Starlight II*  
Candace Norris
- III **Monsters Among Us:  
Ethics in the World of Community Corrections** *Percolator*  
Leo Perez

9:30-10:00am Morning Break – Visit with Exhibitors *Starlight III*

10:00-11:30am **BREAKOUT SESSIONS** (repeated from 8:00am)

11:30-1:30pm Lunch (On Your Own)

1:30-3:00pm **BREAKOUT SESSIONS** (choose one)

- I **Stimulants/Hallucinogens:  
Recognition, Management & Expectations** *Starlight I*  
Dr. Kurt Kleinschmidt
- II **From Emotion to Action:  
Using the Unified Protocol for Substance Use Recovery** *Starlight II*  
Catherine Richardson
- III **Consequences of Fentanyl and Nitazenes in the Carceral Setting** *Percolator*  
Joseph Kolb

3:00-3:30pm Afternoon Break – Visit with Exhibitors

*Starlight III*

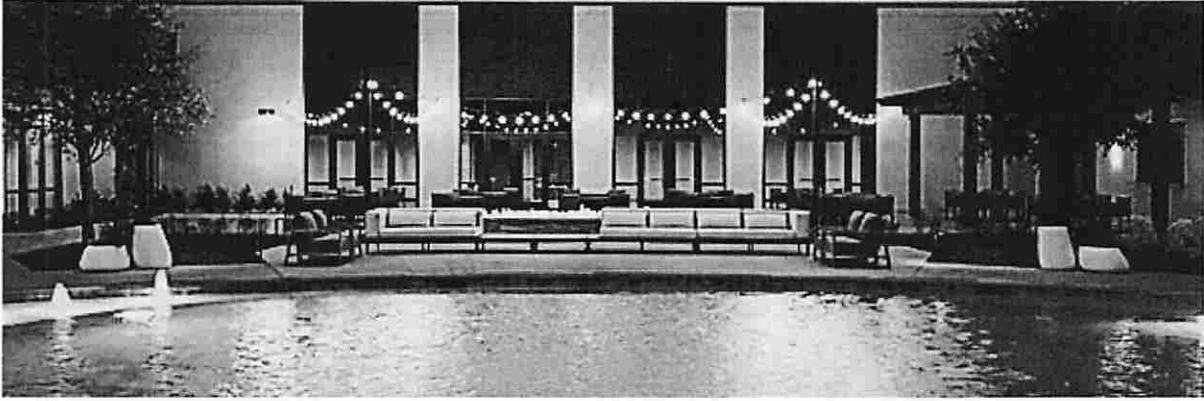
3:30-5:00pm **BREAKOUT SESSIONS** (repeated from 1:30pm)

## **THURSDAY, JULY 23**

7:00- 9:00am Morning Refreshments

8:00-12:00pm **GENERAL SESSION**  
**Current Drug Trends**  
DEA

*Starlight I&II*



Check-In: Monday, July 20, 2026 03:00 PM

Check-Out: Thursday, July 23, 2026 12:00 PM

Number of rooms	1 Room
Guests per room	1 Adult
Guarantee Method	Credit Card Guarantee, Master Card
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Total for Stay (all rooms)	437.82 USD

Room 1	
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Room Type >	Guest room, 1 King
Guaranteed Requests:	

