

Announcing Webinar Presenters: Effective Programs and Partnerships for Early Diversion

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Effective community strategies for diverting people with mental and substance use disorders from unnecessary criminal justice involvement and hospital emergency department use require planning across multiple systems.

In this webinar, "Effective Programs and Partnerships for Early Diversion," three jurisdictions will share information on how cross-systems partnerships and coordinated

programming have enabled diversion of people with mental and substance use disorders away from criminal justice involvement and into treatment and services. Presenters from behavioral health and criminal justice systems will discuss successful approaches to diverting people with co-occurring disorders at multiple stages of contact with the justice system.

Presenters: Charleston, South Carolina

- **Jennifer Roberts, L.P.C., C.P.M.**, Executive Director, Charleston Dorchester Mental Health Center
- **Patricia Garrison**, Chief Deputy Special Operations, Charleston County Sheriff's Office

Harris County, Texas

- **Keena Pace, L.C.S.W.**, Chief Operating Officer, The Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD
- **Frank Webb, M.Ed.**, Project Manager, Bureau of Mental Health and Jail Diversion, Harris County Sheriff's Office

Fairfax County, Virginia

- **Abbey May, L.P.C., C.S.A.C.**, Director of Acute Services, Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board
- **Redic Morris**, Second Lieutenant, Fairfax County Sheriff's Office
- **Lisa Potter, M.Ed.**, Diversion First Manager, Office of Strategy Management for Health and Human Services

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