



National Association of Pretrial Services Agencies

2026 Annual Conference and Training Institute | Grand Sierra Resort, Reno, NV

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Judicial Education Track Sessions – for judicial officers only

Pretrial Fundamental Track Sessions

Sunday, August 30, 2026

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. -	Pre-Conference Intensives Registration Open
9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. -	Pre-Conference Intensive: Pretrial 101 - Essential Elements of a High Functioning Pretrial System Pre-Conference Intensive: Walking the Talk of Well Being: Rising from the Stress of Pretrial System Work
11:00 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. -	Annual Conference Registration Open
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. -	Federal Pretrial Meeting
4:15 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. -	First Time Attendee Orientation
6:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. -	Awards Gala Reception
7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. -	Welcome and Awards Gala & Dinner



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Monday, August 31, 2026

- 7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. - Conference Registration opens
- 8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. - Morning Coffee
- 8:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. - Welcome and Plenary Session
- 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. - Exhibitors open
- 10:15 a.m. – 11:05 a.m. - Concurrent Sessions
1. Building a Wellness Culture Within Leadership Teams
 2. Facilitating Behavior Change: Building Training Capacity, Growing the Skills
 3. Leading From the Bench: Defining a Judge's Role in Pretrial
 4. Understanding Domestic Violence Victim Survivor Behavior for Pretrial Practitioners
 5. Supervising the Impossible: Pretrial Strategies for High-Risk and Transnational Defendants
 6. Safety Baseline Training
- 10:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. - Concurrent Sessions
1. Current Research in Federal ATI Programs (Two Parts)
 2. Referee or Coach? Connecting Purpose to Practice
- 11:25 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. - Concurrent Sessions
1. Leadership and Ethical Decision Making
 2. Beyond the First Hearing: Judicial Leadership in Setting and Modifying Release Conditions
 3. Effective Use of Electronic Monitoring in Domestic Violence Cases
 4. Equity in Practice: Moving from Disparity Awareness to Operational Change
 5. Grounded in Law, Guided in Practice: Strengthening Daily Pretrial Work
 6. Pretrial 101
- 12:15 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. - Lunch Break – on your own



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- 1:45 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. - Regional Meetings (open to all attendees)
1. Northwest Region Meeting
 2. Midwest Region Meeting
 3. Atlantic Region Meeting
 4. Southern Region Meeting
 5. Northeast Region Meeting
 6. Southwest Region Meeting
 7. LCAPS Meeting
- 2:45 p.m. – 3:10 p.m. - Networking Break
- 3:10 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. - Concurrent Sessions
1. Building the Future of Pretrial Leadership: Introducing the Leadership Academy for New Pretrial Executives
 2. Diversion Courts: How we RISE
 3. Effective Interview Techniques - Part 1
 4. Elevating Pretrial Practice Through Accreditation
 5. Intimate Partner Violence 101
 6. Judicial Leadership Beyond the Bench: Building Effective Stakeholder Teams
 7. Pretrial Release and Probation: What is the Same and What is Different?
 8. The Impact (and Lessons Learned) from Illinois' Pretrial Fairness Act
- 4:10 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. - Concurrent Sessions
1. Pretrial Services: Defining the Function and Aligning Expectations
 2. Beyond Pretrial Supervision – How You Can Help All Defendants Show Up to Court
 3. Developing Data-Informed Strategies for Stepped-Down Pretrial Supervision
 4. Developing Organizational Readiness for Trauma-Informed Pretrial Practices: Lessons from NYC
 5. Effective Interview Techniques - Part 2
 6. From Silos to Teamwork: Operationalizing Collaboration in Pretrial Justice
 7. Sentencing Options that Achieve Results: A Collaborative Court Model That Works
 8. Measuring Client Success: Quantifying Positive Outcomes Beyond Traditional Performance Measures



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Tuesday, September 1, 2026

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8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. - Morning Coffee

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. - Registration Open

8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. - Plenary Session

10:00 a.m. – 10:50 a.m. - Concurrent Sessions

1. A Pretrial Release Policy Based on Risk Assessment Would Reduce Unnecessary Incarceration, Increase Racial Fairness, and Save Money
2. Beyond Pretrial Supervision – How You Can Help All Defendants Show Up to Court
3. Build a Better Pretrial Data System: Getting Centralization Right
4. Crisis Communication for Pretrial Systems
5. Pretrial Assessment - Part 1
6. So You Want to Start a Diversion Program

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. - Concurrent Sessions

1. Evolving Practices in Electronic Monitoring: Research, Realities, and Resilience (Part 1 of 2)
2. Mindset as a Lever for Change: Inside-Out Transformation of Pretrial Culture

11:10 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. - Concurrent Sessions

1. A Different Lense: Domestic Violence Case Consideration & Supervision
2. Absorbing the Impact: Vicarious Trauma, Burnout, and Building Resilience
3. Addiction 101 for Justice Professionals: Strengthening Diversion and Community Safety Through Overdose Response Partnerships
4. Leading from the Middle: Strategies for Developing Staff and Future Leaders
5. Pretrial Assessment - Part 2
6. Pretrial Release and Public Safety

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- 1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. - Plenary Session & NAPSA Business Meeting
- 2:45 p.m. – 3:10 p.m. - Networking Break
- 3:10 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. - Concurrent Sessions
1. Assessment to Recommendations - Part 1
 2. Building Pathways and Breaking Down Barriers: Alameda Superior Court's Pretrial Services Resource Centers
 3. From Screening to Stability: Building a Pretrial Mental Health Service
 4. Leadership in Pretrial Justice: An Open Discussion on Current Challenges Facing Pretrial Justice Leaders
 5. Research Collaborations in a Pretrial Setting: Risk Assessment and Supervision
 6. Staffing & Workload Sufficiency: An outline to Pretrial Workload Analysis
 7. Strengthening Pretrial Responses to IPV through Collaboration
 8. Success in Federal Pretrial Services
 9. Sustaining Judicial Oversight: Best Practices After Initial Appearance
- 4:10 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. - Concurrent Sessions
1. Assessment to Recommendations - Part 2
 2. Data Quality in a Single Client System
 3. Domestic Violence Risk Assessment: Lessons from ODARA, DVSI, and APRAIS
 4. From Impact to Influence: Telling the Story of Your Pretrial Success
 5. From Principles to Practice: Advancing Pretrial Justice With Limited Resources
 6. National Pretrial Release Standards: What Every Judge Should Know
 7. Supporting Justice-Involved Veterans: Veteran-Centered Approaches in Pretrial Services
 8. Tracking What Matters: Improving Court Activity Data Through Program Dashboards



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Wednesday, September 2, 2026

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8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. - Morning Coffee

8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. - Registration Open

8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. - Closing Plenary

10:00 a.m. – 10:50 a.m. - Concurrent Sessions

1. Enhancing the Performance of Pretrial Risk Assessments: Lessons Learned from Validations
2. Motivational Interviewing in Pretrial Service
3. PACTS360
4. Small/Rural Pretrial Data Dashboard: A Free Tool For You
5. Supervising Defendants
6. Courts and the Media: Building Relationships Between Judges and Journalists

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. - Concurrent Sessions

1. Leadership, Love, and Implementation Science in Pretrial
2. When Trauma Grows Up: Mental Health, Substance Use, Violence, and Justice System Contact in Emerging Adulthood

11:10 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. - Concurrent Sessions

1. Conditions That Count: Kentucky's Study to Improve Pretrial Supervision
2. Managing the Public Narrative in Pretrial Justice
3. Measuring What Matters
4. Pretrial Supervision: Is it needed?
5. Bridging the Gap: Leveraging Community Navigators and Community-Based Outreach to Reduce Pretrial Program Non-Compliance
6. Shared Challenges, Shared Solutions: Collaborative Pre Prison Education
7. The Pretrial Assessment's Role in Judicial Decision-Making

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1:30 p.m. – 2:20 p.m. – Concurrent Sessions

1. A Balancing Act: Enhancing Efforts to Promote Survivor Engagement in Pretrial Supervision
2. Alternatives to Prison Solutions Diversion Program in the Southern District of California (U.S. Courts)
3. California Pretrial Landscape
4. Enhancing Court Appearance and Public Safety Through Community-Based Engagement: A Supervised Release Model.
5. The Impact and Role of Background Investigation Reports in Pretrial Justice
6. The Well that Fills Itself - Self-Care Strategies
7. What's it Really Take? Lessons Learned from Design to Deployment of the Oregon Pretrial Assessment Tool
8. The Leadership Circle: A Judicial Capstone Roundtable

2:40 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. – Concurrent Sessions

1. Sentinel Event Review (SER): A Systems-Based Approach to Strengthening Pretrial Outcomes
2. Bonus Session: Release or Detention – Before and After Criminal Justice Reform in New Jersey – Part 1
3. Flipping the Script on Pretrial Decision Making: Transforming Pretrial Culture Through Leadership and Data
4. Mobile Competency Restoration and Support: From Planning and Implementation to Outcomes
5. Practical Pretrial Strategies for Adopting a Support-Oriented Pretrial Supervision Agency
6. Pretrial Partnerships in Action: Probation, Courts, and the Judicial Council of California
7. The Cost of Community Corrections Work: A Trauma-Informed Perspective
8. Universal Screening in Rural Jurisdictions



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3:50 p.m. – 4:40 p.m. - Concurrent Sessions

1. Creating Meaningful Client Contacts
2. Balancing Liberty and Safety: The Repeat Impaired Driver at Pretrial
3. Beyond Words: Unlocking the Power of Communication in the Workplace
4. Bonus Session: Release or Detention – Before and After Criminal Justice Reform in New Jersey – Part 2
5. Centering Participant Voice in Pretrial Services: From Feedback to Policy and Practice Change
6. From Courtroom to Care Plan: Universal Screening Approaches to Health and Justice Integration
7. From Data to Impact: Aligning Pre-Trial Practice and Research for Effective Evaluation
8. The Role of Communications in Balancing Pretrial Justice and Safety