



National Association of Pretrial Services Agencies

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

Agenda Subject to Change

Sunday, August 30, 2026

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. -	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. *Grounded in Law, Guided in Practice: Strengthening Daily Pretrial Work*
 3. *Leading From the Bench: Defining a Judge’s Role in Pretrial*
 4. *Understanding Domestic Violence Victim Survivor Behavior for Pretrial Practitioners*
 5. *Pretrial 101 - Part 1*
 6. *Supervising the Impossible: Pretrial Strategies for High-Risk and Transnational Defendants*
- 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. *Facilitating Behavior Change: Building Training Capacity, Growing the Skills*
 6. *Pretrial 101 - Part 2*
- 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. *Federal 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. *Understanding Domestic Violence Victim Survivor Behavior for Pretrial Practitioners*



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Tuesday, September 1, 2026

- 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. *The Power of Appreciative Mindset for Pretrial Systems: What are you fighting for? What are you fighting against?*
- 11:10 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. - Concurrent Sessions
1. *A Different Lense: Domestic Violence Case Consideration & Supervision*
 2. *Addiction 101 for Justice Professionals: Strengthening Diversion and Community Safety Through Overdose Response Partnerships*
 3. *Leading from the Middle: Strategies for Developing Staff and Future Leaders*
 4. *Pretrial Assessment - Part 2*
 5. *Pretrial Release and Public Safety*
 6. *Supervision for Success*
- 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. - Lunch – on your own



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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. *Staffing & Workload Sufficiency: An outline to Pretrial Workload Analysis*
6. *Strengthening Pretrial Responses to IPV through Collaboration*
7. *Success in Federal Pretrial Services*
8. *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 Knows*
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

- 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. *Judicial Leadership and Supportive Services: Addressing Substance Use and Behavioral Health through Pretrial Release*
 3. *Motivational Interviewing in Pretrial Service*
 4. *PACTS360*
 5. *Small/Rural Pretrial Data Dashboard: A Free Tool For You*
 6. *Supervising Defendants*
- 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*
- 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. - Lunch Break – on your own



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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 New Pretrial Essential Elements and How to Implement Them*
7. *The Pretrial Assessment's Role in Judicial Decision-Making*
8. *What's it Really Take? Lessons Learned from Design to Deployment of the Oregon Pretrial Assessment Tool*

2:40 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. –

Concurrent Sessions

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

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. *Bonus Session: Release or Detention – Before and After Criminal Justice Reform in New Jersey*
4. *Centering Participant Voice in Pretrial Services: From Feedback to Policy and Practice Change*
5. *From Courtroom to Care Plan: Universal Screening Approaches to Health and Justice Integration*
6. *From Data to Impact: Aligning Pre-Trial Practice and Research for Effective Evaluation*
7. *Investigative Objectivity*
8. *The Role of Communications in Balancing Pretrial Justice and Safety*