

Tentative 2020 Conference Schedule (As of 7/24/20)

Please note that this schedule is subject to change

All times are EST

2020 Conference Schedule			
Thursday, August 6, 2020			
11:00 AM	12:00 PM	Opening Ceremony & Keynote Presentation	
12:00 PM	12:45 PM	Exposition Hall & Networking	
12:45 PM	1:45 PM	Linking SFST Impairment to Individual Driving Tasks <i>Travis Herbert</i>	Do You Have Skin in the Game? <i>James Camp</i>
		What You Need to Know About Today's Drug Mule <i>Mike Snyders & Tim Cardwell</i>	
1:45 PM	2:00 PM	Break	
2:00 PM	3:00 PM	To Draw or Not to Draw: Why Your DRE Program Should Include LE Phlebotomists <i>Jennifer Cifaldi, Nicholas Knoll, & Kemp Layden</i>	Traditional and Designer Benzodiazepines in Impaired Driving Casework <i>Dr. Barry Logan & Ayako Hosokawa</i>
		Building Your DRE Program Through Education and Awareness <i>Frank Enko</i>	
3:00 PM	3:15 PM	Break	
3:15 PM	4:45 PM	Overcoming Defense Challenges <i>Clay Abbott, Beth Barnes, & Jeff Sifers</i>	
4:45 PM	5:30 PM	Networking Discussions on Contemporary Issues	
Friday, August 7, 2020			
11:00 AM	12:00 PM	NHTSA Update <i>Amy Berning, Bill O'Leary, & Christine Frank</i>	Public-Private Ventures, Curbing Alcohol and Drug Impaired Driving <i>Ed Hutchison, John Whetsel, & Glenn Davis</i>
		Traffic Safety as a Critical Part of an Agency's Patrol Strategy <i>Howard Hall & Cara Jacobs</i>	
12:00 PM	1:00 PM	Exposition Hall & Networking	
1:00 PM	2:15 PM	Beyond Eye Movements: How Intoxication Affects Visual Perception <i>Dr. Karl Citek</i>	
2:15 PM	2:30 PM	Break	
2:30 PM	3:30 PM	Responsibility.org: A Proactive Partner in Eliminating Impaired Driving/Safe Night Out <i>Darrin Grandel & John Mastoras</i>	Take a Breath and Reconstruct <i>Chuck Matson</i>
		Winning the Case with Testimony <i>Christine Circo</i>	
3:30 PM	3:45 PM	Break	
3:45 PM	4:45 PM	Courtroom Testimony from a Judge's Perspective <i>Hon. Brent Carr</i>	Dusted in Houston: Spike in PCP-Driving Cases <i>Donald Egdorf</i>
		Noteworthy Supreme Court Cases <i>Kendrick Stecker</i>	
4:45 PM	5:30 PM	Networking Discussions on Contemporary Issues	
Saturday, August 8, 2020			
11:00 AM	12:00 PM	Fatal Combination: Alcohol and Cannabis Impairment <i>Bill Hume & Dave Spenser</i>	Drugs You May Not Have Heard About & Just May Be the Cause of Your False Negative <i>Chip Walls</i>
		Applying Your Role as a Leader to Traffic Safety <i>Brett Railey</i>	
12:00 PM	12:15 PM	Break	
12:15 PM	12:45 PM	DRE Section Recognitions	
12:45 PM	1:45 PM	Using the BWC to Your Advantage During the Drug Influence Evaluation <i>Allan Kolak</i>	DRE Testimony: Opportunities and Pitfalls in Frye & Daubert Hearings <i>Tom Page</i>
		Traffic Safety: People Are Dying to Know About It: Keep Them Waiting <i>Tim Burrows</i>	
1:45 PM	2:00 PM	Break	
2:00 PM	3:00 PM	People V Kildane: Drug Impaired or Mental Health <i>Jason Olson & Sarika Kim</i>	Physiology: Back to the Basics and a Little Bit More <i>Robert Rausch</i>
		Clearing the Crash: Strategies to Improve Responder Safety and the Quality of Life in the Community <i>Howard Hall, Matt Myers, & Cari Jankowski</i>	
3:00 PM	3:15 PM	Break	
3:15 PM	4:45 PM	Can I Make a Difference? Understanding Your Power to Maximize Results <i>Col. Kedrick Wills</i>	



Conference Educational Programming

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Applying Your Role as A Leader to Traffic Safety

With the expanding role of the law enforcement agency over the years, police executives are constantly being forced to make choices between competing priorities for their agency resources. As participation in traffic enforcement has waned, roadway safety has suffered resulting in the loss of innocent lives. This session is designed to familiarize executives with best practices in traffic safety and emphasize the lifesaving value of leadership in recommitting the agency to participation in traffic safety initiatives.

Presenter(s): Brett Railey

Beyond Eye Movements: How Intoxication Affects Visual Perception

Changes in physiologic function -- specifically, eye movements -- caused by intoxication are well established via the HGN, VGN, LOC, and Pupil tests. Yet when these abnormal responses occur, they also will cause changes in how the individual sees -- or fails to see -- what is going on in the world around them. This presentation will explore how intoxication affects visual perception, and how this in and of itself demonstrates impairment.

Presenter(s): Dr. Karl Citek

Building Your Coalition: How to Assemble and Prepare Your DRE Team to Satisfy Daubert

This presentation will show participants how to succeed in having their DRE be allowed to testify as an expert witness. We will be addressing both the Daubert and Frye standards, as states are split on which Supreme Court case they follow. We will discuss how to build your expert witness team, which elements can be satisfied through each team member, and what resources are available to have your DRE declared an expert and create a record of supportive case law.

Presenter(s): Holly Reese, Corey Kenney

Building Your DRE Program Through Education and Awareness

In 2017, Baltimore County DREs conducted 47 drug evaluations. This was a historical low, as evaluations usually hovered around 100. This is also a low number for an agency with 1900 officers. This downtrend occurred even though Maryland had decriminalized possession of cannabis, approved medical cannabis, and the opioid crisis was ongoing. This presentation will describe the strategies used to turn DUID arrests around. We will discuss the various educational methods used to train field officers in improved sobriety testing along with partnerships formed with other units. The 'top-down' and 'bottom-up' approach to solving this problem will also be described. Through these proven strategies, evaluations surged to over 200 in 2018.



Presenter(s): Frank Enko

Can I Make a Difference? Understanding Your Power to Maximize Results

This presentation is designed to be motivational in nature to assist attendees in understanding how perceptions shape our view of our surroundings. Many people assume they will make a difference in the world when they reach a certain status, whether that is financial, positional, relationship, age, or some other method we each use to determine success. Throughout the presentation, tools will be provided to assist others in understanding the difference between authority and power and the powers that each of us have to make a difference in whatever position we are in. Personal examples as well as literature research, and other delivery methods reinforce the determination to make a difference in saving and changing lives.

Presenter(s): Col Kedrick Wills

Courtroom Testimony From A Judge's Perspective

This session will provide an in-depth examination of the law, rules of evidence and other issues surrounding courtroom testimony. This will include scrutiny of witnesses by juries, areas of potential bias, and jury expectations of law enforcement witness's, their training and expertise. Since 1991 Judge Carr has presided over 1,000+ trials, served as a professor of criminal justice for 20+ years and is a frequent lecturer on criminal justice topics. He will share his views of witness characteristics that affect jurors, especially in DUI, DWI, and related traffic offense enforcement. This session will help the officer understand why you should process every case with the expectation that it will end up before a jury, even though many will not. While there is no substitute for integrity, preparation and professionalism, understanding the dynamics of the courtroom process is a tool every officer needs in their toolbox.

Presenter(s): Hon. Brent Carr

COVID-19: Law Enforcement Update

An update on COVID-19 specifically for law enforcement officers, including an update on prevalence, what is known about the disease, and current recommendations for prevention and return to work strategies.

Presenter(s): Dr. Gary Tamkin

Do You Have Skin in the Game?

Do You Have Skin In The Game? No matter our role in law-enforcement, prosecution, administration, or traffic safety once we believe in the mission of saving, changing and protecting lives, our job becomes a calling and that calling becomes our passion. To accomplish this, we must first open our hearts and minds to discover if we really have 'skin in the game'.



This powerful and highly acclaimed presentation will facilitate an examination of our level of commitment to this mission as well as motivational tools to strengthen that commitment.

Presenter(s): Jim Camp

Drug Recognition Expert Testimony: Opportunities and Pitfalls in Frye & Daubert type hearings

For nearly 30 years, the expertise of Drug Recognition Experts has been challenged in courts throughout the United States and Canada. Defense attorneys have argued that DRE is pseudo-science, and that DREs aren't qualified to give opinions on drug-impairment. In order to determine whether DRE evidence can be admitted, courts may hold 'Frye,' 'Daubert,' or similar hearings during which prosecutors, through witnesses, seek to convince the court of the validity and reliability of the DECP procedures. The acceptance of the DECP process by relevant scientific communities is a usual issue. A DRE may be called upon to explain to the court the continued development of the DECP program, its foundational principles, and the role of toxicology. This presentation is designed to help DREs and prosecutors in preparation of these hearings to maximize on opportunities and avoid pitfalls, to help establish acceptance of the DEC Program and DRE testimony.

Presenter(s): Thomas Page

Drugs You May Have Heard About and Just May Be the Cause of Your False Negative

There are many drugs that may be the source of the impairment that do not always show up in toxicology testing. Drugs such as the three K's (Kratom, Khat and Kava) as well as drugs like Esketamine, Loperamide, Tramadol, Tapentadol, new sleeping pills, designer benzodiazepines and Phenibut cause impairment but may not always be able to be detected. This session will discuss these drugs, how they fit into the DRE matrix and how a negative toxicology does not always depict the cause of impairment.

Presenter(s): H. Chip Walls

Dusted in Houston: Spike in PCP-Driving Incidents

Houston is the nation's largest metro area to have a significant problem with PCP, or Phencyclidine. Reports show about 1 in 6 blood samples taken during DWI arrests between 2013 and 2018 were positive for the drug.

Presenter(s): Don Egendorf

Fatal combination: Alcohol & cannabis impairment analysis

With the legalization of cannabis becoming more prevalent, our roadways are becoming more dangerous. In this presentation, we will examine the rising trend of impairment from alcohol and cannabis. Instructors will analyze this growing trend through tangible field investigations.



This presentation will also provide participants with tools and best practices during an investigation. Using these investigative tools, participants will better understand the translation of impairment from alcohol and cannabis and be able to apply this to a field investigation or collision.

Presenter(s): William Hume, Dave Spenser

Linking SFST Impairment to Individual Driving Tasks

Understanding the development of the Standardized Field Sobriety Tests (SFSTs) and how they relate to specific driving tasks are valuable tools when it comes to articulating impairment in court. This course will examine the development of the SFST battery and how they relate to specific driving tasks. We will also delve into the complex task of driving a motor vehicle, using the hierarchal task-analysis model and link specific driving tasks to specific tasks performed while evaluating the SFSTs.

Presenter(s): Travis Herbert

Maximizing Your Data to Deploy Resources to Reduce Crashes and Fatalities

The DDACTS model integrates location-based crashes, crime, calls for service and enforcement data to establish effective methods for deploying critical resources. It uses non-biased and evidence-based strategies to successfully reduce social harm while mitigating community tension. This workshop will focus on how executives and traffic safety officers can use an effective crash model to make efficient data-driven decisions, with resource deployment and allocation that community members will respect and understand.

Presenter(s): Dan Howard, David Bowen

New DRE Orientation

The process to become a drug recognition expert (DRE) can be a long and sometimes exhaustive progression. But once DRE status is attained, they become an extremely valuable asset to their agency and community. DREs are the “experts” when it comes to detecting drug impairing. They also become a valuable resource in other areas of public safety and drug prevention. In this workshop, new DREs will better understand their roles, their value to their department and community, and learn how they can take their expertise to a higher level, becoming role models for other officers. They will also learn the importance of professionally representing their department, their state and the Drug Evaluation and Classification Program, and how their involvement can help shape the overall success of the DEC Program.

Presenter(s): Dick Studdard, Matt Myers, Chuck Hayes



NHTSA Update

Representatives from NHTSA's Enforcement and Justice Services Division and Office of Behavioral Safety and Research will provide information on the latest information as it pertains to impaired driving enforcement and research projects pertaining to these issues.

Presenter(s): Dereece Smither, Bill O'Leary, Christine Frank

Noteworthy Supreme Court Cases for DRE Officers and Prosecutors Handling Impaired Driving Cases

In response to the increased need for prosecutors and law enforcement awareness of legal updates pertaining to investigatory techniques and defendants' rights that can be at issue in impaired driving cases, this presentation will cover the unique constitutional legal issues raised in impaired driving and other traffic safety cases. The presentation will include, but not be limited to, search and seizure issues, right to counsel issues, as well as chain of custody and courtroom testimony issues.

Presenter(s): Kendrick Stecker

Overcoming Defense Challenges

A panel discussion on a contemporary trial/defense issue and discussion on how to resolve any challenges. A discussion for prosecutors in general which will include current trial issues regarding DRE testimony.

Presenter(s): Clay Abbott, Beth Barnes, and Jeff Sifers

Overview of MADD's National Law Enforcement Impaired Driving Summit

In November of 2018, MADD hosted the National Law Enforcement Impaired Driving Summit, funded under a NHTSA Cooperative Agreement. The Summit was attended by law enforcement leaders from across the country along with key MADD and NHTSA staff. This session will highlight key topics that were identified, including barriers to enforcement of impaired driving laws along with strategies to reduce and eliminate those barriers as well as the progress made and future plans since the summit.

Presenter(s): Ron Replogle, Don Egdorf, John Whetsel

People V Kidane, Drug Impaired or Mental Health

This presentation is a Case study of a vehicular homicide case that recently concluded with the successful prosecution of the involved Defendant. Through the proper handling of the case, evidence collection, testimony, and prosecution, the state was able to meet the burden of proof and thwart a mental health defense. From the onset, the case was riddled with chaos, fake news, and obstacles that challenged the investigation, suspect evaluation, and later the prosecution. This is an overview of the case, along with lessons learned and insights for future



investigations. The presenters include the DRE and Deputy District Attorney from the DUI Training and Prosecution Section of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office.

Presenter(s): Jason Olson, Sarika Kim

Physiology – Back to the Basics... and a Little Bit More

Human physiology is the crux upon which the DRE program is built. The DRE program itself seeks to appropriately simplify the concept of human physiology so that lay observers can make accurate determinations of subject impairment, as well as the likely cause of the impairment. Central to this determination is understanding not just observations, but what the observations mean to the evaluator, and what observations the evaluator would expect to be present for a given class or classes of drugs. This presentation will briefly expose the learner to a review of the concepts presented in typical DRE classroom settings, but will then continue on to demonstrate how these physiologic observations, and the neurotransmitters which play an important role in homeostasis, are affected by drugs and combinations of drugs. The course will be tailored to cover the reasonable amount of material possible within the time allowed and will allow for interactive learning and questions from the audience.

Presenter(s): Robert Rausch

Public Private Ventures Curbing Alcohol and Drug Impaired Driving

An overview of new research supporting reducing alcohol and drug impaired driving using public private partnerships such as ridesharing, followed by benefits to law enforcement as new tools become force multipliers to enforcement, and ending with an overview of the Colorado's 320 Program and how to replicate it. In response to the legalization of recreational marijuana in Colorado, CDOT launched Drive High, Get a DUI-a public outreach and education campaign about the dangers and laws surrounding driving while under the influence of cannabis. CDOT hopes this campaign will communicate three main ideas to cannabis consumers and the general public: driving high is illegal, driving high is dangerous, and plan ahead to find a sober ride.

Presenter(s): Ed Hutchison, John Whetsel, Glenn Davis

Take a Breath and Reconstruct: Establishing Impairment with a Focus on Inhalants

Fasten your seatbelts for this dynamic and enlightening session where we analyze how DRE's can assemble a DWI case which is lacking the classical evidence normally associated with such a charge. Our journey will explore situations that may have minimal witnessed driving behavior and a scarcity of documented signs and symptoms. Specific focus will center on the unique challenges of Inhalants. This program, created by a DRE for DRE's, will expand the attendee's knowledge of the effects and side effects of breathable deliriant substances, and how to collect usable direct and circumstantial evidence to meet the Reasonable Degree of Certainty Standard in the Halls of Justice.



Presenter(s): Chuck Matson

Taming Dragons Project- Understanding the addict and the addiction in their own words

This interactive presentation from a DRE Instructor, takes a look at addiction from the user's perspective. It includes video interviews of former addicts who tell their stories of how they were introduced to drug use, how they used, how it affected their life and the tricks they used to hide their addiction from family and law enforcement. This presentation will help DRE's to better their observation and interview skills and to get a better understanding of the world of addiction.

Presenter(s): Michael Covarrubias

To Draw or Not to Draw: Why your DRE Program should include Law Enforcement Phlebotomists

Law Enforcement Phlebotomy is an incredible tool for the prosecution of drug and alcohol impaired drivers and might be as significant as the SFST's and DRE's. Hear how the Coeur d'Alene Police Department was able to address liability and public perception concerns and start a Law Enforcement Phlebotomy program in 2017. In Coeur d'Alene Law Enforcement Phlebotomy has been responsible for: more DUI convictions, reduction in court time, eliminating chain of custody challenges, a better relationship with our local hospital and supported by both the criminal justice system and our public. Most importantly it helped Coeur d'Alene see an over 50% reduction of crashes involving alcohol in 2019.

Presenter(s): Nick Knoll, Kemp Layden, Jennifer Cifaldi

Traditional and Designer Benzodiazepines in Impaired Driving Investigation Casework

This presentation will review the pharmacology and effects of the benzodiazepine drug class including traditional and designer benzodiazepines. Content include expected driving behaviors, DRE indicators and toxicology results, as well as trends, impairment findings and case reports. It will highlight the importance of testing for these drugs even when BAC is above 0.08. The presentation will also address the importance of appropriate laboratory testing to detect traditional and designer benzodiazepines in DUID casework. Using the National Safety Council (NSC)'s recommendations for DUID benzodiazepine testing, we will review how aligning with these guidelines to confirm low dose benzodiazepine use in DUID/DRE cases, improves positivity and DRE confirmations.

Presenter(s): Barry Logan, Aya Hosokawa

Traffic Safety as a Critical Part of an Agency's Patrol Strategy

In most jurisdictions, the probability of being injured/killed in a traffic crash is higher than being the victim of a violent crime. Data suggests that the overwhelming majority of crashes result



from human factors, making them preventable. For this reason, law enforcement (particularly at the local level) has a significant opportunity and obligation to make traffic safety an operational priority. In this session, the presenters will discuss the benefits of high visibility traffic enforcement, how to use it as a tool to improve driver behavior, and how it can be operationalized at the patrol level of a law enforcement agency. The concepts presented will be applicable to line level personnel, supervisors, and agency executives.

Presenter(s): Howard Hall, Cara Jacobs

Traffic Safety: People Are Dying To Know About It; Keep Them Waiting.

Today the world is connected to information on a 24/7 basis. Social media, digital news, electronic community boards and kittens chasing pen lights are captivating attention like never before in history. While slow to adapt, government, law enforcement and public safety professionals are getting into the digital information space and fighting for some of the captivated audience attention.

Fighting through all the noise is essential to getting your facts heard to improve community safety, defeat rumors and be the voice of authority that is heard and trusted. Marketing trends, tools and tips, with time saving ideas will help you be that trusted voice with a focus on influencing behavior change through education.

Presenter(s): Tim Burrows

Using the BWC to Your Advantage During the Drug Influence Evaluation

We will discuss the benefits of wearing a Body Worn Camera (BWC) during a Drug Influence Evaluation and explain how to use it as an advantage for evidence gathering and court purposes.

Presenter(s): Allan Kolak

Winning the Case with Testimony

This presentation will educate the attendee on effective foundational testimony that goes beyond a dry recitation of qualifications, a dynamic method for laying out the facts of the case, a customizable outline for establishing the elements of a drug and/or alcohol impaired driving offense. This includes vehicular homicide, serious injury cases through the basic road stop and arrest. The methods taught will help the fact finder to get a clear picture of the case and compelling reasons for them to support the DRE's opinion of impairment. This presentation will also address cross-examination tactics and common challenges to DRE testimony.

Presenter(s): Christine Circo