



4th ANNUAL EL PASO COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH LAW CONFERENCE

CO-SPONSORED BY UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT EL PASO LAW SCHOOL PREPARATION INSTITUTE, TEXAS CRIMINAL DEFENSE LAWYERS ASSOCIATION, EL PASO COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER, EL PASO COUNTY ATTORNEY, AND 34TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

Time	Topic	Presenter
7:15-7:45 am	Registration	
7:45	Opening Remarks	Jo Ann Bernal, Jaime Esparza, and/or Clara Hernandez
8:00-9:00	Severe Mental Illnesses and their treatment	Dr. Cynthia Rivera, University Behavioral Health
9:00-10:00	Dual Diagnosis and its Effect on the Criminal Justice System	Dr. Marcelo Rodriguez-Chevres, Medical Director, Peak Behavioral Health Services
10:00-10:15	Break	
10:15-11:15	Can experience from NorthSTAR help inform Texas Public Mental Health?	John T. Theiss, PhD.
11:15-12:15	The Untapped Power of Texas' Assisted Outpatient Treatment Law	Brian Stettin, J.D., Treatment Advocacy Center
12:15-12:30	Get box lunch & return to Auditorium for keynote speaker address	
12:30-1:30	Lunch presentation on: The crash between the criminal justice system & the mental health system	Pete Earley, former Washington Post Journalist and author of Crazy
1:30-2:30	Warehousing those with Mental Illness in Texas prisons and jails	Marc Levin, J.D., Texas Public Policy Foundation
2:30-2:45	Break	
2:45-3:45	Mental Health Politics and Legislation	Keith Hampton, J.D.
3:45-4:45	Ethical Considerations involving Mental Illness	Mark Spinn, ADA; Cristina Viesca-Santos, ACA; Eric Willard, DPD
4:45-5:00 pm	Closing Remarks and Evaluation Completion	Jo Ann Bernal, Jamie Esparza, and/or Clara Hernandez