



**Achieving More Effective Outcomes with Women in Jails:  
A Summit to Identify Strategies to Build and Expand  
Gender Responsive Approaches that Work**

**hosted by the National Resource Center on Justice Involved Women<sup>1</sup>  
and the American Jail Association  
Washington, DC  
October 16-17, 2014**

**AGENDA**

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2014**

**8:00–8:30 a.m.           Arrival and Check-in**

**8:30–9:15 a.m.           Welcome and Introduction  
Overview of the Summit Goals and Agenda**

*Denise O'Donnell, Director of the Bureau of Justice Assistance, U.S. Department  
of Justice, Office of Justice Programs*

*Jamie Clayton, President, American Jail Association*

*Becki Ney, Principal, Center for Effective Public Policy and NRCJIW Project  
Director*

**9:15–10:00 a.m.           Plenary: Setting the Stage: What Do We Know About Women in Jails?**

This session will set the stage for discussions throughout the Summit. Research and statistics regarding justice involved women, how they differ from men, their unique pathways to criminal behavior, the gaps in knowledge and practice, and the impact of their criminal behavior on the community will be presented, along with the AJA survey results that identify the most pressing issues in managing women from a jail practitioner perspective.

*Maureen Buell, Correctional Program Specialist, National Institute of Corrections  
Stevyn Fogg, Senior Manager, Center for Effective Public Policy*

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**10:00–10:15 a.m.**

**BREAK**

**10:15–11:00 a.m.**

**Plenary: The Nexus of Jail Culture, Operational Practices and Trauma-Informed Care**

This session will focus on some of the critical operational issues of concern regarding managing women in jails. Some of the issues that will be discussed include: the importance of a positive facility culture, the use of restraints, Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) implementation, discipline and sanctions, and overcrowding.

*Andie Moss, President, The Moss Group*

*Dr. Joan Gillece, Director of SAMHSA's National Center for Trauma Informed Care*

*Responder: Regina Gilmore*

**11:00–11:30 a.m.**

**Discussion Session #1: Culture, Operational Practice and Trauma-Informed Care**

Ms. Ney will lead the group in a discussion to identify potential action steps that jail practitioners can take to address gaps and challenges in the management of women inmates.

**11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.**

**LUNCH** (*on your own*)

**1:00–1:45 p.m.**

**Plenary: The Unmet Promise of Pretrial Assessment, Release and Referral**

This session will focus on the needs and circumstances of women defendants upon arrest and detention in jails, pretrial assessment, connecting women to community resources, considerations for women who remain in jail due to inability to pay low bond amounts, and impacts on children.

*Dr. Patricia Van Voorhis, Professor Emerita, University of Cincinnati*

*Responder: Jane Klekamp*

**1:45–2:15 p.m.**

**Discussion Session #2: Identifying Key Strategies to Address Pretrial Issues**

Ms. Ney will lead the group in a discussion to identify potential action steps that jail practitioners can take to address gaps and challenges in pretrial.



**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2014**

**8:30–8:45 a.m. Overview of the Day**

Ms. Ney will provide an overview of the day and highlight any residual issues from Day 1 that should also be addressed.

**8:45–9:30 a.m. Plenary: Reentry Considerations for Women Leaving Jails**

*Jesse Jannetta, Senior Research Associate, The Urban Institute  
Responder: Georgia Lerner, Executive Director, New York Women’s Prison Association*

**9:30–10:00 a.m. Discussion Session #5: Reentry Considerations**

Ms. Ney will lead the group in a discussion to identify potential action steps that jail practitioners can take to address gaps and challenges in transition and reentry from jails.

**10:00–10:15 a.m. BREAK**

**10:15-11:00 a.m. Discussion: Topic Review and Recommendations**

This session is intended to provide an overview and summary of the action steps and issues identified during the Summit, and serves as a “placeholder” to address any additional important topics that may not have been addressed to this point.

**11:00–11:40 a.m. Discussion: Developing the Action Agenda and Dissemination Strategies**

Ms. Ney will lead the group in a discussion of the written brief: content, format, specific recommendations, audience, etc. as well as key strategies for disseminating the brief when completed.

**11:40 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Closing Remarks and Evaluation**

Ms. Ney and Ms. Clayton will provide closing remarks. Summit participants will be asked to complete a brief meeting evaluation before departing.

**12:00 p.m. ADJOURN**

**SAFE TRAVELS HOME!**