



TEXAS CRIMINAL DEFENSE LAWYERS ASSOCIATION

4TH ANNUAL FLOYD JENNINGS MENTAL HEALTH SYMPOSIUM

SEMINAR INFORMATION

Date August 20-21, 2026
Location Omni Corpus Christi | 900 N. Shoreline Blvd., Corpus Christi, TX 78401
Course Directors Barbara Drumheller, Lori Gooch, & Danice Obregon
Total CLE Hours 12.75 Ethics: 1.00

Thursday, August 20, 2026

Daily CLE Hours: 6.50 Ethics: 1.00

Time	CLE	Topic	Speaker
8:00 am		<i>Registration</i>	
8:45 am		<i>Opening Remarks</i>	Course Directors
9:00 am	1.00	Guardianship: What to Know & How it Works	Krista Chacona & Hon. Tim McCoy
10:00 am	1.00 <i>Ethics</i>	Immigration Consequences of Mental Health Findings in the Criminal Justice System	Liz Hoefler
11:00 am		<i>Break</i>	
11:15 am	0.75	TBD	TBD
12:00 pm		<i>Lunch Line</i>	
12:15 pm	0.75	<i>Lunch Presentation:</i> Attorney Wellness & Self-Care	Jessica Chevrier
1:00 pm	1.00	How to Read & Interpret Mental Health Reports	TBD (Schraegle)
2:00 pm	1.00	Using & Examining Mental Health Experts	Damon Parrish
3:00 pm		<i>Break</i>	
3:15 pm	1.00	Texas Jail Project: (Title TBD)	Krish Gundu
4:15 pm		<i>Adjourn</i>	
5:15 pm		<i>Optional Tour:</i> Nueces County Diversion Center	



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Time	CLE	Topic	Speaker
8:30 am		<i>Registration</i>	
8:55 am		<i>Opening Remarks</i>	Course Directors
9:00 am	1.00	Mental Health Legislative Update	Prof. Brian Shannon
10:00 am	1.00	Civil Commitments in Criminal Courts: 102s & 103s	Barbara Drumheller
11:00 am		<i>Break</i>	
11:15 am	1.00	Whole Person Representation Without a Holistic Budget	Gilan Merwanji
12:15 pm		<i>Lunch Line</i>	
12:30 pm	0.75	<i>Lunch Presentation:</i> Mental Health Advocacy	Sonja Burns
1:15 pm	1.00	NGRI Trials & Agreed NGRI Dispositions	Lisa Greenberg
2:15 pm		<i>Break</i>	
2:30 pm	1.00	NGRI After Acquittal: Recommitments, Issues & Advocacy	Luis Garcia
3:30 pm	0.50	Panel on Re-entry: Transitions from Jail or Hospital to the Community	Nueces LMHA TBD Harris Center, TBD Rural LMHA, TBD
4:00 pm		<i>Adjourn</i>	