

# **A Rising Tide**

# Understanding Incarceration's Multigenerational Impact on Women, Girls, and Communities

Thursday, April 4, 2019 | 8:00 am – 2:30 pm DoubleTree by Hilton, Center City Philadelphia, PA

8:00 - 9:00 am

Registration and Breakfast

9:00 - 9:10 am

### **Welcoming Remarks**

- Ronnie Bloom, *Executive Director*, Stoneleigh Foundation
- Marianne Fray, Chief Executive Officer, Maternity Care Coalition

9:10 - 10:10 am

# **Opening Keynote Conversation**

Criminalization of Gender & Gendered Prosecution and Sentencing

This session will explore the roots and consequences of girls and women being disproportionately criminalized, the importance of gender-responsive programming, and how a new progressive approach to prosecution can help stem the rising tide of women and girls becoming justice-involved.

- Larry Krasner, District Attorney, City of Philadelphia
- **Jeannette Pai-Espinosa**, *President*, National Crittenton
- Moderated by: Marsha Levick, Chief Legal Officer & Co-Founder, Juvenile Law Center

10:10 - 10:25 am

**Break** 

10:25 - 11:10 am

#### **Breakout Session Period A**

<u>OPTION 1:</u> Mothers Behind Bars: Pregnancy and Parenting While Incarcerated

This session will examine the current policies, practices, and research about pregnancy and parenting in prison and the impact of parental incarceration on young people's future wellness and justice involvement.

- **Bridget Biddle**, *MOMobile Riverside Advocate*, Maternity Care Coalition
- Blanche Carney, Commissioner of Prisons, Philadelphia Department of Prisons
- Margaret Zhang, Staff Attorney, Women's Law Project
- Moderated by: Kathleen Creamer, Managing Attorney, Family Advocacy Unit, Community Legal Services



**OPTION 2:** Incarceration and Health Access

This session will explore policies and practices to increase the use of preventive primary care services to improve the overall health of justice-involved women and girls.

- Bruce Herdman, Chief of Medical Operations, Philadelphia Department of Prisons
- Tamra Williams, Deputy Chief Clinical Officer, Community Behavioral Health
- Charmaine Smith Wright, Internal Medicine & Pediatrics, Christiana Care Health System
- Moderated by: Holly Harner, Associate Professor of Public Health, LaSalle University

11:10 - 11:25 am

**Break** 

#### 11:25 am - 12:10 pm

#### **Breakout Session Period B**

OPTION 1: Serving Time on the Outside: Women, Girls, and Reentry

This session will examine the challenges that women and girls face when they reenter their communities after a period of incarceration and explore approaches to addressing their needs in a more holistic fashion.

- Faith Bartley, Advocate, People's Paper Co-op
- Claire Shubik-Richards, Executive Director, Pennsylvania Prison Society
- **Julie Wertheimer**, Senior Director of Criminal Justice Reform Strategies & Programs, City of Philadelphia
- Moderated by: Marjie Mogul, Senior Director of Research, Maternity Care Coalition

OPTION 2: Punitive Treatment of Pregnant Women Experiencing Substance Use **Disorders** 

This session will look at the history of criminalization of pregnant women with substance use disorders, as well as new, evidence-supported approaches to address this problem, especially in the context of the opioid epidemic.

- Colette Green, Director of Behavioral Health, Maternity Care Coalition
- **Cathleen Palm**, Founder, The Center for Children's Justice
- Carol Tracy, Executive Director, Women's Law Project
- Moderated by: Nan Feyler, Stoneleigh Fellow, City of Philadelphia

12:10 - 1:20 pm

#### Lunch

Lunchtime Plenary: Trauma and Justice Involvement Among Women and Girls

This session will explore how trauma can lead to, or exacerbate, justice involvement for women and girls, and how trauma-informed approaches can respond to this crisis.

- **Stephanie Covington**, *Co-Director*, Institute for Relational Development and the Center for Gender and Justice
- Moderated by: Sandra Bloom, Associate Professor Health Management & Policy, Center for Nonviolence and Social Justice, Drexel University

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1:20 - 2:20 pm

### **Closing Plenary**

Intersectionality and the Justice System

This session will explore how the interplay of race, gender, sexual orientation, and class influences how and when women and girls come into contact with the justice system and how these intersections impact key decision points, including arrest, diversion, prosecution, intervention, and treatment.

- Angela Irvine, Principal, Ceres Policy Research
- Amber Hikes, Executive Director, Office of LGBT Affairs, City of Philadelphia
- **Kee Tobar,** *Stoneleigh Emerging Leader Fellow,* Community Legal Services
- Moderated by: **Marie Williams,** *Senior Program Officer,* Stoneleigh Foundation

2:20 - 2:30 pm

# **Concluding Remarks**

- Ronnie Bloom, Executive Director, Stoneleigh Foundation
- Marianne Fray, Chief Executive Officer, Maternity Care Coalition

**Continuing Legal Education:** This event has been approved by the Pennsylvania Continuing Legal Education Board for 3.5 hours of substantive law, practice and procedure CLE credit.





Maternity Care Coalition works to improve the health and well-being of pregnant women and parenting families, and enhance school readiness for children 0-3.

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