

October 5 & 7, 2021

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

ASAP STATEWIDE PREVENTION CONFERENCE

"The Legalization of Marijuana: Preventing Unintended Consequences"



WELCOME



Dear ASAP Prevention Conference participants,

The ASAP Board welcomes you to the 2021 ASAP Statewide Virtual Prevention Conference "The Legalization of Marijuana: Preventing Unintended Consequences". We are ever so excited to bring forth some of the brightest, talented experts from across this great nation to strengthen the continuum of the NYS provider system.

We are grateful to all who have joined together to support the NYS ASAP Prevention committee to provide such a cutting edge, timely and necessary conference rich in content. Special acknowledgement to PAXIS Institute, ASAP staff, Jennifer Faringer, Ellen Morehouse, and Judi Vining for working together, dedicating their time to create this virtual event.

As we come together and recover as a state, we will have new challenges, new skills to learn, information to obtain and as always sharpen the iron in which we will forge forward. As co-chairs, we simply can not think of a better prevention workforce to do so with. So sit back, relax and take in all this conference has to offer.

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Bill Bowman & Kym Laube Conference Co-Chairs

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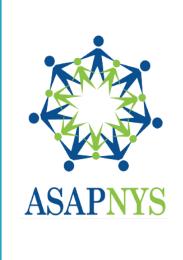
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ABOUT ASAP

New York Association of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Providers, (ASAP) represents the interests of the largest substance use disorders and problem gambling services system in the United States. Through advocacy at the state and federal levels, ASAP champions the urgent message that substance use and problem gambling are public health issues that with adequate resources can be effectively addressed.

ASAP offers professional development, program development, technical assistance, and community education to strengthen and increase access to prevention, treatment and recovery support services.

ASAP serves as a catalyst for cross systems collaboration with public health, mental health, criminal justice, juvenile justice, child welfare, and social services, policy makers and service providers. We represent the field on numerous policy development and implementation work groups with a regional, statewide and national focus.

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AGENDA AT-A-GLANCE October 5, 2021

8:30 am—8:40 am	OPENING REMARKS
8:40 am—9:55 am	History of IASIC Medical Library of Resources and Review of the Impact of Marijuana Across Multiple Medical Specialties
	Catherine Antley, M.D., Laboratory Director of Vermont Dermatopathology; Eric A. Voth, M.D., FACP, Internal Medicine, Pain, Addiction Medicine, President and Chairman of the Board, The International Academy on the Science and Impact of Cannabis. IASIC, Kenneth Finn, MD, editor of Cannabis in Medicine: An Evidence-Based Approach (2020) and currently the Co-Vice President (2021) of the International Academy on the Science and Impacts of Cannabis; and Roneet Lev, MD FACEP, Chief Medical Officer of the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy, ONDCP
	History of IASIC all panelists will comment on this. Dr. Voth will provide an understanding the undermining of the FDA by votes for Medical Marijuana, psychiatric complications and Marijuana addiction. Dr. Finn will discuss the evidence on the relationship to cannabinoids and opioids and highlight that our drug crisis deepens despite the message that marijuana will cure the opioid epidemic. Dr. Lev will discuss frontline cases from the Emergency Department. Dr. Antley will comment on the impact on the quality of pharmaceutical scientific review of products in the setting of legislative or popular vote and explore if cannabinoid containing lotions/topicals/creams could harm the public or impact the public perception of harm around cannabis.
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October 7, 2021

8:20 am - 8:30 am	OPENING REMARKS
8:30 am—9:45 am	Social Justice Issues Related to Marijuana Legalization
	Will Jones III, MPA, the Director of Community Engagement and Outreach at Smart Approaches to Marijuana (SAM)
	Limiting access to marijuana and creating social norms regarding the unacceptability of youth marijuana use are important factors in the prevention of marijuana use. This presentation will provide data and research showing how marijuana legalization is actually impacting minority communities, explore policy options that can truly advance social justice within those communities, and describe how community members can work together to impact these factors and implement youth marijuana prevention strategies through a social justice lens.
9:45 am—9:55 am	BREAK
9:55 am—11:10 am	The Surprising Problem of Prosecuting Drugged Drivers and the Effect of Marijuana Legalization
	Maureen McCormick, Esq., Executive Assistant District Attorney, Nassau County District Attorney's Office for Major Cases and Intergovernmental Relations
	New York State legalized recreational marijuana without addressing the serious flaws in the existing drugged driving statutes or engaging in an educational campaign about the effects of marijuana use on driving. Young people were already overrepresented in impaired driving crashes. Data from other states with legalized marijuana suggests that New York can expect a spike in impaired crash fatalities and injuries. What can be done?
11:10 am—11:20 am	BREAK
11:20 AM—12:35 PM	The Stanford Cannabis Awareness and Prevention Toolkit
	Bonnie Halpern-Felsher, PhD, FSAHM, Professor in the Division of Adolescent Medicine, Department of Pediatrics and in Epidemiology and Population Health Professor and Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Stanford University; Founder and Executive Director of the Tobacco Prevention Toolkit, the Cannabis Awareness and Prevention Toolkit, and the new Vaping Information, Solutions, and Interventions Toolkit (VISIT)
	The Stanford Cannabis Awareness and Prevention Toolkit is a research-informed set of curriculums to help prevent youth from starting or escalating use of using cannabis/marijuana. The Toolkit includes information about cannabis and the developing brain, the science of THC, CBD, and dopamine, short and long-term health effects of using cannabis, and differentiating facts from opinions about cannabis, and what a person's job is in their teen years. Lessons, PowerPoints, worksheets and activities can all be adapted to suit the needs of schools, community organizations, and health-related agencies. In this workshop, we will discuss the development of the Toolkit and demonstrate some of the lessons and best practices in using the materials.
12:35 pm—12:45 pm	CLOSING REMARKS

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Catherine Antley, M.D.

Catherine Antley, M.D. graduated from the University of North Carolina School of Medicine, completed her residency in anatomic and clinical pathology at Duke University Medical Center and fellowship in dermatopathology at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences. She is board certified in Anatomic and Clinical Pathology and in Dermatopathology and is a Fellow of the American Society of Dermatopathology. For 20 years she has served as laboratory director of Vermont Dermatopathology, a woman owned, independent dermatopathology lab serving VT, NY, and NH. She has a strong interest in public health and prevention and exploring the impact of policy on addiction and health care costs. She recently contributed a chapter "Cannabis in Dermatology" to the textbook "Cannabis in Medicine, an Evidence Based Approach" edited by Dr. Ken Finn and published by Springer Nature.

Kenneth P. Finn, M.D.

Kenneth Finn, MD has been practicing Pain Medicine in Colorado Springs since 1994. He is Board Certified in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (1995), Pain Medicine (1998), and Pain Management (2000). He is President-Elect (2020) to the American Board of Pain Medicine. He served on the Colorado Governor's Task Force on Amendment 64, which legalized marijuana for recreational use, Consumer Safety and Social Issues Work Group (2012) and serve 4 years on Colorado's Medical Marijuana Scientific Advisory Council (2014-18). He has testified to the Canadian Senate on their marijuana bill (2018) and speaks internationally on the health impacts of marijuana, including being an invited to the Mayo Clinic, Jacksonville, the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, and the Texas Medical Society. He is editor of Cannabis in Medicine: An Evidence-Based Approach (2020) and currently the Co-Vice President (2021) of the International Academy on the Science and Impacts of Cannabis (https://iasic1.org)

Bonnie L. Halpern-Felsher, Ph.D., FSAHM

Dr. Halpern-Felsher is a developmental psychologist whose research has focused on cognitive and psychosocial factors involved in adolescents' and young adults' health-related decision-making, perceptions of risk and vulnerability, health communication, and risk behavior. Her research has focused on understanding and reducing health risk behaviors such as tobacco use, alcohol and marijuana use, risky driving, and risky sexual behavior. Her research has been instrumental in changing how providers discuss sexual risk with adolescents and has influenced national policies regulating adolescent and young adult tobacco use. As part of the Tobacco Center's of Regulatory Science (TCORS), she is the PI on an NIH/NCI and FDA-funded longitudinal study examining adolescents' and young adults' perceptions regarding as well as initiation, continuation, and cessation of current and new tobacco products, including e-cigarettes and smokeless tobacco. Dr. Halpern-Felsher is also the founder and director of the Tobacco Prevention Toolkit, an online curricular aimed at reducing and preventing youth tobacco use. Dr. Halpern-Felsher's research and committee work have been instrumental in setting policy at the local, state, and national level. In California, Dr. Halpern-Felsher's research was cited in support of school-based tobacco education initiatives within California's Tobacco Education Research Oversight Committee's 2012 Masterplan, and again in their 2017 Masterplan. This Masterplan sets funding priority areas for research, education and intervention for California. Dr. Halpern-Felsher is also collaborating with the California Department of Education to develop, implement and evaluate new school-based tobacco prevention and education materials. At the national level, Dr. Halpern-Felsher's research was highlighted in the 2012 Surgeon General Report, "Preventing Tobacco Use among Youth and Young Adults," and Dr. Halpern-Felsher contributed to the chapter on Clinical interventions: The role of health care providers in the prevention of youth tobacco use. Dr. Halpern-Felsher has been a member of five Institute of Medicine, National Academies of Sciences committees

focusing on adolescent and young adult health risk behavior. She has served on the Board of Directors of the Society for Adolescent Health and Medicine and currently serves on the Council for the Society for Pediatric Research (SPR), and Co-Chairs the SPR Mentoring Committee. In 2007, Dr. Halpern-Felsher became one of the Program Directors for the NIH/NIDDK-funded Short-Term Research Experience for Underrepresented Persons (STEP-UP), High School Program. She has received two NIH 5-year grants to coordinate this program thus far. For this Step-Up Program, Dr. Halpern-Felsher mentors and supervises 22-25 junior and senior high school students each year. These high students are recruited throughout the country, and conduct their 8-10 weeks of research in their hometown. In addition to mentoring high school students, Dr. Halpern-Felsher has been a mentor to over 75 graduate and medical students and postdoctoral fellows.

Will Jones, III, MPA

Coming from a legacy of civil rights leaders in Washington, D.C, Will Jones serves as the Communications and Outreach Associate at Smart Approaches to Marijuana (SAM). He is an experienced speaker and community activist working on issues of social justice at the local and national level.

Partnering with national drug policy advisors and leaders around Washington, D.C., in 2014 Jones founded Two Is Enough DC to raise awareness of the predatory marijuana commercial industry which disproportionally targets disenfranchised communities similar to Alcohol and Big Tobacco. He later started the campaign against marijuana legalization and commercialization in D.C.

Mr. Jones has been featured on a wide variety of TV, radio and print outlets talking about marijuana policy and other issues including NBC, Reuters TV, CBS, BBC World, Al Jazeera, C-span the Washington Post, Huff1ngton Post, Associated Press.

Mr Jones is also a husband, father and 3rd generation Washingtonian. He proudly serves as a DC Firefighter/EMT and obtained his MPA from the GWU Trachtenberg School of Public Policy.

Jason Kilmer, Ph.D.

Dr. Jason Kilmer is an Associate Professor in Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at the University of Washington (UW), and serves as an investigator on several studies evaluating prevention and intervention efforts for alcohol, marijuana, and other drug use by college students. In addition to research and teaching, he has worked extensively with college students and student groups around alcohol and other drug prevention programming and presentations throughout his career (including student athletes, fraternity and sorority members, residence life, and first-year students), both at UW and on campuses across the nation. Jason worked for 10 years as an Addictive Behaviors Specialist in the Counseling Center at The Evergreen State College in Olympia, Washington, then worked for 10 years as the LiveWell Assistant Director for Alcohol and Other Drug Education in LiveWell: Center for Student Advocacy, Training, & Education at UW (formerly Health & Wellness). As faculty in the School of Medicine, Jason continues his direct work with students through presentations for intercollegiate athletics and residence life. Jason also serves as the chairperson of Washington state's College Coalition for Substance Abuse Prevention.

Jason has been project faculty for several national learning collaboratives in the US, including NYU's National College Depression Partnership, Dartmouth's National College Health Improvement Program, and the NCAA's 360 Proof project. He was one of the six members of the development team for the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism's College Alcohol Intervention Matrix (CollegeAIM).

Jason was the 2014 recipient of the National Prevention Network's Award of Excellence for outstanding contributions to the field of prevention. He was a 2017 recipient of the Sue Kraft Fussell Distinguished Service Award from the Association of Fraternity/Sorority Advisors, and was also the 2017 recipient of the Washington State Prevention Professional Award of Excellence. He received the 2018-2019 Research Award from NASPA's Student Athlete Knowledge Community for outstanding contributions to scholarship highlighting the shared interests of athletics and student affairs. Jason has been a 2017, 2018, and 2019 recipient of the Excellence in Teaching award by the MEDEX Northwest Physician Assistant Training Program.

Roneet Lev, M.D., FACEP

Roneet Lev, MD FACEP is the first Chief Medical Officer of the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy, ONDCP. She is charged with providing medical leadership in coordinating drug policy across the federal government. Dr. Lev brings over 25 years of experience as an emergency physician treating the frontline cases of addiction. She was the recent chief of the emergency department at Scripps Mercy Hospital in San Diego and continued to integrate clinical practice with health policy. In 2012, she established and chaired the San Diego Prescription Drug Abuse Medical Task Force, the first of its kind in California that integrates physicians of various specialties and practice settings along with hospitals, dentists, law enforcement, DEA, hospital administration, medication assisted treatment programs and public health for decreasing deaths and mortality from prescription drugs.

Lev's medical publications, known as the "Death Diaries" studied the details of prescription patterns of people who died from accidental prescription drug overdoses, giving insight to the causes of overdose and directing prevention efforts. Lev graduated from the University of Texas Medical School in San Antonio and completed her emergency medicine residency training at the University of California San Diego.

Dr. Lev served as President of the California Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians in 2000. She is Founder and President of IEPC, Independent Emergency Physicians Consortium, an organization providing collaboration to independent emergency departments in California. Her program on Safe Prescribing in the emergency department won the 2014 National Association of Counties award. The California US Attorney's office nominated her for the White House Champion of Change Award. Lev uses data to drive change and has assisted numerous communities in safe prescribing efforts.

Maureen McCormick, Esq.

Ms. McCormick is an Executive Assistant District Attorney in the Nassau County District Attorney's Office for Major Cases and Intergovernmental Relations. She supervises the Homicide, Major Crimes, Special Victims and Vehicular Crimes bureaus and oversees 60 Assistant DAs.

In 2006 Ms. McCormick founded the Vehicular Crimes Bureau in Nassau County after spending almost 20 years in the Kings County District Attorney's Office where she began her career and founded the first Vehicular Crimes Bureau in NYC. She is trained in Collision Reconstruction, Standardized Field Sobriety Testing and Crash Data Retrieval. Ms. McCormick created the award-winning "Choices and Consequences" Program which has educated more than 400,000 high school students about drunk, drugged and reckless driving. She lectures to various law enforcement agencies, prosecutors and hospital associations. She is a member of several traffic safety and legislative committees and is also a contributing author of the New York State DWI Trial Manual and the Vehicular Homicide Manual.

Ms. McCormick continues to try high profile vehicular crimes cases. She successfully argued two DWI depraved murder cases before the Court of Appeals. She is a member of the New York State Impaired Driving Advisory Council and helped draft statewide regulatory changes and legislation, including the Nassau County Social Host Law, Leandra's Law, and the Aggravated Vehicular Homicide and Assault statutes. Ms. McCormick also devised a plan to close the treatment gap for victims of addiction.

Ms. McCormick is the recipient of a number of awards including a MADD Lifetime Achievement award, the William T. Smith Award for Legislation, the NHTSA Public Service Award, the National Traffic Safety Award for Prosecutors and New York State Prosecutor of the Year.

Eric A. Voth, M.D., FACP

Dr. Eric Voth is a specialist in Internal Medicine, Pain Management, and Addiction Medicine and was formerly Vice-President of Primary Care at Stormont-Vail HealthCare in Topeka, Kansas. He is a pioneer in the appropriate prescribing of controlled medications, and is recognized as an international authority on drug use, drug policy-related issues, pain management, and appropriate prescribing practices. He serves as the President and Chairman of the Board of the International Academy on the Science and Impact of Cannabis (IASIC).

Dr. Voth also serves as an advisor on alcohol and drug abuse issues to the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts, is a former member of the National Advisory Committee for the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment of HHS, and is a Clinical Professor of Internal Medicine at the University of Kansas School of Medicine.

Dr. Voth has advised Reagan, Clinton, both Bush, and Obama administrations, and has advised or testified for numerous Congressional offices on drug related issues. He has appeared on or consulted to, numerous other radio media, and has been quoted by numerous international print media.

Having consulted in legal cases for over thirty years, Dr. Voth has provided expert testimony on general medical issues, pain management, and addiction issues for both defense and plaintiff cases.

Aaron Weiner, PhD

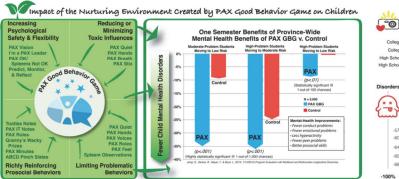
Aaron Weiner, PhD is a board-certified psychologist and owner of Bridge Forward Group, a private practice and consulting organization. He earned his doctorate from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and completed his fellowship in addiction psychology at the VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System. Prior to forming Bridge Forward in 2020, Dr. Weiner served as the director of addiction services at Linden Oaks Behavioral Health in Naperville, Illinois, and the founder and clinical director of the Spectrum Health Addiction Rehabilitation Program in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

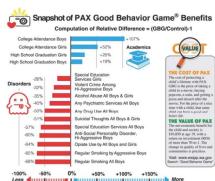
Dr. Weiner is a strong advocate for evidence-based care in treating chemical dependency and behavioral addictions, as well as a proponent of integrating behavioral health services into medical settings. Dr. Weiner has been an outspoken advocate for numerous for ward-leaning trends, including naloxone co- prescribing in hospital settings, fentanyl test strips, responsible opioid destruction, marijuana education, person-first language for stigma reduction, and vaping awareness for youth. He has spoken nationally on the topics of opioid addiction, marijuana commercialization and the vaping epidemic, as well as has served as a context expert for both policy-makers and media outlets.

In addition to his work in healthcare systems, Dr. Weiner is adjunct faculty in the Counseling Psychology Department at the University of Illinois at Urbana- Champaign. He has served on the board of the Society of Addiction Psychology and won multiple regional awards for his commitment to converting best- practice ideas into real-world change.



Welcome to the conference. Twenty-two years ago, PAXIS Institute®—a prevention science company—was founded with \$50,000 to create population-level improvements in peace, productivity, health, and happiness. We sought out the best replicated, cost-effective behavioral science. The aim was not to deliver expensive treatments, but to deliver practical, proven low-cost strategies that could be implemented around the world. And so we did with partners in the United States, in Canada, in Europe, Australia and New Zealand. More than 60,000 educators have learned to use the PAX Good Behavior Game®—benefiting more than 2-million children. With PAX Tools™ for families, community caregivers, and health systems, we have been able to extend the practical, proven prevention science to whole communities—based on our scientific papers on behavioral vaccines [1, 2] and evidence-based kernels to create Nurturing Environments in schools, among families, and even whole populations of communities, states/provinces and even countries. A simple classroom-recipe reduced DSM disorders in a semester in a whole Canadian province, and that immediate change fosters lifetime protection from addictions and behavioral disorders.





When the same, and additional, low-cost evidence-based kernels know as PAX Tools [3] are used in communities, there can be population-level reductions of ACE's, [4], of early addictions by youth [5], and community-level drug



epidemics such as methamphetamine [6, 7]. These are simple, scientifically well-proven strategies *any* community can implement, and these strategies are low-cost and easy to do [8, 9]. This conference is about learning better ways to make change. So, please learn and make use of the strategies at the conference to prevent, heal or reduce addictions in New York and our world.

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Council on Addictions of New York State (CANYS)

The Council on Addictions of New York State (CANYS) is an organization of prevention education, intervention and treatment agencies throughout New York State that meets to address concerns and issues affecting the practice of prevention, intervention and treatment as well as issues of organizational efficiency including administrative, managerial, programmatic, fiscal and Board and staff concerns.

The CANYS Mission is to effectively address alcohol, tobacco, other drugs and problem gambling in our local communities as well as regionally and statewide. We envision a world where health, safety, and wellness are the norm; one in which science-based alcohol, tobacco, other drugs, and problem gambling prevention services are regularly and effectively provided in every setting and domain and to all age groups; where problems related to alcohol, tobacco, other drugs and gambling are minimal; where recovery is celebrated, commonplace reality; and appropriate intervention and treatment are readily available to all who are in need. Councils were created to provide information and referrals to families in need of alcohol and other drug information.

For more information, please visist our website: https://canys.net

Mendez Foundation

The evidence-based Too Good curricula equip children and adolescents to avoid risky behaviors, build healthy friendships, resolve conflict peacefully, and manage and respond to peer pressure situations. Developmentally appropriate and interactive social activities and games create an experiential learning environment that reinforces the learning through role -play, skits, games, and other cooperative learning strategies.

For more information, please visit our website: www.mendezfoundation.org.

PAXIS Institute

PAXIS Institute is the leading international prevention science entity—with population level applications in the United States, Canada, Europe, and Australia—benefitting millions of people. We have multiple studies that show positive, population-level results on reducing addictions, mental illnesses, ACEs, aggression and violence. Our widely proven strategies also increase educational success, employment, public-safety, and long-term mental health at a very low cost.

PAXIS teaches proven and inexpensive methods to better lives by providing practical tools to increase peace, productivity, health and happiness. That, in turn, improves the immediate and long-term wellbeing of our children, families, and communities—based on 50 years of gold standard research. Contact us at www.paxis.org.

Prevention Plus Wellness

Prevention Plus Wellness (PPW) is a family owned small education business providing one-session and other brief evidence-based substance use prevention programs that promote protective wellness behaviors among children, adolescents and young adults for prevention and health professionals and parents.

Problem: Most substance use prevention programs are too lengthy to achieve public health reach among all young people and do not address common chronic disease behaviors which negatively influence youth physical and mental health.

Our solution: We provide single-session and other screening and brief interventions that integrate substance use prevention with wellness behavior promotion in cost-effective formats and with short online and onsite training for providers.

For more information, please visit our website: https://preventionpluswellness.com/

Triple P Positive Parenting Program

The Triple P – Positive Parenting Program® is a system of parenting support programs designed to help parents, kin, and caregivers develop skills in themselves and their children that contribute to better outcomes for children, families and the community. Triple P builds family resilience by helping parents and youth develop the ability to self-regulate, a skill which helps us set personal goals, become more self-sufficient, solve problems and manage emotions. Triple P practitioners are trained to help parents identify their own goals to solve problems within their unique family situation, and then offer strategies to achieve these goals.

Here in New York, Triple P is approved as an evidence-based prevention program by OASAS. Courses are running frequently on Zoom and range from 2-3 days for initial training followed by an Accreditation process.

For More Information: please visit our website: www.triplep.net or via email: contact.us@triplep.net.

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