2019 Opioid Symposium
STOP THE SUFFERING: Addressing the dual challenge of overdose and underdose in the opioid overdose epidemic

Friday, September 20, 2019, 8:30AM–3:30PM
The New York Academy of Medicine

Program

8:30 am Registration and Breakfast

9:00 am Welcome, Introductory Remarks
Judith A. Salerno, MD, MS
President, The New York Academy of Medicine

Peter Wyer, MD
Chair, Section on Evidence Based Health Care
The New York Academy of Medicine

Theme 1: Avoiding the Overdose/Underdose See-saw

9:15 am Lead Speaker
Stefan G. Kertesz, MD
Professor, Division of Preventive Medicine
University of Alabama School of Medicine

9:30 am Panelists
R. Sean Morrison, MD (Moderator)
Ellen and Howard C. Katz Professor and Chair
Brookdale Department of Geriatrics and Palliative Medicine
Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

Jay Horton, PhD, FNP-BC
Senior Director of Nursing for Palliative Care and Director of the Palliative Care Nurse Practitioner Fellowship Program
Phillips School of Nursing at Mount Sinai Beth Israel

Ora Chaikin
Patient
Rosanne Leipzig, MD, PhD  
Gerald and May Ellen Ritter Professor and Vice Chair for Education,  
Brookdale Department of Geriatrics and Palliative Medicine  
Professor, Population Health Science and Medicine and Clinical Geriatrics  
Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

10:00 am  
Dialogue and Debate

10:45 am  
Break

**Theme 2: Harm Reduction: Local Evidence-based and Emerging Models for Responding to the Epidemic**

11:05 am  
Lead Speaker  
*Colleen T. LaBelle, MSN, RN-BC, CARN*  
Program Director, State Technical Assistance Treatment Office Based Opioid Treatment with Buprenorphine (State OBOT B)  
Boston Medical Center

11:20 am  
Panelists  
*Moderated by Michele Calvo, MPH*  
Senior Policy Associate, Community Partnerships and Policy Solutions  
The New York Academy of Medicine

**Hillary Kunins, MD, MPH**  
Executive Deputy Commissioner, Division of Mental Hygiene  
NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

**Chinazo O. Cunningham, MD, MS**  
Professor, Departments of General Internal Medicine,  
Family and Social Medicine and Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences  
Albert Einstein College of Medicine

**Marilyn Reyes-Scales**  
Co-chair, Peer Network of New York  
Community Coordinator, Relay Program  
NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

11:50 pm  
Dialogue and Debate

12:35 pm  
Lunch

Free overdose intervention and prevention training (with naloxone and fentanyl test strips) will be provided by Washington Heights Corner Project/NYHRE.
**Theme 3:** Moving from Innovation to Action: Making it Happen

1:45 pm  
Lead Speaker  
**Kassandra Frederique, MSW**  
New York State Director, Drug Policy Alliance (DPA)

2:00 pm  
Panelists  
*Moderated by Michele Calvo, MPH*  
*Senior Policy Associate, Community Partnerships and Policy Solutions*  
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**Nabila El-Bassel, PhD, DSW, MSW**  
Willma and Albert Musher Professor of Social Work  
Director, Social Intervention  
Columbia University School of Social Work

**Terrell Jones**  
Outreach & Advocacy Program Manager  
New York Harm Reduction Educators

2:30 pm  
Dialogue and Debate

3:15 pm  
Wrap-up

3:30 pm  
Adjourn