



Juneau Harm Reduction Conference

In Partnership with Juneau Tlingit & Haida Community Council

May 20 – 22, 2026 | Juneau, Alaska

AGENDA

Conference Location:

Juneau Tlingit & Haida Community Council
 3235 Hospital Dr
 Juneau, AK 99801

Wednesday, May 20, 2026	
Time	Sessions
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	Community Response, Data, and Local Initiatives Registration & Welcome
9:00 AM – 9:45 AM	Division Services & Community Initiatives Presented by: Bettyann Carlos & Rachel Jeans <i>Community Behavioral Services</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healing Center, R&R, CAP services • COIPP Grant initiatives • Tribal Community Health Vending Machine • Recovery Month events and outreach efforts
9:45 AM – 10:00 AM	Break
10:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Overdose Trends & Response Strategies Presented by: Michael Jurasek, MD <i>Public Health Analyst Alaska Overdose Response Strategy</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southeast Alaska overdose data • Overdose Response Strategy (ORS) program • ODMAP system overview
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Overdose Trends & CARES Program Presented by: Andrew Pantiskas <i>Capital City Fire/Rescue (CCFR)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMS response to overdoses in our Community • Trends around overdoses and 911s • CARES program
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch – Will be Provided by Smokehouse Catering
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM	Drug Trend Awareness for Youth Presented by: Joshua Lawe, Associate <i>National Criminal Justice Training Center</i>
3:00 PM – 3:15 PM	Break

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3:15 PM – 5:00 PM	<p>Awareness to Action: Drug Trends in Juneau Presented by: Juneau Police Department (JPD) - Sgt. Salisbury & Sgt. Wise</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current drug trends in our community • Community reporting strategies • K-9 enforcement
Thursday, May 21, 2026	
Time	Sessions
8:00 AM – 12:00 PM	<p>Drug Trend Awareness Presented by: Gil Van Attenhoven, Consultant <i>National Criminal Justice Training Center</i> The opioid crisis and the rise of other substances continue to impact communities nationwide. This training provides a comprehensive overview of current and emerging drug trends.</p> <p>Topics Include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National drug epidemic overview • Fentanyl, heroin, cocaine, methamphetamines, synthetic cannabinoids • Marijuana legalization and associated challenges • Vaping, butane hash oil, cannabis edibles • Addiction, withdrawal, and health risks • Drug delivery systems and real-world examples • Recognizing signs and symptoms of drug use • Naloxone (Narcan) and overdose response
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	<p>Lunch and Guest Speaker Jeni Brown <i>Lived Experience Presentation</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personal journey through addiction and recovery • Community impact, healing, and resilience
1:15 PM – 5:00 PM	Drug Trend Awareness – Continued
Friday, May 22, 2026	
Time	Sessions
8:00 AM – 12:00 PM	<p>Fundamentals of Verbal De-escalation and Intervention Presented by: Joshua Lawe <i>National Criminal Justice Training Center</i> This course provides practical tools to safely and effectively de-escalate conflict situations and reduce the risk of violence.</p> <p>Topics Include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interaction Between Tribal Members and Law Enforcement • Causes and contributing factors of anger and violence • Recognizing warning signs and escalation behaviors • Identifying individuals in crisis
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch (provided by Public Safety & Smokehouse Catering)

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Friday May 22, 2026 – Continued	
1:00 PM – 5:00 PM	NCJTC – Continued Training (Part 2) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Core verbal de-escalation techniques• Verbal and non-verbal communication strategies• Safety considerations during intervention• Scenario-based application