

87th Annual NECCD Training Institute

Program and Networking Schedule - Tentative

Crowne Plaza Hotel, Warwick, RI

Sunday, October 25, 2026

3:00pm–5:00pm Conference Registration Open

5:00pm–7:00pm Exhibitor Hall Grand Opening and Welcome Reception

Sponsored by NECCD Exhibitors - Meet and Greet, Networking Opportunities, Exhibitor Booth Bingo, Hot & Cold Hors D'oeuvres, Raffle Prizes, Cash Bar

Monday, October 26, 2026

7:00am–4:00pm Conference Registration Open (Closed During Program Sessions)

7:30am–8:30am Continental Breakfast with the Exhibitors

8:30am–9:00am Conference Opening: Welcome Remarks

9:00am–10:00am Plenary: Lena Sisco, MA – The SISCO Method of Rapport-Based Interviewing:
Former Expert DoD Interrogator Shares Non-Accusatory, Strategic Tactics to Get the Truth

10:00am–12:00pm New England Leadership Meeting (by invitation only)

Morning Sessions | 10:15am–11:45am

Workshop 1: Prepared, Not Panicked: Tools for Readiness in Critical Incidents

Presenter: Shawn Largy

Workshop 2: Balancing Safety and Growth: A Comprehensive Approach to Managing Sexual Offenders in the Community

Presenter: Leslie Drummond, PhD and Jessica J. Warner, PhD

Workshop 3: From Community Crisis to Connection: Practical Skills for Engaging Gang-Impacted Youth

Presenter: Jessie Drew, LMHC CAADC LCDP

11:45am–1:00pm Lunch with Exhibitors

Afternoon Session | 1:00pm–2:30pm

Workshop 1: De-Escalation in Action: Practical Skills for Listening, Responding, and De-Escalating

Presenter: Steven Hoard

Workshop 2: Intersection of Human Trafficking and the Interstate Compact for Juveniles (ICJ)

Presenter: A. Roy Curtis, Trissie Casanova, LICSW, Caitlyn Bickford, and Alexander Simeone

Workshop 3: Don't Just Assess—Address: Turning Data into Lasting Change

Presenter: Becca Ford, M.Ed. and Rick Parsons, MA

Afternoon Session 2 | 2:45pm–4:15pm

Workshop 1: Stress Management - Mastering Stress on the Job & Off the Clock

Presenter: Megan L. Taylor

Workshop 2: AI and the Human Element: Enhancing Corrections Through Generative Tools

Presenter: Leslie Drummond, PhD and Jessica J. Warner, PhD

Workshop 3: Safety Without Removal: Practical Tools for Stabilizing High-Risk Youth in the Community

Presenter: Jason Colon, BA and Kristina Jandron, LMHC

4:30pm–6:30pm Exhibitor Reception

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8:00pm–11:00pm Monday Night Football

Dallas Cowboys @ Philadelphia Eagles | Everyone Welcome - Attendees, Presenters and Exhibitors

Tuesday, October 27, 2026

7:00am–8:30am Conference Registration Open

7:30am–8:30am Continental Breakfast with the Exhibitors

Morning Session 1 | 8:30am–10:00am

Workshop 1: How the Fusion Center Can Help You!

Presenter: Raymond J. Angell III, Esq.

Workshop 2: Biohazard/death/hoarding/drug Scene Safety Seminar

Presenter: Kerry Delano

Workshop 3: Gang Identifiers (Clothing / Tattoos / Symbols / Graffiti)

Presenter: Stephen Perry

Morning Session 2 | 10:15am–11:45am

Workshop 1: From Conversation to Confession: Modern Interview & Interrogation Strategies

Presenter: Michael A. Pezzullo

Workshop 2: Resilience in the Trenches: Combating Compassion Fatigue and Burnout

Presenter: Dr. John Watts, DCJ

Workshop 3: Different, Not Less: Supporting Autistic and Neurodivergent Individuals in the Courtroom and the Community

Presenter: Kate Hooven, MS and Ryan Hooven, BA

12:00pm–1:45pm Awards Luncheon

2:00pm–4:00pm Plenary

Plenary Speaker: Brian Lovins, PhD, MSW – Coach or Referee? Aligning Practices with Purpose

8:00pm–11:00pm Closing Reception - a Halloween themed event

Wednesday, October 28, 2026

8:30am–9:30am Breakfast Buffet

9:30am–11:00am Annual Business Meeting and Final Raffles

11:00am Conference Adjourns to Reconvene in Natick Massachusetts November 13-17, 2027