

2025 NSDTA Annual Education Conference Agenda-at-a-Glance

Track 1	Community Well-Being
Track 2	Curriculum Development & Facilitation
Track 3	Evaluation/Research
Track 4	Human Services Leadership
Track 5	Organizational Development
Track 6	Workforce Development

SUNDAY, OCTOBER	5		
TIME	CONTENT		
8:00 am - 5:00 pm	Registration & Information Desk		Promenade
9:00 am -12:00 pm	EAC Meeting (Invite Only)		Riverview
10:00 am - 3:00 pm	Tabletop Set-Up		
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Speaker Ready Room		
9:00 am - 4:00 pm	Bring on the Change: An Organizational Effectiveness Training and Handbook for Change Management Facilitators		
	Presenters: Jennifer Kerr, Kim James		
	Workforce Development & Planning	Curriculum Development & Facilitation	
2:30 pm -3:30 pm	Digital Readiness as a Workforce Imperative: Training and Strategy for Human Services Agencies Presenter: Kirsten DiNicola	The Use of Augmented Reality to Enhance Child Welfare Training Presenter: Jennifer Kelman	
	Merrimac		Claremont
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	1st Time Attendees/Scholarship and Award Recipient Meet & Greet		Riverwalk

5:00pm - 7:00 pm	Welcome Reception	
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MONDAY, OCTOBER	6			
TIME	CONTENT			
6:30am	NSDTA Wellness Power Walk			Main Entrance
7:30 am - 8:30 am	Continental Breakfast			Promenade
8:00 am - 3:00 pm	Speaker Ready Room			TBD
8:00 am - 5:00 pm	Registration & Information Desk			
8:00 am -5:00 pm	Vendor Networking Marketplace			
8:30 am - 9:45 am	Welcome General Session Welcome from NSDTA Co-Chairs Welcome from Norfolk Scholarship Recipients			
9:30 am -12:30 pm	Headshot Lounge, <i>Underwritten by</i>			
9:45 am - 10:00 am	Networking Break & Vendor Marketplace			
	Learning Exchange	Learning Exchange	Learning Exc	:hange
	Leadership	Al	Workforce Well-Being	
10:00 am - 10:45 am	Presenters: Lisa Amador, Laurie Jicha, LaTrece Thompson	Presenters: Chad McDonald, Charmaine Brittain, Dawn Konrady Fanslau	Presenters: Marlo Perry, Lonetta Bryan	
	Merrimac	Merrimac Claremont		Brandon A/B
	Learning Exchange	Learning Exchange	Learning Exc	change
	Current Challenges in Human Services	Facilitation Community Well-Being		
	Presenters: Lesley Calloway, Alison Book, Melonie Barrow	Presenters: Mike Dorsey, Tracy Davis, Laurence Nelson Presenters: Terrance Strong Edwin Lebron		oud, Mike Byers,

	Monticello	York	Eppington	
10:45 am - 11:00 am	Networking Break & Vendor Marketplace			
	Community Well-Being	Human Services Leadership	Evaluation/Research	
	Thriving Together: Advancing Equity and Resilience in response to DEI Rollbacks and Deportation Concerns	EQ It's All About How You Show Up: Managing Your Emotions in the Workplace	Making Data and Research Findings Actionable for Government Decision- Makers	
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Presenter: Dr. Rikki Gilmore-Byrd	Presenters: Tracy Davis, Melonie Barrow	Presenters: Pamela Lilleston, Sharon Li	
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	Organizational Development	Curriculum Development & Facilitation	Community Well-Being	
	LOUI SIDIV. DID. USING AUDIENCE-AWAIE NAITAUVE		Designing Curriculum for Distributive ustice and Systems Change	
	Presenters: Judy Gundy, Charmaine Brittain, Patrick Bridge,	Presenters: Jem Hodsdon, Sean Emmons	Presenter: Arelia Johnson	
	Monticello	York	Eppington	
12:15 pm - 1:45 pm	Lunch (On Your Own)			
	Community Well-Being	Curriculum Development & Facilitation	Human Services Leadership	
2:00 pm - 3:30 pm	Mobilizing Community Power: Advancing Social and Economic Mobility through Cross-Sector Innovation	Building Motivational Interviewing (MI) Skills: Integrating AI-Powered Practice to Strengthen Workforce Capacity and MI Mastery	Thriving in Leadership: Achieving Psychological Safety for The Human Services Leader	
	Presenter: Natalie Williams	Presenters: Chad McDonald, Cole Benson, Matthew Davis, Brad Lundahl	Presenters: Monica Hall, Laurence Nelson, Harolyn Davis McKee	
	Merrimac	Claremont	Brandon A/B	
	Curriculum Development & Facilitation	Organizational Development	Evaluation/Research	

	Designing with the End in Mind: Building for Impact Beyond the Training Room	How a Public System Transformed Organizational Practices Using Implementation Science	From Raw Data to Insightful Dashboards: A Visualization Journey	
	Presenter: Dr. Michael Dorsey	Presenters: Nancy Gagliano, Pamela Lilleston, Michael Doyle	Presenters: Francesca Robinson, Lofaine Bradford	
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3:30 pm - 3:45 pm	Networking Break & Vendor Marketplace			
	Organizational Development	Community Well-Being	Curriculum Development & Facilitation	
	From Paper to Progress: Changing Habits in Benefits Enrollment	Rewiring Burnout: Using Neuroscience and Mindset to Support Staff Well-Being	Less is More – Simplifying Training for Maximum Impact	
3:45 pm - 4:45 pm	Presenter: Matt Lyons	Presenter: Naima Spencer	Presenters: Sherry Parks, Patricia Mojta	
	Merrimac	Claremont	Brandon A/B	
	Workforce Development & Planning	Evaluation/Research	Evaluation/Research	
	Workplace Stability Overview: Creating Conditions that Lead to Retention, Productivity, and Engagement in Entrylevel Workers Presenter: Sondra Huey	Recent Advances in Planning and Conducting Evaluation Studies in Child and Family Services: Practical Strategies in a World of Scare Resources Presenters: Peter Pecora, Sandra Killett,	Building a Cross-Departmental Community of Practice for State Government Researchers Presenters: Sharon Li, Shireena McGee	
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8:00 am - 3:00 pm	Speaker Ready Room			TBD
8:00 am - 5:00 pm	Registration & Information Desk			Promenade
8:00 am -5:00 pm	Vendor Networking Marketplace			Promenade
8:30 am - 9:00 am	Continental Breakfast			Promenade
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Opening General Session Award Recipients			
10:00 am - 10:30 am	Networking Break & Vendor Marketplace			
10:00 am - 3:00 pm	Headshot Lounge, <i>Underwritten by</i>			
	Human Services Leadership Curriculum Development & Facilitation Organizationa			evelopment
10:30 am - 12:00 pm	Aligning Training and Development Initiatives with the Organization's Strategic Objectives and Business Goals	How Do I Engage Virtual Learners? Engagement is More Than Just Connecting Online	Creative Capacity Building: Strategic Bench- Building for Human Services	
	Presenters: Jairous Gurley, LeCorey McCrary Presenter: Edwin Lebron		Presenter: Dr. Michael Dorsey	
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	Workforce Development & Planning	Evaluation/Research	Curriculum Development & Facilitation	
	Data Driven Coaching: Aligning Information, Impact, and Equity	Breaking the Downward Cycles of Burnout and Secondary Traumatic Stress	Healing Facilitation Presenters: Sarah Baig, Christine Doman-Wells	
	Presenter: Christina Liang	Presenter: Sitao Chen, Marlo Perry		
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12:00 pm - 1:30 pm	Lunch (On Your Own)			
	Community Well-Being	Organizational Development	Curriculum Developme	ent & Facilitation
1:30 pm - 3:00 pm	Foster Club Session – Title Pending Presenter: Christine Johnson	How Do We Move from Training to Performing- Building Capacity One Competency at a Time	Secrets to Amazing Activities Presenter: Charmaine Brittain, Karyn Schimmels	
		Presenter: Laurence Nelson		
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	Community Well-Being	Human Services Leadership	Evaluation/Re	esearch
	BlueSky Possibilities: Shifting Systems Through Relationship-Centered Change	Leading Through Troubled Waters to Stability	Workforce Survey ne Presenters: Nicolas Ranney, Karly Schleicher, Sarah Thurston	
	Presenter: Dr. Donna Wilson, Shontay Olson	Presenter: Shunda Giles, Trina Louis, Nishone Foote-Moore		
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WEDNESDAY, OCTO	BER 8				
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7:30 am - 8:30 am	Continental Breakfast				Promenade
8:00 am - 10:00 am	Registration & Information Desk/Ta	abletops			Promenade
8:00 am - 10:00 am	Vendor Networking Marketplace				Promenade
8:30 am - 10:00 am	Curriculum Development & Facilitation	Community Well-Being	Organizational Development	Curriculum Development & Facilitation Reimagining Curriculum Development with Human- Centered Design Presenter: Lisa Parks York	
	Bridging Theory and Practice: Engaging Subject Matters Experts in Curriculum Development Presenters: Andrea Bowersox, Erin Miller	Leading Policy with Purpose: Community-Centered Approaches to Systems Change Presenter: Dr. Trinka Landry- Bourne, Dr. Donna Wilson	Leading Through the Capacity Crisis - What Can We Do When There is More Work Than Time? Presenter: Bill Bott		
	Monticello	Merrimac	Claremont		
10:00 am - 10:15 am	Transition Break				
10:15 am - 11:15 am	Closing General Session Closing Remarks Reggie Bicha, President & CEO, American Public Human Services Association NSDTA Co-Chairs NSDTA 2026 Location Reveal				Stratford/ Providence/ Poplar