NATIONAL AFRICAN AMERICAN DRUG POLICY COALITION
3rd ANNUAL NATIONAL DRUG POLICY SUMMIT

“SUBSTANCE ABUSE AMONG VULNERABLE POPULATIONS:
ADVANCING TREATMENT, ELIMINATING DISPARITIES AND
PROMOTING JUSTICE”

CONFERENCE PROGRAM
MARCH 27 – 30, 2007

TUESDAY – MARCH 27, 2007
2:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Registration

WEDNESDAY – MARCH 28, 2007 - Grant Hyatt Hotel
7:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Registration
8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m Welcoming Ceremonies
Remarks – Dean Kurt L. Schmoke, Howard University School of Law and President, National African American Drug Policy Coalition, Inc.
Greetings – Honorable Carolyn C. Kilpatrick
Chair, Congressional Black Caucus (Invited)
Honorable Kendrick B. Meek
Chair, Congressional Black Caucus Foundation (Invited)
Honorable Elijah Cummings
Former Chair, Congressional Black Caucus
Honorable Eleanor Holmes Norton
Congresswoman for the District of Columbia (Invited)

Theme and Overview of the Summit Conference
Senior Judge Arthur L. Burnett, Sr.
National Executive Director
National African American Drug Policy Coalition, Inc.*

Moderator: Ura Jean Oyemade Bailey, Secretary-Treasurer, NAADPC, Inc., and Director. Center for Drug Abuse Research (CDAR), Howard University, Washington, D.C.  *

Policy Issues of Major Concern to State Legislators – Choices in Criminal Justice, Juvenile Justice, Alcohol and Drug Treatment and Mental Health – and Balancing the State Budget to Meet Pressing Needs. - Honorable Charles Jones, Chair, Law, Justice and Ethics Committee, National Black Caucus of State Legislators and Senator, Louisiana Legislature

Addressing the Problems of a Mayor City with Substantial Poverty and Employment Issues – Creating and Maintaining a Balanced System of Providing Needed Public Services and Maintaining Public Safety - Honorable Salima Siler Marriott, Deputy Mayor, Community and Human Development, Baltimore City, Maryland

From a Psychiatric Perspective, Addressing the Needs for More Substantial Services for Mental Health Problems and not Using Prisons and Jails to House Persons with Mental Problems - William B. Lawson, M.D., Professor and Chair, Director, Mood Research Program, Department of Psychiatry, Howard University College of Medicine and Hospital

Assessing the Needs in the District of Columbia and Obtaining the Resources to Meet the Needs of All the Residents - Charles L. Hall, M.D., Medical Director, Addiction Prevention and Recovery Administration, D.C. Department of Health

Assessing the Needs in Detroit, Michigan and How We Are Endeavoring to Solve the Problems - Calvin R. Trent, Ph.D., Director, Department of Health and Wellness Promotion, Substance Abuse Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery

What Reforms We Need in the Criminal and Juvenile Justice Systems To Increase the Alternative of a Public Health and Medical Solution To the Problems of Human Behavior and Conduct Resulting from Alcoholism and Use of Illegal Drugs - Jill Soffiyah Elijah, Esq., Deputy Director, Criminal Justice Institute, Harvard School of Law, Cambridge, Massachusetts
Program Emphasis in the Federal Government in Expanding Treatment or Drug Use Disorders and Co-Occurring Mental Disorders - Warren W. Hewitt, Jr., M.S., Senior Advisor, SAMHSA, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

11:15 a.m.- 11:30 a.m. Break

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Plenary Session II: “Cultural Proficiency in Drug Courts: Bridging Research and Practice and Cultural Proficiency in Dealing with Adolescents.”

Moderator: Wanda Moore, Esq., President, Thurgood Marshall Action Coalition; Member, Board of Directors, National Association of Drug Court Professionals.

How To Be Sensitive to Cultural Issues of Persons Entering Drug Court and Drug Treatment Programs, How to Assess Who Will Be Compliant and Successful and How To Evaluate When the Program Has Achieved its Objectives - Thomas Alexander, Chair, Cultural Proficiency Subcommittee, National Association of Drug Court Professionals and Substance Abuse Manager, Juvenile Drug Court, San Diego, California

How to Assess Candidates for Drug Court and Drug Treatment Programs – What Risk Assessment Tools to Use – How to be Cultural Proficient in Monitoring Performance of Persons in the Program - Honorable M. Lynn Sherrod – Immediate Past Chair, Judicial Council, National Bar Association – Drug Courts Judge, Huntsville Alabama

The Concern for Screening Out the High-Risk Individual Most in Need of Drug Treatment and Full Range of Services - Mavis Thompson, Esq., Vice President of National Bar Association; Member of Blue Ribbon Commission on Racial Disparities in Substance Abuse Policies

My Experience in Dealing With Cultural Proficiency Issues with Juveniles and Young Adolescents and What Improvements Are Needed - Cyndie M. Buckson, Psy.D, Principal Consultant, Clinical & Forensic Consultation Services, LLC, Bowie, Maryland

Cultural Competency, Cultural Proficiency and Statistics – Dr. Roderick Harrison, Professor, Howard University

12:30 p.m.–2:45 p.m. Luncheon

Greetings – Terry L. Cline, Ph.D., Administrator, SAMHSA (Invited)
Keynote Speech – Congressman John Conyers, Jr.
Future Directions in Drug Law Policies in this Nation (Invited)

3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Plenary Session III - “Community Corrections and Re-entry Programs - Preventing Drug Abuse and Recidivism – Promoting Stability in the Community.”

Moderator: Senior Judge Arthur L. Burnett, Sr., National Executive Director, National African American Drug Policy Coalition, Inc.*


How to Develop Re-entry and Recovery Programs Which Will Be Successful, How to be Effective with Participants, and Evaluation - Natasha H. Williams, Ph.D., J.D., MPH, Senior Research, Morehouse School of Medicine


What Plans and Strategy Can a Government Agency Develop and Implement to Assure Success and to Prevent and Reduce Recidivism - Adrienne R. Poteat, Deputy Director, Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency, District of Columbia


5:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Action Kit briefing

Moderator: Marshella Toldson, Esq., Attorney-Adviser to National Executive Director, National African American Drug Policy Coalition

Using a Practical Approach in Talking to Your Policy Makers - Wanda Moore, Esq., President, Thurgood Marshall Action Coalition and Member, Board of Directors, National Association of Drug Court Professionals.
Collecting Data When Current, Maintaining Adequate Records, Developing Capacity and Sustainability – Stressing These Factors With Legislators and Other Policy Makers - Dr. Ura Jean Bailey, Secretary-Treasurer, NAADPC, Inc. and Director, Center for Drug Abuse Research (CDAR), Howard University*

7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Reception – Grand Hyatt Hotel

THURSDAY – MARCH 29, 2007 - MARRIOTT METRO CENTER

7:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Registration

7:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast

8:30 a.m. -  12:00 p.m. NAADPC Advisory Board of Directors’ Meeting
Howard University – E. Franklin Frazier Conference Room
Third Floor, Holy Cross Building

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Plenary Session IV - JUVENILES – PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE - USE OF CULTURALLY PROFICIENT METHODS AND MENTORING AS AN EFFECTIVE APPROACH.

Moderator: John Wilson, Jr., Ph.D., John Wilson & Associates Consulting, Washington, D.C.


Reforms Necessary to Assure that Law Enforcement Policing Not Responsible for Disproportionate Arrests, Prosecution and Confinement – The District of Columbia Problem – Is There One? Jenise “Jo Patterson, Chair, Juvenile Justice Advisory Group, District of Columbia; President, ParentWatch, District of Columbia  (Invited)


Should Juveniles be Prosecuted in Adult Criminal Court – the Chicago Experience and Scientific Studies - Frederick Joseph Dyer, Ph.D., CADC, Clinical Psychologist, Chicago, Illinois
Dealing with Peer Influence on Juveniles, Gangs and the Culture of Los Angeles, California - Michael R. Guynn, M.A., President, Association of Black Social Workers of Greater Los Angeles, California

Running a Country Ranch Rehabilitation Program – A Realistic Approach to Life Options – Charts and Graphs Telling It Like It Is - Robert Pitre, Chief Executive Officer, Skyline Ranch, Dallas, Texas

Doing Research on Juvenile Offenders and Their Pretrial Behaviors - Jerome J. Robinson, MFS, TC, SC, MT, Director, Office of Forensic Research, D.C. Pretrial Services Agency, CSOSA, District of Columbia

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Plenary Session V - Medications and Products for the Treatment Of Alcoholism and Opioid, Cocaine and Amphetamine Addictions.

Moderator: Dr. Gail C. Christopher, D. N., Vice-President And Director, Health Policy Institute, Joint Center for Political And Economic Studies (Invited)

The Need for Treatment for Offenders Supervised by the Agency and the Monitoring Required to Protect Against Abuses and Misuse of Medications and Products - Calvin Johnson, Director, Office of Research and Evaluation, Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency, District of Columbia

The Medication Policies of the District of Columbia, Reimbursement for Services Render, and Preventing Abuses – The Potential for Buprenorphine - Dr. Walter L. Faggett, Medical Director, Medical Assistance Administration, District of Columbia Department of Health and Chair, Washington Healthcare Empowerment Coalition, local Affiliate of National African American Drug Policy Coalition, Inc.

Prometa and What Is It? Where Has It Been Used and With What Results? - Arlandis L. Rush, Vice President of Government Affairs, Hythiam Inc., Los Angeles, California

How Prometa Works for Users of Cocaine and Amphetamine Addictions - Dr. Stephen A. Dawkins, M.D., M.P.H., GSHS, FACOEM, Caduceus Occupational Medicine, Atlanta, Georgia

Clinical Trials for Gamma Vinyl GABA (GVG) and the Brookhaven Laboratory Studies - Is there Promise? - Dr. Donald R. Vereen, Jr., M.D., M.P.H., Special Assistant for Medical Affairs, Office of the Director, National Institute on Drug Abuse, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
11:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Coffee Break

11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Plenary Session VI - Post Traumatic Stress Disorders: Our Veterans and the Tragedy of War - Our Youth and the Tragedy of Violence on our Streets in our Cities.

Moderator: Nkechi Taifa, Senior Policy Analyst, Open Society Institute, Washington, D.C.

The Prevalence of Handgun and Other Violence on Our Streets in Our Cities and the Impact upon Our Youth – How It Impacts Their Behavior, Motivation and Expectations – Do They Experience Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and Other Mental and Emotional Disorders? - Kenneth E. Barnes, Sr. , President and CEO, Reaching Out to Others Together (ROOT, Inc.)

Dealing with Substance Abuse and Mental and Emotional Illness of Returning Veterans – To What Extent is Post Traumatic Stress Disorder Present? - Dr. Antonette Zeiss, Deputy Chief Consultant, Office of Mental Health Services, U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs -

A Minister’s Exposure to Teenagers and Young Adults with Post Traumatic Stress Disorders and Other Symptoms of Mental or Emotional Disturbance Resulting from Violence - Reverend Dr. Nathan A. Harris, Pastor, Lincoln Congregational Temple United Church of Christ, Washington, D.C.

Violence in Minority Communities and the Impact on Teenagers and Young Adults in the City of Houston, Texas - Vernus C. Swisher, Chief Executive Officer, Career and Recovery Resources, Inc., Houston, Texas

1:00 p.m – 2:00 p.m. Lunch on your own

2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Briefing on Capitol Hill

Moderator: Senior Judge Arthur L. Burnett, Sr.
National Executive Director, National African American Drug Policy Coalition, Inc.

Greetings and Comments by Members of Congress on Significant Issues Pending in the 110th Congress

Honorable Donna Christensen, Chair, Black Caucus Health Brain Trust

Honorable Danny K. Davis, 7th Congressional District, Illinois

Honorable Robert C. “Bobby Scott, Chair, Subcommittee on Crime,
Panel: Critical Issues of Concern to the Legal Profession, the Medical and Healthcare Professions and Social Scientists Impacting the African-American Community - Roundtable Discussion

Moderator: Senior Judge Arthur L. Burnett, Sr., National Executive Director, National African American Drug Policy Coalition, Inc.

Gene Guerrero, Esq., Senior Policy Analyst, Open Society Policy Center, Washington, D.C.

Nkechi Taifa, Senior Policy Analyst, Open Society Institute, Washington, D.C.

Dr. Christopher E. Ervin, M.D. FACEP, Emergency Medicine and Healthcare Disparities, Atlanta, Georgia.

Charlotte W. Collins, Esq., Associate Professor, Director, Minority Health Policy Program, George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

Deidre Griffith, MPH, Coordinator, Eliminating Health Disparities Program, Health Communication Research Laboratory, School of Public Health, Saint Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri.

Jo-Ann Wallace, Esq., Senior Vice-President for Programs, The National Legal Aid & Defender Association (Invited)

Jason Ziedenberg, Executive Director, Justice Policy Institute, Washington, D.C. (Invited)

Robert E. Stein, Esq. Chair, Individual Rights and Responsibilities Section, American Bar Association. (Invited)

Malika Saada Saar, J.D., Executive Director, The Rebecca Project for
FRIDAY, MARCH 30, 2007

7:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.  Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  Pilot Cities Workshop and Training

Dr. Sylvia Quinton – Presenter

8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.  Dr. Lonnie E. Mitchell Conference workshops (Grand Hyatt)
NAADPC Conference Attendees can attend any workshops of Choice

12:00 pm – 2:00 p.m.  Luncheon followed by HIP HOP PANEL with Dr. Lonnie E. Mitchell
Conference at Grand Hyatt Washington Hotel

HIP HOP PANEL –  *The Impact of Hip Hop on Music, Culture and Drug Abuse and How to Turn it into a Positive Force for Good*

Moderator:  Dr. Ben Chavis, Hip-Hop Summit Action Network, New York, New York

Honorable Keith Ellison, U.S. House of Representatives, 5th Congressional District, Minnesota (Invited)

Rodney Allen Rippy, Actor and Director, R.A.R. Entertainment, And Bow Tie Productions, Los Angeles, California

Lisa Fager, Hip Hop Commentator and Critic (CNN)

2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.  Pilot Cities Workshop on Organizing and Seeking Funding
For Action Programs (Continued)

Moderator:  Edward G. Singleton, Ph.D., Consulting Psychologist

Mary Elizabeth Larson, Vice President, Marketing and Membership, CADCA (Invited)

C. Debra Furr-Holden, Ph.D. – Research Associate, Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation (PIRE)

Carolyn Hardin, Director, Drug Court Training Institute
5:00 p.m. Conference Adjourns.

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Note for the Roundtable Panel Discussion – 6 persons have already accepted and I am waiting for responses from 3 others.