

American Council of Chief Defenders (ACCD) Pre-Conference

Wednesday, June 12th, 2024

The Graduate Hotel, Minneapolis

Time	Session Title	Room
9:00 – 9:15 AM	Welcome – Aisha McWeay, ACCD Chair & Michael Mrozinski, Director of Defender Legal Services and Policy Initiatives, NLADA	Think 5
9:15-10:45 AM	Public Defender Independence Updates on national events around PD independence, and facilitated discussion about ACCD’s role in the future. Moderated by Michael Mrozinski, Director of Defender Legal Services and Policy Initiatives, NLADA	Think 5
10:45 – 11:45 AM	Community Research: Client Feedback Surveys Hear from researchers and Chiefs working on creating client-directed feedback survey and performance metrics. Moderated by Alison Bloomquist, NLADA	Think 5
11:45 – 1:00 PM	Lunch <ul style="list-style-type: none">BPDA presentation – Alaina Bloodworth, Executive Director	Think 5
1:00-2:00 PM	Opening Plenary - Have We Answered the Call to Action? Antiracism Advocacy Post-George Floyd , <i>Heather Pinckney, Ashley Stebbins, Latosha Crawford, Ileshaah Murphy, Moderated by Alaina Bloodworth</i>	Meridian Ballroom
2:00-2:30 PM	Break	
2:30-3:30 PM	Keeping the DEIB Fires Lit in the Face of Policies and Decisions Meant to Chill (part of the DEIB Leadership Track)	Meridian 3
3:30-3:45 PM	Break	
3:45-4:45 PM	Succession Planning - Growing and sustaining leadership in Public Defender Offices. Facilitated discussion, moderated by Aisha McWeay, ACCD Chair.	Think 5
5:00-7:00 PM	ACCD Reception	