**Chasing the Dragon- Panel Discussion Members**

**Sgt. Brandon Lacy**

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Sgt. Lacy currently supervises daily operations at the WCDTF. Prior to his current position, he has served on the Meth Lab Response Team, and was trained at the Drug Enforcement Agency Academy in Quantico, Va. He has also served as Assistant Field Commander at the Task Force. Sgt. Lacy has been with the Warren County Sherriff’s Department for 20 years and supervised the Detective Section for 6 years during that time. He is the proud father of two children.

**Beth Renner**

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Beth will give a first-hand personal account that this epidemic crosses all boundaries.

**Dr. Holly Papanek**

**Medical Doctor, Critical Care**

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Dr. Papanek has been practicing hospital and critical care medicine for the last 18 years at Miami Valley Hospital. She graduated from Ohio University College of Medicine. She and her husband Phil have four amazing boys who attend in the Waynesville district.

**Dr. Kent Harshbarger, MD, JD, MBA**

**Anatomical, Clinical, and Forensic Pathologist-Montgomery County Coroner (Day panel)**

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Dr. Harshbarger received his professional degrees from Southern Illinois University School of Medicine and from Southern Illinois University School of Law. Additionally, he has a Master’s of Business Administration from Wright State University. Dr. Harshbarger currently serves as the Montgomery County Coroner. He also serves as a colonel in the Army Reserve assigned as a Regional Armed Forces Medical Examiner. In addition to his current position, he holds appointments as a Clinical Assistant Professor in the Department of Pathology at Wright State University School of Medicine and in the Department of Specialty Medicine at the Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine.

**Dr. Russell Uptegrove, MD**

**Forensic Pathologist-Coroner of Warren County (Evening Panel)**

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Dr. Russell grew up in Charleston, SC. He graduated from Clemson University and Medical University of South Carolina. He has completed a residency in anatomic and clinical pathology and a fellowship in forensic pathology. He moved to Ohio in 1999. Dr. Russell started working at the coroner’s office in Dayton and performed over 5,000 autopsies. He is currently a coroner in Warren County and has been doing so since 2007.

**Jeff Rhein MRC, PCC-s, LICDC-CS**

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Jeff completed his Masters of Rehabilitation Counseling- Chemical Dependency in 2000 at Wright State University. In May of 2014, Jeff changed employment by moving to Mental Health& Recovery Services of Warren& Clinton Counties as the Director of AoD Addiction Services. Previously he worked at Solutions CCRC (formerly Mental Health and Recovery Centers of Warren County) since November of 2000. Jeff began his career there as a Crisis Therapist in the correctional setting. He has served in various positions at the agency including his last role supervising the crisis team at Solutions. Over the past four years, he has instructed the Crisis Intervention course for the Master’s of Counseling program at Xavier University. He has completed extensive training in Motivational Interviewing and he has served as the trainer for that modality. Jeff is part of the Emergency Management Response team in Warren county. Jeff grew up in Wisconsin and currently resides in Mason, Ohio with his wife and 2 children. He and his wife keep busy raising their daughters and in his free time he enjoys cycling, bonsai and learning to play the banjo.

**Dr. Leslie R. Dye, MD/Addiction Medicine/Author (Evening Panel)**

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Dr. Dye serves as the Editor-in-Chief of Point of Care Content for Elsevier and oversees a team of 14 people. She graduated from the University Of Kansas School Of Medicine and completed her residency in Emergency Medicine and her fellowship in Medical Toxicology and Hyperbaric medicine at the University of Cincinnati. She was an associate professor in emergency medicine and Pharmacology/Toxicology at Wright State University. Dr. Dye has served at the Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Medical Toxicology. Prior to joining Elsevier, Dr. Dye was the training coordinator for Medisync Health Care Solutions in Cincinnati. Dr. Dye continues to work part time in addiction medicine and is the past President of the American College of Medical Toxicology and the current president of the Medical Toxicology Foundation. She is board certified in Emergency Medicine and Medical Toxicology. Leslie has lived outside of Waynesville since 1993.

**Casey Hippenhammer, MSW, LISW**

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Casey is the coordinator of the Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition of Warren County. She has been in this position for three years, connecting community members, businesses, and organizations to engage in prevention practices to prevent drug and alcohol abuse. In this role, Casey has assisted the coalition in receiving the Strategic Prevention Framework Partnerships for Success grant for $80,000. Warren Co. is one of nine counties in the state awarded the grant. The coalition also collaborates with the Violence Free Coalition to educate youth leaders on prevention and host the annual youth summit. When Casey isn’t working to strengthen prevention in the county, she is probably traveling both near and far or doing something outdoorsy.

**James Syphax CDCA, OCPSA (Evening Panel)**

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James works as a prevention specialist at Solutions Community Counseling and Recovery Centers. I also work with H.E.L.P. of Clinton County, the newly formed drug free coalition serving all of Clinton County by providing health education, leadership, and prevention services. James served on the Clinton County Opiate Task Force and is a member of the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services evidence based practice work group for Strategic Prevention Framework grantees. In his free time, he enjoys boating around Lake Cumberland or playing my banjo.

**Sheila Lafferty (Evening Panel)**

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Sheila Lafferty received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from the Ohio State University and her Juris Doctor from the University of Dayton School of Law. She began her legal career as an Assistant Prosecutor in Montgomery County, Ohio. Since 1999, Ms. Lafferty has served as a federal prosecutor in the Criminal Division of the United States Attorney’s Office. She began her federal career as a general criminal AUSA, prosecuting a wide variety of criminal matters. Ms. Lafferty was also responsible for prosecution of Project Safe Childhood cases, handling dozens of child pornography and child exploitation cases. Ms. Lafferty is currently assigned to the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force Section and is the lead attorney for the Heroin Eradication and Apprehension Team Task Force in the Dayton, Ohio area.

**Special Guests:**

**Todd Lindgren- FBI, Cincinnati Field Office**

**Jason Sharp- Pastor for the Waynesville United Methodist Church**

**Donna Gorski- Alateen Facilitator for Waynesville High and Middle Programs**

**Arlynn Mahefkey. Mental Health Therapist**