

Please join us at a press conference as we kick off the
West Side Heroin Task Force on

INTERNATIONAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY

August 31, 2016 at 9 a.m.

**James R. Thompson Center, 15th Floor, Blue Room
100 W. Randolph, Chicago**

**Rep. La Shawn K. Ford in partnership with Loretto Hospital and
Roosevelt University to announce the formation of the task force.
Roosevelt University will also release a report on
the West Side's heroin crisis.**

SPEAKERS:

**Invited*

The goal of the West Side Heroin Task Force is to provide evidenced-based, health-centered solutions for those experiencing heroin and opioid use disorders while connecting families, service providers and communities to promote health and well-being for West Side residents.



Dr. Sonia Mehta
CEO/CMO
Loretto Hospital



**State Representative
La Shawn K. Ford**
8th Legislative District



Kathie Kane Willis
Director, Illinois Consortium
on Drug Policy
Roosevelt University



**Congressman
Danny K. Davis***
7th District of Illinois



Jamelia R. Hand, MHS,
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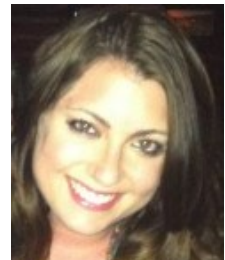
Doris Davenport
President
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George A. H. Williams
VP, Community &
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Marianne Schiavone
Chairperson
West Suburban
Medical Center



Chelsea A. Laliberte
Executive Director/
Co-founder
Live4Lali, Inc.

Other invited guests include: Cook County Sheriff's Office; Chicago Recovery Alliance; PCC Community Wellness; Community Outreach Intervention Projects, School of Public Health at the University of Illinois at Chicago; St. Anthony Hospital; Biodelivery Sciences; Cook County Justice Advisory Council; Alumni Association; Health & Medicine Policy Research Group; Habilitative Systems, Inc.; Peer Services; The Kennedy Forum; Cook County; Community Behavioral Healthcare Association of Illinois; Illinois Alcoholism and Drug Dependence Association (IADDA); Chicago Department of Public Health; Stroger Hospital; Family Guidance Centers, Inc.; Cap Quality Care; Soft Landing Recovery; Heartland Health; Healthcare Alternative System; Rincon Family Services; City of Chicago; and, St. Martin de Porres Church.