

NC Jail Administrators' Association

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Message From the President

Greetings from the Desk of the President,

On behalf of the North Carolina Jail Administrators' Association and the Board of Directors, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all those who participated in the 2025 Jail Conference. Your unwavering support and dedication played a pivotal role in making this event a resounding success.

I would like to especially recognize our sponsors; your generous contributions are the driving force behind the success of our conferences. Additionally, we greatly appreciate our Sheriffs for their steadfast support, which empowers us to participate in these crucial events. The knowledge gained, along with the unity and collaboration fostered during the conference, equips us to effectively tackle the ongoing challenges of staff shortages and complex operational demands. Together, we are stronger and more prepared to meet these challenges head-on as we work through the ongoing challenges of staff shortages and operational demands.

Thank you for all you do!

Sincerely,

Denise Mitchell

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President, North Carolina Jail Administrators' Association

SAVE THE DATES

Jail Symposium - April 15-17, 2026
Embassy Suites, Greensboro, NC

Open to Jail Administrators, Asst. Jail Administrators,
Sheriffs & Chief Deputies Only

Reservation Deadline: April 1, 2026 | Hotel Rate: \$131/Night

NCJAA 2026 Conference - September 28 - October 1, 2026
Embassy Suites, Greensboro, NC

Reservation Deadline: September 14, 2026 | Hotel Rates Begin at: \$125/Night

Mission Statement— The mission of the North Carolina Jail Administrators' Association is to encourage and facilitate professionalism through effective and timely training and the exchange of information between jail professionals. Our goal is to foster respect, friendship, and goodwill among all jail professionals and to promote a positive image to the community and citizens we serve.

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Thank you to Our Conference Exhibitors!

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NCJAA New Board of Director Members

Elections were recently held at the NCJAA Conference in Greensboro, NC on September 29th – October 2nd, 2025. Newly elected directors are Jason Long from Gaston County and David Wall from Richmond County. Both will serve 3 year terms. Also sworn in as President was Denise Mitchell from Duplin County and Bill Flint from Moore County as Vice President. Thomas Bailey will serve as Secretary for the association and Heath Helms will serve as Treasurer. Durwin Briscoe and Rodney Wiles were sworn in as returning directors. Judge Marc Tyrey from Guilford County presided over the swearing in ceremony. Please click [here](#) for a complete board list. Pictured right top: Judge Marc Tyrey and pictured bottom right: NCJAA board members



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NCJAA Jail Administrator of the Year

The NCJAA Jail Administrator of the Year Award was presented to Capt. Rodney Wiles of the Yadkin County Sheriff's Office.

This award recognizes a Jail Administrator who has made outstanding contributions to the operation of their Detention Facility and Sheriff's Office, has demonstrated exceptional meritorious service, and has contributed to the betterment of the NCJAA. Congratulations Capt. Wiles!

Pictured Right: Frederick Hayes, Rodney Wiles and Sheriff Bryan N. Smitherman



NCJAA Detention Officer of the Year

The NCJAA Detention Officer of the Year Award was presented to Corporal Judy Sifford of the Rowan County Sheriff's Office.

This award recognizes a detention officer who has made outstanding contributions to their Sheriff's Office or who has demonstrated superior courage and bravery in the performance of their assigned duties. Congratulations, Corporal Sifford! Pictured Right: Frederick Hayes, Corporal Sifford and Sheriff Travis Allen.



Richard Frye Scholarship

This year's recipient of the Richard Frye Scholarship is Lt. Beth Sprouse.

Lt. Sprouse is currently working in the detention division of the Rutherford County Sheriff's Office. She is attending Isothermal Community College located in Spindale, NC. She is working towards receiving her bachelors degree in Criminal Justice.

This scholarship is named after the late Sheriff Richard Frye of Alamance County who was instrumental in establishing the NCJAA. It is a great honor for someone to be awarded this scholarship!

Pictured Right: Bill Flint and Beth Sprouse



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Remaining Scheduled Classes at NCJA for 2025

November 13-14 - Salemburg - Basic Inmate Transport

December 1-2 - Edneyville - Basic Inmate Transport

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New Procedures Effective October 1, 2025

Effective October 1, 2025 new procedures are required by law to be implemented in jails across North Carolina regarding prisoners charged with certain specified crimes.

G.S. 162-62 was amended by the General Assembly in House Bill 10 in 2024 and in House Bill 318 in 2025.

Note that these new procedures apply to prisoners who were initially confined in the jail before, on, or after October 1, 2025, and who are in the jail on or after October 1, 2025.

Therefore, for prisoners who have been charged with the specified crimes who are already in jail on October 1, 2025, the jail administrator is required to follow the procedures outlined in the link below.

If you have any questions about these new jail procedures, please contact Matthew Boyatt, NCSA Deputy General Counsel, at (919) 459-6467 or mboyatt@ncsheriffs.net.

[Legal Status Of Prisoners](#)

House Bill 307, Iryna's Law

[HOUSE BILL 307](#), Iryna's Law, has been signed into law by Governor Josh Stein with an effective date of December 1, 2025 for most provisions. The bill makes various changes to the laws regarding pretrial release for criminal defendants. Please click on the link below for further information.

[Of Interest to the Criminal Justice Community](#)

NCJAA Directory

Please review the information for your county and let us know of changes. Send updated information to elaine@execman.net

[NCJAA Detention Facility Resource Directory](#)

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In Service Requirements for 2026

Detention Officers - Below are in-service requirements for 2026.

2026 Purpose and Responsibilities – 14J (2 credits)
2026 Expect the Unexpected – Inmate Behavior (2 credits)
2026 The Detention Officer's Critical Role (2 credits)
2026 Leadership from Within (2 credits)
2026 Professionalism in the Workplace (4 credits)
2026 Committed to Integrity (4 credits)

Mecklenburg County Detention Center Launches MAT Program

Mecklenburg County Detention Center (MCDCC) is confronting the opioid crisis with the launch of Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) services provided by VitalCore Health Strategies, LLC. Beginning on Aug. 1, 2025, continuing through May 18, 2027, this innovative program is fully funded by Mecklenburg County with the use of the National Opioid Settlement funds.

Drug overdose is a leading cause of death for individuals recently discharged from correctional facilities, with the highest risk occurring within first two weeks post-release. Access to Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) in these settings can lower the risk of overdose, recidivism, and disease transmission, according to North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS).

At MCDCC, VitalCore licensed MAT clinicians will utilize evidence-based approaches including cognitive behavioral therapy, motivational enhancement and trauma-informed care.

To qualify for MAT, residents must meet one of the following requirements:

- Maintain current MAT participation or previously participated outside MCDCC
- Screen positive for opioid use
- Request treatment evaluation
- Present a history of opioid use dependency

Care will include FDA-approved medications such as:

- Buprenorphine induction
- Methadone continuation
- Naltrexone
- Methadone induction

Alongside medication management, program staff will provide essential clinical support through individual counseling, group therapy sessions, medical monitoring, and care with community providers.

To effectively integrate this medical treatment with behavioral health support, VitalCore will recruit additional staff to administer MAT services to residents. Furthermore, MCDCC's MAT Team will maintain regular communication with community providers, involve family support when appropriate, and implement thorough discharge planning to establish a stable foundation for continued recovery upon release.

“As I promised to this community when I became Sheriff, I will consistently identify and implement programs and initiatives that will empower our returning citizens to reenter society and their communities better than they left,” says Sheriff Garry L. McFadden. “MCSO's new MAT program embodies my promise that will also fulfill a dream of a mother whose child is struggling with addiction.”

Information taken from press release from Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office dated September 9, 2025.

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