

The 3rd Annual Beverly Roberts Memorial Healthcare Symposium

November 4, 2026

NJ Law Center, One Constitution Square, New Brunswick, 08901

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Breakout Sessions (11:45 AM - 1:00 PM)

(Choose 1 to Attend)

#1. Understanding Complex Trauma in IDD: Support Through a Biopsychosocial Lens

This session will provide an overview of START Services NJ and its evidence based, community-centered crisis prevention and intervention model for people with intellectual, neurodevelopmental disabilities, and mental health needs. Participants will learn how a biopsychosocial, person-centered approach, grounded in trauma-informed and strengths-based principles, enhances supportive assessment and intervention. The group will also explore the unique impact of trauma in people with IDD, highlighting how trauma related responses are often overlooked or mistaken for “behavioral/psychiatric problems.”

Presenter:

Jacquelyn Palladino, PsyD

YAI Clinical Director

START Services NJ

#2. When IDD and Behavioral Health Intersect: Understanding Supports Through CSOC and ResourceNet

Children and youth with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) are at increased risk for co-occurring behavioral health and mental health challenges, yet families and professionals often face difficulties identifying and accessing appropriate supports. This session will provide an overview of the New Jersey's Children's System of Care (CSOC), including PerformCare, Mobile Response and Stabilization Services (MRSS), Care Management Organizations (CMOs), Family Support Organizations (FSOs), and county ResourceNets. Participants will learn how to recognize behavioral health needs in youth with IDD, navigate available service pathways, and connect families to effective community-based resources.

Presenters:

Kai Rainey, MS, LAC

Care Manager Supervisor
Nurtured Heart Approach ® Advanced Certified Trainer
FST Certification-Intro Level
Certified Wraparound Coach
Bergen's Promise

Jose M. Rodriguez, LPC, LCADC, ACS

Clinical Consultant
Certified Wraparound Coach
Nurtured Heart Approach ® Advanced Certified Trainer
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Jacqueline Yeboah, BSN, RN

Behavioral Health Home Nurse Manager
Bergen's Promise

#3. One Person, One Plan, One Team: Comprehensive Support for Dual Diagnosis

This session will explore a comprehensive, person-centered approach to supporting individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) who also experience mental health or behavioral health needs. Presenters will share practical strategies for building effective wraparound supports that bring together clinical, behavioral, medical, programmatic, family, and community resources around one coordinated plan. The session will highlight how strong collaboration, individualized planning, and consistent implementation can improve stability, quality of life, and long-term outcomes for people with complex needs.

Presenters:

Naira Aslanyan

Interim Chief Executive Officer,
ArcMorris

Melinda Iannarone, MA

Chief Strategy & Impact Officer
ArcMorris

Charlotte Diaz, LMSW

Vice President of Day Habilitation & Wellness Services,
ArcMorris