

## **Specialty Courts: Path to Wellness Program, Native American Healing to Wellness Court, and Veterans Court**

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In recent times, many state and tribal courts have looked to traditional, customary, and multi-disciplinary methods of providing justice, given the challenging obstacles individuals encounter as defendants in the court system. This session will explore various court structures, mechanisms, best practices, and resources available in these specialty courts, as examples that could be utilized and adapted by tribal jurisdictions to more effectively address the needs of individuals in the court system, provide support services, and promote self-sufficiency.