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The Illicit Business behind the Opioid Epidemic: What Can We Do About It?

A full day conference sponsored by the Schar School's Terrorism, Transnational Crime and Corruption Center (TraCCC). The full-day conference looks behind the opioid epidemic to analyze the criminal networks who profit from it and the new technologies that enable the illicit trade but can also be used in the fight against it. Speakers will discuss:

- **Illicit actors and their business models**
- **New technologies: They fuel the epidemic, but can they be used to combat it?**
- **Policy gaps: What can we do better?**

Date: Wednesday, October 18th, 2017, 9:00 - 5:00pm
Location: Founders Hall Auditorium, 3351 Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22201 (Virginia Square Metro Stop)
Parking: Metered street parking is available around the building. Garage parking is available below Founders Hall at cost of \$15 for day

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The Illicit Business behind the Opioid Epidemic: Agenda

<p>9:00am - 9:30am</p>	<p>Welcome and intros: <i>Louise Shelley, Director, TraCCC</i> <i>Mark Rozell, Dean, Schar School of Policy and Government</i></p>
<p>9:30am - 10:30am</p>	<p>Setting the stage: (1) Opioid Epidemic in the Washington Metropolitan Region <i>Tom Carr, Executive Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy's (ONDCP) Washington/Baltimore High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Program</i></p> <p>(2) Perceptions of Drug Use and Crime in Appalachian Kentucky <i>Dr. Charlotte Gill, Deputy Director, Center for Evidence-Based Crime Policy, School of Criminology, GMU</i></p>
<p>Coffee Break</p>	
<p>10:50am - 11:50pm</p>	<p>New Technologies: How They Can Facilitate AND Counter the Spread of Opioids, Heroin & Synthetics <i>David Bringle, President & CEO, Whistle Lake Partners</i> <i>Brian Sandberg</i> <i>Tom Carr, Washington/Baltimore HIDTA</i></p>
<p>LUNCH BREAK – On Your Own, or Pizza will be offered on site</p>	
<p>1:00pm - 2:45pm</p>	<p>Federal Law Enforcement Response: What Can Federal Agencies Do to Counter the Epidemic? Where Are the Gaps? <i>David Williams, Fmr. Inspector General, U.S. Postal Service (Moderator)</i> <i>Rafael "Rico" Medina, Deputy Chief Data Officer, U.S. Postal Service Office of Inspector General</i> <i>C. Brandon Callahan, Postal Inspector, Prohibited Mail Narcotics, U.S. Postal Inspection Services</i> <i>Lori Rectanus, Director, Physical Infrastructure Team, U.S. Government Accountability Office</i> <i>Roland Suliveras, Director, National Targeting Center, U.S. Customs and Border Patrol</i> <i>Jose Roman, Supervisory Special Agent, Washington Div., U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration</i></p>
<p>Coffee Break</p>	
<p>3:00pm - 4:30pm</p>	<p>Law Enforcement & Private Sector Efforts to Follow the Money & Combat Counterfeits <i>Steve Gurdak, Washington/Baltimore HIDTA - Northern Virginia's Financial Initiative</i> <i>Christopher Ray, Senior Investigator, Wells Fargo</i> <i>John Clark, VP & Chief Security Officer, Pfizer Global Security</i> <i>Daniel Pearson, Strategic Intelligence Manager, Western Union Financial Intelligence Unit</i></p>
<p>4:30pm - 5:00pm</p>	<p>Where do we go from here? (Policy and Strategy) <i>Louise Shelley, Director, TraCCC</i> <i>David Williams, Director, Center for Organizational Performance and Integrity</i></p>