



BRIDGING HORIZONS 2026

DAY 1 BREAKOUT SESSION GUIDE AFTERNOON SESSIONS

Session snapshots to help you choose where to go.

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Tomorrow*

🕒 2:30–3:30 PM

Room
2001

Building Recovery Pathways: Understanding SUD & Prevention in the IDD Community

Hilario Vazquez, Sober State

Explore recovery principles, substance use prevention, and belonging-centered supports for individuals with IDD.

Room
2002

A Place for Everyone: Real Skills and Real Lives

Amy Kaufman, MARS Group

See how small, person-centered community experiences can help individuals grow skills and confidence.

Room
2003

Beyond Compliance: Building a QA System That Works

CVRC Quality Assurance Department

Learn how to create a practical quality assurance approach that is useful, proactive, and sustainable.

Room
2004

Improving Service Delivery for Deaf Plus Individuals

Jade Riggins, VPCI

Examine strategies that bridge communication and service gaps so Deaf Plus individuals can fully participate.

Room
2005

Building Inclusion Through Cultural Diversity: Creating Spaces Where Everyone Belongs

Natasha Ambriz, CVRC

Explore how culturally responsive practices help people feel seen, valued, and included.

Room
2008

Sexual Harassment Training (Managers)

Fred Mora, HR Consortium

Review prevention, reporting, and supervisory responsibilities for respectful workplaces.

Room
2009

Understanding HCBS Modifications

CVRC Federal Compliance Department

Learn when HCBS modifications are appropriate and how to document them clearly.

Room
2016

Mandated to Protect: Upholding Zero Tolerance Through Effective Reporting

Jordan Renteria, CVRC

See how effective reporting supports safety, accountability, and zero-tolerance expectations.

🕒 3:45–4:45 PM

Room
2001

Reporting Matters: Strengthening Timely and Accurate SIR and Incident Reporting

Glenda Zuniga and Bryan Lott, CVRC

Focus on improving the quality, accuracy, and timeliness of incident reporting.

Room
2002

Ready When It Matters: Emergency Preparedness for Providers

Ben Klassen, CVRC

Strengthen provider emergency plans and preparedness responsibilities.

Room
2003

Transporting with Care: Driver Safety for Service Providers

Stacy Francis, CVRC

Review safe transportation practices that support independence and community access.

Room
2004

Partnering for Employment: The Role of the Employment Specialist in Supporting Individual Success

Gabriel Ruiz, CVRC

Learn how employment specialists help people pursue meaningful work and individual success.

Room
2005

Do's and Don'ts of HCBS

CVRC Federal Compliance Department

A second opportunity for practical HCBS guidance and common compliance reminders.

Room
2008

Sexual Harassment Training (DSP)

Fred Mora, HR Consortium

Review respectful workplace expectations, prevention, and reporting responsibilities for DSPs.

Room
2010

Understanding HCBS Modifications

CVRC Federal Compliance Department

Another session covering the essentials of HCBS modifications.

Extended Sessions 3:45–5:45 PM

Room
2011

Before It Gets Worse: Recognizing and Responding to Changes in a Consumer's Condition

Daryl Spring, Health Interactive

Learn to spot early changes in condition and respond before concerns escalate.

Room
2012

Partnering with First Responders for Safer Outcomes

Nicholas Lutton, SCDD

Understand how providers, families, and first responders can work together in crisis situations.

See the breakout agenda pages for full room grid and times.



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