

CNA Executive Session on Policing

Early Warning Systems: What's New? What's Working?

September 24, 2015

- 1:00pm Registration
- 1:30pm **Welcome & Opening Remarks**
David Kaufman, CNA Vice President, Safety and Security, Institute for Public Research
James Coldren, CNA Managing Director (Facilitator)
- 1:45pm **Keynote Address**
Robert Haas, Commissioner, Cambridge Police Department
- 2:15pm Audience Questions
- 2:30pm **Panel: Early Warning Systems: What's New?**
The body of recent research on Early Warning Systems and their effectiveness is small, but there is some new activity in this area, spurred primarily by recent highly publicized events regarding police shootings, deaths in police custody, and concerns about police use of force. This panel will take stock of what existing research tells us about the design and effectiveness of Early Warning Systems, current research endeavors, and what research needs to be done to advance our understanding of how best to make use of such systems.
Panel Speakers include:
 - **Rob Worden**, Director, John F. Finn Institute for Public Safety
 - **Lynn Overmann**, Senior Policy Advisor to the U.S. Chief Technology Officer for Criminal Justice at the White House
 - **Zoë Thorkildsen**, Research Analyst, CNA
- 3:15pm Audience Questions
- 3:30pm BREAK
- 3:45pm **Panel: Early Warning Systems: What's Working?**
Effective utilization of Early Warning Systems (or their approximations) is an emerging art, with effective use depending on such factors as the quality of existing data, agency expertise regarding the development and use of such systems, the extent to which internal consensus on their use exists, and more. This panel will feature presentations from several law enforcement agencies from across the country that have taken a proactive and progressive approach to rethinking EWS as a proactive tool to increase accountability, address training gaps and improve officer performance.
Panel Speakers include:
 - **Kirk Primas**, Assistant Sheriff, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, NV
 - **Ken Miller**, Chief, Greenville Police Department, SC
 - **Julio Thompson**, Assistant Attorney General, VT
- 4:30pm Audience Questions
- 4:45pm **Closing Remarks & Audience Questions**
Ellen Scrivner, Law Enforcement Consultant
- 5:00pm Adjourn
- 5:00 – 7:00pm Reception