**National Emerging Drug Threats in the United States**

**Date:** Tuesday, April 25, 2023  **Time:** 10:00 AM—11:00 AM  
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**Session Overview**

Many of us are familiar with the impact that addictions to various prescription drugs have had on consumers and loved ones across New York, the US and in other countries. This is especially true in the case of opioids and now Fentanyl. The impacts have been particularly severe on the older population. Prescribing patterns, marketing trends, and abuses all impact these problems.

This session will examine the extent of these public health problems and how data is being used to address them including:

- What are the emerging drug threats in the United States in 2023?
- How big a problem is Fentanyl and to what extent is it combined with other drugs?
- How do the threats from drugs like opioids and Fentanyl show up in overdose deaths and in drug seizures by law enforcement?
- What impact did COVID-19 have on law enforcement seizures and on overdose deaths?
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