

Alicia Macklin to Speak at the CHA 2025 Behavioral Health Care Symposium

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Alicia Macklin will present "[The Lanterman-Petris-Short \(LPS\) Act: Myths, Mysteries, and Misunderstandings](#)" on December 9, 2025, at the [California Hospital Association 2025 Behavioral Health Care Symposium](#).

This presentation will be a fast-paced, interactive hour focused on separating fact from fiction. What does the law actually say? And what do we think the law says? After decades of trying to match the law to reality, some intriguing myths, mysteries and misunderstandings have established themselves firmly into our common belief system. Prepare to share examples of things you've been told are true, "but just can't prove," and to disabuse yourself of some things you think are true, "but just aren't sure." And, bring some of the odd, unusual or downright nonsensical things you have heard about involuntary holds over the years.

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