

2ND ANNUAL SUMMIT ON DECRIMINALIZING MENTAL ILLNESS

The Sozosei Foundation is pleased to invite you to our second Annual Sozosei Summit on the Decriminalization of Mental Illness. This year, the Summit will be in-person from December 13-15, 2021 in Philadelphia, PA at the Philadelphia Academy of Fine Arts (PAFA). Portions of the Summit will also be live streamed for those who cannot attend in person. At the Summit, participants will have the opportunity to collaborate, create, and explore pathways to decriminalize mental illness with a particular focus on 988, the new national mental health crisis telephone line, due to go live in July 2022.

THE SUMMIT'S THREE DAYS WILL INCLUDE:

- Monday, December 13, 1 pm – 4 pm ET: **Learning from the Past**
 - Welcome lunch
 - Keynote address and an afternoon dedicated to learning from history including an engaging – and often untold – history of 911, the legacy of racism and discrimination surrounding 911, and how these histories impact 988
 - Cocktails and dinner at the Barnes Museum
- Tuesday, December 14, 8 am – 5 pm ET: **Addressing the Present**
 - A full day of collaboration and the latest updates on 988's implementation across the Nation
 - A deep dive case study on Philadelphia's efforts to implement 988 and decriminalize mental illness
 - Dinner and live music at the historic PAFA building
- Wednesday, December 15, 9 am – 1 pm ET: **Designing for the Future**
 - Morning of breakout sessions to engage in design-thinking to develop and test new ideas and solutions in real time and to gain inspiration from across the globe through PechaKucha presentations.

We will soon follow this save-the-date with a formal invitation and a registration link. In the meantime, we invite you to place holds on your calendar so you can join us and a community of experts to have this urgent conversation.

With the 2021 Summit, we hope to engage participants from a broad range of sectors, spanning different areas of expertise. To that end, if you know someone who you think should attend, please feel encouraged to forward along this save-the-date.

We hope you will join us.

The Sozosei Foundation is the philanthropic arm of Otsuka America Pharmaceutical, Inc. The Foundation's initial priority is to spark creativity, innovation, and collaboration among advocates, reformers, and policymakers to drive evidence-based solutions in order to eliminate the inappropriate use of the criminal legal system for mental health diagnosis and treatment.

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