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## Using Recidivism Reduction Strategies in Probation Supervision

The Risk-Need-Responsivity (RNR) has fostered an emphasis on responding to those factors that are changeable in a person. Two questions are seldom answered: what is our empirical knowledge about how can offenders change? and, what role can probation officers play in this change process? This talk will review the findings used in the RNR Simulation Tool of offender outcomes as well as other studies on offender outcomes. A major emphasis will be to translate the findings for relevance for the field of probation supervision. Emphasis will be on decision rules for assigning offenders of varying risk-need profiles to appropriate treatment and controls to obtain better offender outcomes.

**Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m**  
**SSB Building, Room 118**  
Refreshments will be served

### **Faye Taxman, Guest Speaker**



*Faye S. Taxman, Ph.D. is a University Professor in the Criminology, Law and Society Department and Director of the Advancing Correctional Excellence Center at George Mason University. Dr. Taxman is recognized for her work in the development of the seamless systems of care models that link the criminal justice with other service delivery systems as well as reengineering probation and parole supervision services. She has active "laboratories" with her nearly 20 year agreement with the Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services; she has been a PI of one of the National Institute on Drug Abuse's research centers in the Criminal Justice Drug Abuse Treatment Studies (CJ-DATS) network. She is the co-author (with Steven Belenko) of Implementation of Evidence Based Practices in Community Corrections and Addiction Treatment (Springer, 2011). She has received numerous awards including a Fellow of the Academy of Experimental Criminology and the Distinguished Scholar from the American Society of Criminology's Division on Sentencing and Corrections.*

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