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Federal and state policies distinctly prohibit supports for people who are struggling with addiction and/or are drug involved. In the era of COVID-19 and beyond, calls for decarceration need to be coupled with urgent demands to eliminate barriers to desperately needed housing, food assistance, healthcare, harm reduction services and other overdose prevention resources, and viable employment opportunities.

This is the second in a series of seven discussions that DPA held on COVID-19 and drug policy. These discussions bring together advocates and allies in the justice reform movement to discuss how we can sustain progress, which obstacles still remain, and how we can use the current moment to be more aspirational with our policy agendas.

### **Speakers:**

**Moderators:** Queen Adesuyi and Grant Smith, Drug Policy Alliance

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