

Thomas H. Carr

Thomas H. Carr is the Executive Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy's (ONDCP) Washington/Baltimore High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Program, a position he has held since 1994. He also serves as Executive Director of the University of Baltimore's Center for Drug Policy and Enforcement.

Mr. Carr has designed and implemented more than 150 drug task forces, 18 drug treatment/criminal justice task forces and five drug prevention task forces during the last 23 years. He currently administers 34 drug task forces and a regional intelligence center that supports more than 150 federal, state and local law enforcement agencies in Maryland, Washington, D.C, Virginia, and West Virginia.

As chairperson of the Performance Management Process Committee, Mr. Carr established metrics to measure the efficiency and effectiveness of drug control efforts in the fields of drug law enforcement, criminal intelligence, treatment and prevention for the HIDTA Program. HIDTA's Performance Management System electronically collects outcome performance data from 28 HIDTAs and shares this information with Congress on an annual basis. He was awarded the ONDCP Director's Award for his work in performance management.

In response to the nation's opioid epidemic, Mr. Carr is working with inne other HIDTAs and the Office of National Drug Control Policy on the Heroin Response Strategy (HRS). This strategy resulted in the creation of a public health-public safety partnership supported by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and the hiring of 22 drug intelligence officers and 22 public health analysts. The HRS has led to the interdisciplinary sharing of opioid data between law enforcement and public health agencies.

Mr. Carr spearheaded the development of the ODMAP, a real-time overdose syndromic surveillance system used to identify spikes in fatal and non-fatal overdoses. In July 2017, Mr. Carr and the ODMAP development team received the Special Achievement in GIS award from Esri Corporation.

Mr. Carr is the lead designer for HIDTA's Case Explorer system. Case Explorer is not only a case management system, but is also an event and target deconfliction system in use nationwide by law enforcement agencies at all levels of government.

In addition, Mr. Carr was an antiterrorism instructor for the U.S. Department of State's Antiterrorism Assistance Program. He is the principle author of seven terrorism courses dealing with terrorist financing, intermediate and advanced intelligence, task force management, and criminal investigation that are now delivered worldwide.

Prior to accepting his position with the Washington/Baltimore HIDTA, Mr. Carr was a Lt. Colonel with the Maryland State Police and retired as chief of the Bureau of Drug Enforcement. He graduated with honors from Towson University and was first in his class at the Maryland State Police Academy, class of 1971. He attended the FBI National Academy, the DEA Drug Commanders School and the Federal Executive Institute. He served as an adjunct instructor with the University of Maryland from 1993 to 1999. Mr. Carr and his family reside in Round Hill, Virginia.