

- **The PAARI Leadership Awards:** On behalf of the Police Assisted Addiction and Recovery Initiative (PAARI) board and staff, **Dr. Mary Jo Larson**, Senior Scientist, and **Dr. Traci Green**, Director of the Opioid Policy Research Collaborative (OPRC) and their Responding to Xylazine (R2X) Team at Brandeis University have been chosen as a recipient of the PAARI Leadership Awards at the Tampa River Center in Tampa, Florida on February 25, 2025.

This honor is a testament to the OPRC at Brandeis University and their unwavering commitment, dedication, and leadership in advancing the important work of supporting individuals struggling with substance use disorders through innovative community partnerships.