

## **Brief Biosketch - Roger H. Peters, Ph.D.**

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Dr. Peters serves as Chair and Professor in the Department of Mental Health Law and Policy at the Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute (FMHI), University of South Florida, where he has been a faculty member since 1986. He received his Ph.D. in clinical psychology from the Florida State University, following completion of a pre-doctoral internship at the University of North Carolina, School of Medicine. Dr. Peters has served as Principal Investigator and Director for several grant projects, including the SAMHSA-funded Suncoast Practice and Research Collaborative (SPARC) project. From 1995–2004 Dr. Peters served as the lead consultant to the National GAINS Center for People with Co-occurring Disorders in the Justice System. Dr. Peters has pursued research, consultation, and training initiatives involving substance abuse treatment within the criminal justice system. He has published frequently in major journals, served on federal expert panels, grant and document reviews, national advisory boards and committees, and has served as a consultant to federal and state agencies. Dr. Peters served for four years on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Drug Court Professionals, and for the past seven years has served on the Treatment-Based Drug Court Steering Committee for the Supreme Court of Florida. He recently served as Chair and Co-Editor of the SAMHSA/CSAT Treatment Improvement Protocol (TIP) #44 on “Substance Abuse Treatment for Adults in the Criminal Justice System”. On March 20, 2007, Dr. Peters provided testimony to the U.S. House Judiciary Committee on the "Second Chance Act of 2007" legislation.