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Meet The Member

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Ms. Johnson first joined the Missouri Department of Mental Health in 2019, where she served as Director of Integrated Care for two years before becoming Deputy



Director of Community Operations. Prior to that, she held various direct care and administrative roles in the behavioral health community safety net system.

Ms. Johnson obtained Bachelor's degrees in Psychology and Criminology from Missouri State University and her Master's degree in Forensic Psychology from the Chicago School of Professional Psychology.

NASADAD News

2024 NASADAD National Prevention Network Conference

SHINING A LIGHT ON PREVENTION CONNECTING RESEARCH, PRACTICE, ININVATIC

August 13-15, 2024 Phoenix, AZ

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Registration Now Open

The NASADAD National Prevention Network (NPN) Conference highlights the latest research in the substance use prevention field. It provides a forum for prevention professionals, coalition leaders, researchers, and federal partners to share research, best practices and promising evaluation results for the purpose of integrating research into prevention practice.

The NPN Conference will take place August 13-15 in Phoenix, Arizona, at the Arizona Grand Resort. This year's theme is: *Shining a Light on Prevention: Connecting Research, Practice, Innovation, and Equity.*

Register for the conference here: <u>https://npnconference.org/registration/</u>.

Capitol Hill Happenings

Bipartisan Group of Representatives Send Dear Colleague Letter on NIDA and NIAAA Funding for Fiscal Year 2025

On April 29, a bipartisan group of representatives sent a Dear Colleague letter to the House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, Chairman Representative Aderholt (R-AL-4) and Ranking Member Representative DeLauro (D-CT-3) seeking funding for the National Institutes of Health's (NIH) National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) and National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025. Specifically, the letter requests "... at least \$1,787,397,125 for NIDA and at least \$639,966,850 for NIAAA for FY 2025..." to continue to fund critical research into the prevention and treatment of substance use disorder (SUD). This Dear Colleague letter was led by Representative Salinas (D-OR-6), with Representatives Tonko (D-NY-20) and Fitzpatrick (R-PA-1) serving as lead co-signers.

The letter can be downloaded <u>here</u>.

Around the Agencies

SAMHSA National Prevention Week Virtual Kickoff Celebration Event

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) is hosting



a <u>virtual celebration event to kick off National Prevention Week</u> featuring SAMHSA leadership, grantees, FentAlert Challenge winners, and other special guests. This virtual celebration is on May 13, at 2:00 pm ET. The event will highlight the latest innovations in prevention science and prevention-related activities stemming from various SAMHSA initiatives. Remarks will be made by Dr. Miriam Delphin-Rittmon, Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use, and CAPT Christopher Jones, Director, SAMHSA Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP), who will outline SAMHSA's prevention priorities and opportunities for involvement. Registration is required.

Additional information on National Prevention Week can be found on SAMHSA's webpage, <u>here</u>.

NIDA Notice of Special Interest: Telehealth Strategies for Individuals with HIV and Substance Use Disorders

The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) announced a Notice of Special Interest (NOSI) for <u>Telehealth Strategies for Individuals with HIV and Substance Use Disorders</u>. Specifically, NIDA is seeking research "... to explore and develop telehealth methods and strategies for diagnosis, prevention, treatment, and population analysis in individuals living with HIV and substance use disorder." Studies must evaluate the

feasibility, implementation, effectiveness, acceptance, and utilization of specific telehealth strategies in people with HIV and substance use disorder (SUD). Possible research areas include:

- "Evaluation and development of remote screening strategies, utilizing telehealth platforms, for individuals with HIV and SUDs in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Evaluation and development of remote screening strategies, utilizing telehealth platforms with multiple languages, for individuals with HIV and SUDs in rural, urban and suburban locations, in the criminal justice system, in the Native-American population, in disenfranchised minorities, in the Northern and Southern border locations of the US, in schools and colleges, etc.
- Optimization of existing, and development of novel remote-delivery therapeutic strategies, including but not limited to E-prescribe, Pro-Active Messages, Time-Life Follow Back, Cotinine monitoring, Counseling, Gender-Oriented, etc.
- Remote, telehealth-mediated implementation of therapeutic strategies for HIV and SUDs.
- Methods to promote or improve the systematic uptake of telehealth and other remote strategies in individuals with HIV and SUDs.
- Evaluation of efficacy, effectiveness, utilization, sustainability and costeffectiveness of these strategies for individuals living with HIV and SUDs."

Applications are due September 7, 2024. Additional information can be found<u>here</u>.

New CDC-Funded Campaign: Start with Hope



The Ad Council, in partnership with

the National Council for Mental Wellbeing and Shatterproof, recently launched a new campaign, <u>Start With Hope</u>. The campaign aims to inspire individuals at risk or living with a substance use disorder (SUD) to begin their journey to recovery by connecting them with harm reduction and treatment resources. The new campaign features individuals with lived experience who recount the stories of their different paths to recovery, the barriers they encountered, and the strategies and resources that helped them along the way. The campaign is designed for all adults living with or at-risk for developing SUD but focuses on supporting marginalized communities who face greater barriers to accessing substance use treatment. The campaign is funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

The Ad Council's press release announcing the new campaign can be found here.

SAMHSA Releases 2021-2022 Behavioral Health Barometers

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) recently released a series of resources on <u>Behavioral Health Barometers, Region 1-10, Volume 7:</u> <u>Indicators as Measured in the 2021-2022 National Surveys on Drug Use and Health</u>. Each of these reports outlines the latest State-level data on substance use and mental health across the ten SAMHSA regions based on the findings from the 2021 and 2022 <u>National Surveys on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH)</u>. Specifically, each resource offers an analysis of the substance use and mental health indicators measured in NSDUH for each of the ten regions, as well as a comparison to national statistics.

The reports can be downloaded individually, here.

Research Roundup

CDC Study on Cigarette Smoking Among Pregnant Women During the Perinatal Period

Researchers from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recently published a study in Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report on <u>Cigarette</u> Smoking Among Pregnant Women During the Perinatal Period: Prevalence and Health Care Provider Inquiries — Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System, <u>United States, 2021</u>. The study utilized data from CDC's 2021 Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring

System (PRAMS) of more than 36,000 women across the country to estimate the prevalence of smoking before, during, and after pregnancy, as well as whether health care providers offered pregnant women assistance with smoking cessation throughout their pregnancy.



Ultimately, the study found that opportunities remain for clinicians to help pregnant and postpartum women quit smoking. Key findings include:

- "In 2021, the prevalence of cigarette smoking was 12.1% before pregnancy, 5.4% during pregnancy, and 7.2% during the postpartum period.
- In 2021, 56.1% of women who smoked before pregnancy quit smoking while pregnant.
- Among women with a health care visit during the associated period, the percentage of women who reported that a health care provider asked about smoking was 73.7% at any health care visit before pregnancy, 93.7% at any prenatal care visit, and 57.3% at a postpartum checkup."

The researchers call for routine assessments of smoking among pregnant and postpartum women to guide the development of evidence-based tobacco control measures.

Webinars to Watch

Central East PTTC Webinar Series: Stigma and Substance Use Prevention

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)-funded <u>Central East Prevention Technology Transfer Center (PTTC</u>) is hosting a two-part webinar series on *Stigma and Substance Use Prevention*. This no-cost webinar series will examine stigma related to substance use and its impact on substance use prevention through research and lived experience, including defining stigma, identifying the many forms that stigma may manifest in people who use drugs, and what prevention stakeholders can do to address it and encourage prevention. Details on the two webinars' topics and times can be found below:

Stigma and Substance Use Prevention Part 1: The Impacts of Stigma

- May 14, at 1:00 pm ET
- Learning Objectives:
 - "Define stigma conceptually and from a recovered person's perspective
 - Identify the various forms of stigma and their effects on our ability to recover
 - Recognize the impact of stigma on prevention outcomes
 - Describe stigma's ongoing impact on the road to recovery"

<u>Stigma and Substance Use Prevention Part 2: What Prevention Professionals and Others</u> <u>Can Do</u>

- May 16, at 1:00 pm ET
- Learning objectives:
 - "Describe strategies for overcoming stigma when working with clients who use substances
 - Identify strategies to avoid stigma within prevention organizations
 - Recognize how prevention can work with collaborative partners and across the behavioral health continuum to address stigma
 - Assess opportunities to address stigma in the community and across society"

Registration is required for both.

SAMHSA CFRI Webinar: BestPractices4Data: Sharing

Innovations and Best Practices for Grantees, from Grantees

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)-funded Center for Financing



Reform and Innovation (CFRI) is hosting a webinar on <u>BestPractices4Data: Sharing</u> <u>Innovation and Best Practices for Grantees</u>, from Grantees. This no-cost webinar is on June 6, at 2:00 pm ET. The webinar will offer lessons from the soon-to-be-released BestPractices4Data: Sharing Innovation and Best Practices for Grantees, from Grantees, a series of six issue briefs developed by CFRI through listening sessions with grantees and government project officers that highlight strategies grantees are using to optimize data collection processes. BestPractices4Data Series issue brief topics include:

- Incorporate Technology for Data Collection and Reporting
- Use Data to Monitor Progress and Tell Your Agency Story
- Establish Data Protocols to Optimize Data Collection
- Hire Effectively for Data Roles
- Manage Data Collection for Multiple SAMHSA Grants
- Understand Unique Data Concerns When Working with Tribes

Registration is required.

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