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DC Update: NASADAD Holds Annual Meeting in Bethesda, MD, Report & Webinar on Revised Regulations for Opioid Treatment Programs, Case Study on Postpartum OUD Care Transitions for Mother and Infant, and More.

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NASADAD News

NASADAD Holds Annual Meeting in Bethesda, MD

On Wednesday, June 3rd, NASADAD concluded its Annual Meeting held in Bethesda, Maryland that saw participation from 48 States, 4 Pacific Jurisdictions, and excellent representation from State Directors, treatment coordinators, prevention coordinators, women's services leads, State Opioid Treatment Authorities and others. The membership shared best practices, made connections, and heard from Melissa Harris from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) regarding the recently released regulation on the community engagement provision within H.R. 1. We appreciate the many members that participated and missed those unable to attend.



[Pictured: NASADAD President Sara Goldsby, South Carolina]

NASADAD attends Capitol Hill Briefing on Medications for Opioid Use Disorders

On Thursday, June 4th, Robert Morrison, NASADAD Executive Director, attended a Capitol Hill Briefing sponsored by the Addiction Treatment and Recovery (ATR) Caucus titled *Expanding Access to Medication for Opioid Use Disorder: Pathways, Barriers, and Policy Solutions*. The briefing featured remarks by Rep. Paul Tonko (N.Y.), Rep. Gabe Amo (R.I.), and Rep. Madeleine Dean (PA). The briefing then turned to a panel from Brown University in Rhode Island to talk about access to medications for opioid use disorders, potential policy pathways to enhance access, and a review of the impact of private equity ownership of opioid treatment programs (OTPS) on access and quality.

NASADAD Attends Capitol Hill Reception Celebrating 50th Anniversary of Treatment Communities of America (TCA)

On June 3rd, Robert Morrison, NASADAD Executive Director, had the privilege of attending a reception on Capitol Hill celebrating the 50th anniversary of Treatment Communities of America (TCA). Congressman Paul Tonko (N.Y.), Senator Cory Booker (N.J.) served as two of the speakers. Other presenters reviewed the history of TCA, important milestones in substance use disorder policy, and future goals. The Executive Director of TCA is Pat Clay and the President of the Board of Directors is Seep Varma. The celebration attracted key leaders in the addiction field including Paul Samuels and Gab de la Gueronniere of the Legal Action Center (LAC), John Cappola former leader of the New York Providers Association, Terrence Walton, Executive Director of NAADAC, Dr. Sushma Taylor of Center Point, and many others.

[Pictured: Seep Varma, Pat Clay, and Robert Morrison]



Around the Agencies

SAMHSA Report & Webinar: Revised Regulations for Opioid Treatment Programs

In May of 2026, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Center for Financing Reform and Innovation (CFRI) released a report on [*“Revised Regulations for Opioid Treatment Programs: Establishing a Baseline to Measure Progress Over Time.”*](#) This report and webinar examine the extent to which states and opioid treatment programs (OTPs) adopted changes following the revisions to 42 CFR part 8. Specifically, the report details the ways in which updated regulations promote increased access to evidence-based medications for opioid use disorder, greater retention in care by promoting practitioners' professional judgment in providing patient-centered care, and reducing barriers to services.

The report can be accessed [here](#).

The webinar can be accessed [here](#).

Research Round-Up

SAMHSA Case Study: Postpartum OUD Care Transitions for Mother and Infant



Substance Abuse and Mental Health
Services Administration

In June of 2026, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) issued a new case study guide on "[Healthy Starts: Postpartum OUD Care Transitions for Mother and Infant](#)." This guide highlights best practices for managing OUD during and after pregnancy and summarizes current evidence on treating perinatal substance use disorder. Specifically, this report presents a new program as a case study and provides practical guidance for healthcare providers and care teams regarding collaborative perinatal care and evidence-based strategies to support recovery, ensure continuity of care, and promote positive health outcomes for mothers and infants.

The report can be accessed [here](#).

Webinars to Watch

HRSA Workshop: Healthy Grants Workshop

The Health Resources and Services Administration is hosting two presentations as part of its [2026 Healthy Grants Workshop](#) series. This no-cost workshop will be held on June 10 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm ET. The first session, Allowable and Unallowable Costs, will take place from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm ET and is intended for new recipients or those seeking a refresher on 2 CFR 200.403. The second session, Best Practices for Budgeting and Rebudgeting, is designed for advanced participants but is open to all. This session will address preparing line-item budgets and budget justifications, including personnel changes, budget adjustments, and rebudgeting requirements. It will also explore cost principles and provide illustrative examples of common budgeting and rebudgeting errors and effective practices.

Registration is available [here](#).

SAHMSA Webinar: Addressing Cannabis Use Disorder in Primary Care Settings—A Lifespan Approach



Substance Abuse and Mental Health
Services Administration

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) is hosting a webinar on "[Addressing Cannabis Use Disorder in Primary Care Settings—A Lifespan Approach Advisory: Dissemination Webinar](#)." This no-cost webinar will be held on June 11 at 1:30 pm ET. This webinar is based on SAMHSA's recently released [Advisory: Addressing Cannabis Use Disorder in Primary Care Settings—A Lifespan Approach](#). Specifically, Dr. Alan J. Budney, a clinical psychologist and Professor at Dartmouth's Center for Technology and Behavioral Health, will address effective screening and patient education strategies, appropriate timing for referral to specialty treatment, and key considerations across adolescence, young adulthood, middle adulthood, pregnancy, and older adulthood.

Registration is available [here](#).



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