

Bi-Weekly eblast

VA Interprofessional Advanced Fellowship in Addiction Treatment
National Coordinating Center

A collection of addiction related news, links, and resources compiled by the
**VA Interprofessional Advanced Fellowship in Addiction Treatment Coordinating
Center**

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Updates & Resources

The fellows of the [VA Interprofessional Advanced Fellowship in Addiction Treatment](#) will be presenting their work in a 2 part series on May 5 and 19 at 2pm ET. Please see above link for presentation topics and call information.

VA Insider: The work of Addiction Treatment Fellow **Dr. Christopher Holland-Deguire** supporting LGBTQ Veterans and employees was highlighted in the [VA Insider](#).

PCSS's x-waiver training for medical students has been updated. Click the [link](#) for more information on the 8-hour MAT Waiver Training – Medical Students 2021.

A **Half & Half Medication for Opioid Use Disorder Waiver Training** will be held on [March 26, 2021](#) from 2pm to 6:30pm ET. Participants complete a 4-hour remote training and receive an email link to complete an additional 4 hours online. To receive credit, attendees must attend the entire training and have a working webcam. For registration details email X-WaiverTraining@va.gov. Registration Link - <https://vhacdwwweb05.vha.med.va.gov/surveys/?s=CYE9NLNHJL>

VA SUD-Related Newsletter Links:

- [March 16](#) and [March 23](#) OMHSP Developmental Opportunities newsletter
- [March 2021 OMHSP Mental Notes](#)
- [March 2021 VHA Tobacco & Health Newsletter](#)
- [March 2021 VA HSR&D Veterans' Perspectives](#)- VEB Brings Lived Experience to OUD Treatment Implementation

The VA [Substance Use Disorder Resource Directory](#) includes key Sharepoint sites, points of contact, mail groups, conference calls, and clinical and training resources.

VA SUD COVID-19 Information Links

[COVID-19 Vaccine Training: General Overview of Immunization Best Practices for Health Care Providers](#): a new, on-demand, self-paced module for health care providers who will be administering the COVID-19 vaccine.

- [COVID-19 Management of SUD](#)
- [SUD Sharepoint COVID Folder](#)
- [VHA's official COVID-19 site](#)
- [COVID-19 Comprehensive Education and Resource Catalog](#)
- [ORD Resources on COVID-19](#)
- [COVID training](#) (outside VA firewall)
- [COVID-19 training for Mental Health](#)
 - [Managing Substance Use During the Coronavirus Pandemic](#)
 - [Smoking and the Coronavirus Pandemic](#)
- [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\) training site](#)

Upcoming Trainings

March – May, 2021	Leadership Webinar: Virtual Aspiring Supervisor Program (vASP)
April 2021, Noon ET	National Pain VA-Extension of Community Health Outcomes: Part II April 8: Perioperative Naltrexone Pathways April 15: Opioid Use Disorder: Surgery and Acute Pain Management April 22: Reiki and Healing Touch April 29: Sleep Care
April 8, 1pm	Clearing the Smoke: Cannabis and Mental Health (Part 1)
April 15, 1pm	Clearing the Smoke: Cannabis and Mental Health (Part 2)
July 8, Noon ET	National Pain VA-Extension of Community of Health Outcomes: Part III
Enduring	Treating Pain and Substance Use Disorders during COVID-19
On Demand	Opioid Overdose Education and Naloxone Distribution
On Demand	Racial Inequities in Substance Use
On Demand	Recent PCSS webinars now available
On Demand	Addressing the Opioid Overdose Epidemic in the Emergency Department (Web Based) The Best SUD Care Anywhere! Series
Other	SCOUTT Calendar of Webinars SUD Sharepoint Training Resources

Publications of Interest

Marianne Pugatch, Grace Chang, Deborah Garnick, Mary Brolin, **Deborah Brief**, Christopher Miller, Jerry Fleming, Daryl Blaney, Brian Harward, Dominic Hodgkin. [Rates and predictors of brief intervention for women veterans returning from recent wars: Examining gaps in service delivery for unhealthy alcohol use.](#) *Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment*, Volume 123, 2021.

Dr. Marianne Pugatch is an Addiction Treatment Fellowship Alumni and Dr. Deborah Brief is an Addiction Treatment Fellowship Co-Director, both from the Boston site.

Panza K.E., Kline A.C., Norman G.J., Pitts M., & Norman S.B. (2021). [Subgroups of comorbid PTSD and AUD in U.S. military Veterans predict differential responsiveness to two integrated treatments: A latent class analysis.](#) *Journal of Psychiatric Research*, 137, 342-350.

Dr. Kaitlyn Panza and Dr. Alexander Kline are second year Addiction Treatment Fellows from the San Diego site.

Na, P.J., Tsai, J., **Hill, M.L.**, Nichter, B., Norman, S.B., Southwick, S.M., & Pietrzak, R.H. (in press). [Prevalence, risk and protective factors associated with suicidal ideation during the COVID-19 pandemic in U.S. military veterans with pre-existing psychiatric conditions.](#) *Journal of Psychiatric Research*, 137, 351-359.

Dr. Melanie Hill is a first year Addiction Treatment Fellow from the San Diego site.

Funding Opportunities

[Analgesic, Anesthetic and Addiction Clinical Trial Translations, Innovations, Opportunities, and Networks \(ACTION\) \(U01\) Clinical Trials Not Allowed](#); Food and Drug Administration; Application Receipt Date: May 24, 2021

[Provider's Clinical Support System – Universities](#); SAMHSA; Application Due Date: April 20, 2021

[Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment](#); SAMHSA; Application Due Date: April 19, 2021

Job Opportunities

[Physician – Addiction Medicine](#) – Hampton, VA

[Physician – MAT](#) – Memphis, TN

[Social Worker – Substance Disorder Treatment Program \(SDTP\)](#) – Houston, TX

[Psychologist \(Domiciliary Clinical and Counseling\)](#) – Chillicothe, OH

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This 2-year fellowship provides interdisciplinary research, clinical, and educational training to prepare physician, post-doctoral, and post-masters level fellows as leaders in the field of addiction treatment. Mentors of national stature provide guidance to fellows in rich learning environments at one of seven VA sites (Boston, MA; Madison, WI; Dallas, TX; Pittsburgh, PA; San Antonio, TX; San Diego, CA; West Haven, CT). Visit our websites to learn more.

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