



Interdisciplinary Leaders in
Substance Use Education,
Research, Care and Policy

Call for Abstracts

AMERSA at 41:

Reducing the Societal Impact of Alcohol and Drugs

The 41st AMERSA Annual National Conference will be held
November 2-4, 2017 at the Marriott-Georgetown, Washington, DC

Book your hotel now at the Marriott-Georgetown, Washington, DC

AMERSA2017MarriottHotel



Facebook



Twitter

Important Deadlines

May 12, 2017..... Conference Travel Award applications [Conference Travel Awards 2017](#)

May 19, 2017.....Abstracts and Workshops [Call for Abstracts 2017](#)
[Call for Workshops 2017](#)

Please go to www.amersa.org for instructions on all award nominations and submissions.

2017 Program Highlights

We have planned an exciting conference featuring oral abstract and poster sessions, skill-focused workshops, one-on-one career mentoring, and plenary sessions addressing issues of national and international importance. Sessions include:

- **Plenary Session: *Addiction Treatment and Stigma***
- **Megan Comfort, PhD** - Research Triangle Institute (RTI) International's Behavioral Health and Criminal Justice Research Division, **Josiah D. Rich, MD, MPH** - The Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University, and **Emily Wang, MD, MAS** - Yale School of Medicine and the Transitions Clinic Network, will participate in a Panel Session on - *Addiction Treatment for Incarcerated Populations (including Youth)*
- **Jessie M. Gaeta, MD** - Boston Health Care for the Homeless Program and Boston University School of Medicine, will speak in a plenary session on - *Harm Reduction in U.S.: Next Steps*
- **Kimber Richter, PhD, MPH** - University of Kansas Medical Center, will moderate a Spicy Debate between **Ronald Bayer, PhD** – Columbia University, Mailman School of Public Health, and **Scott Burris, JD** – Temple University, Beasley School of Law, who will debate - *The Positive Role of Stigma for Tobacco Cessation: Implications for Marijuana Policy*
- **Sidney H. Schnoll, MD, PhD** - Pinney Associates, Inc., will moderate a Panel Session to include **Richard C. Dart, MD, PhD** – University of Colorado and the Rocky Mountain Poison and Drug Center, **Nabarun Dasgupta, MPH, PhD** - University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill and Epidemico, and **Scott Novak, PhD** – RTI International on *Myths & Realities of the Opioid Epidemic*
- **Vice Admiral Vivek H. Murthy, MD, MBA** – **United States Surgeon General, Special Guest (Invited)** is invited to speak on - *Facing Addiction in America: The Surgeon General Reports on Alcohol, Drugs, and Health*
- **2017 Betty Ford Award Recipient** – **Colleen Labelle, MSN, RN-BC, CARN**- Boston Medical Center
- **2017 John P. McGovern Award Recipient** – **Patrick G. O'Connor, MD, MPH** - Yale University School of Medicine

Call for Abstracts and Workshops

ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS of recent substance use-related research and education innovations in one of three categories:

1. **Research** – These abstracts report on original research and must include methods, data analyses, and results.
2. **Curricula, Quality Improvement, and Program Innovations** – These abstracts report on evaluations of innovative programs, education curricula and/or quality improvement initiatives and must include methods, data analyses, and results.
3. **Clinical Case Presentations** – These abstracts describe an illustrative case that reinforces specific learning objectives for substance use and education.

WORKSHOP SUBMISSIONS that focus on building specific skills in clinical practice, education, research, community action, or policy/advocacy related to substance use. The most desirable workshop sessions will focus on a set of concrete skills or techniques that can be attained and practiced by participants in 90 minutes. Workshop proposals from presenters trained in any discipline will be welcome.

Please go to www.amersa.org for detailed online submission and instructions.

Deadline for submission - May 19, 2017

Conference Travel Awards

Up to 15 full or partial awards* (including travel, hotel accommodations, and conference registration) are available to attend the 2017 AMERSA National Conference. NIDA has funded this program to accomplish specific goals: to include educators, researchers and clinicians from underserved racial/ethnic groups, to increase representation from diverse professions in AMERSA, and to facilitate dissemination of the knowledge acquired to broader audiences. (Previous travel award recipients may apply for a second year of funding and WILL be expected to submit proposals.) **(*subject to NIDA approved funding)**

Apply online at [Conference Travel Awards 2017](#)

Deadline for submission - May 12, 2017

Applicants must be:

- (a) Health professional educators, researchers and clinicians in practice or in training (e.g., doctoral students)
- (b) Conducting drug and/or alcohol-related education, training, clinical practice and/or research

Preference will be given to:

- (a) Health professionals from minority or underrepresented backgrounds, including Latinos, African Americans, women, LGBTQ individuals, and/or those who are from traditionally minority institutions
- (b) Members of health professions that AMERSA is targeting for increased participation (for example, but not limited to: nursing, social work, psychology, pharmacology, dentistry, allied health professions)
- (c) Individuals with the ability to disseminate knowledge and skills from the national meeting to their students or trainees
- (d) Individuals who submit an abstract, poster or workshop presentation – (Travel award recipients who apply for a second year of funding will be expected to submit proposals)
- (e) Individuals involved in research, education and/or clinical care with underserved populations, particularly Latinos, African Americans, or women.

**subject to approved NIDA funding*

If you have any questions – please contact
evelyn@amersa.org or
doreen@amersa.org



Interdisciplinary Leaders in
Substance Use Education,
Research, Care and Policy