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33rd Annual National Conference at a Glance

Wednesday, November 4, 2009
6:00 - 9:00 pm  AMERSA Executive Committee Meeting

Thursday, November 5, 2009
7:00 - 8:45 am  Conference Registration
8:45 - 9:00 am  Welcome and Opening Remarks
9:00 - 10:00 am  Plenary Session - Addiction and its Treatment During National Economic Upheavals
  Presented by: Paul M. Roman, PhD, Distinguished Research Professor – University of Georgia
10:15 – 11:15 am  Plenary Session – A Spicy Debate – Should we Lower the Drinking Age to 18?
  Presented by: John M. McCardell Jr., PhD, President Emeritus – Middlebury College, and David L. Rosenbloom, PhD, President and Chief Executive Officer - The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA)
11:30 - 2:00 pm  Program Committee Meeting #1
12:00 - 2:00 pm  Past Presidents’ Council Meeting
2:15 - 3:15 pm  Betty Ford Award Plenary Session - The Link between Trauma and Substance Abuse
  Lisa M. Najavits, PhD, Professor of Psychiatry - Boston University School of Medicine
3:15 - 3:30 pm  Break
3:30 - 5:00 pm  Skills-Based Workshops - Session #1
5:00 - 6:00 pm  New Member/First Time Attendee Orientation
6:00 - 7:30 pm  Welcome Reception and Scientific Poster Session (All are welcome!)
7:30 - 8:30 pm  12-Step Meeting

Friday, November 6, 2009
7:30 - 8:30 am  Breakfast Meeting: Health Care Reform
  Presented by: Paul N. Samuels, JD, Director/President – Legal Action Center
8:45 - 9:45 am  John P. McGovern Award Plenary Session - Addiction Science for Non-Scientists
  Carlton K. Erickson, PhD, Professor – University of Texas at Austin
10:00 - 11:00 am  Plenary Session - Responding to Substance Abuse in Older Adults
  Presented by: Frederick C. Blow, PhD, Professor and Director – University of Michigan Psychiatry
11:00 - 11:15 am  Break
30th Annual National Conference at a Glance

11:15 - 12:45 pm  
Plenary Panel Session – A Spicy Debate – Lessons from the CSAT State SBIRT Initiatives: What Have we Learned about Implementation and Sustainability?  
Presented by: Thomas F. Babor, PhD, MPH, Professor and Chairman, Department of Community Medicine and Health Care – University of Connecticut School of Medicine, Jeremy W. Bray, PhD, Fellow in Health Economics – RTI International, and Frances K. Del Boca, PhD, Assistant Professor – University of Connecticut Health Center  
Commentator: H. Westley Clark, MD, JD, MPH, CAS, FASAM, Director – Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, US Department of Health and Human Services

1:00 – 2:00 pm  
Public Policy Luncheon - Comparative Effectiveness Research in Addiction Treatment  
Presented by: Betty Tai, PhD, Director of the Center of Clinical Trials Network - National Institute on Drug Abuse, National Institutes of Health

2:15 - 3:45 pm  
Skills-Based Workshops - Session #2

4:00 - 5:00 pm  
Special Interest Groups Convene and Task Force Meetings

6:00 - 8:30 pm  
Awards Dinner and Auction

8:30 - 9:30 pm  
12-Step Meeting

Saturday, November 7, 2009

6:30 - 7:30 am  
Annual Fun Run-Walk

7:30 - 8:30 am  
Breakfast Meeting: Report from a Betty Ford Institute consensus conference: Model Family Medicine and Internal Medicine Substance Abuse Curricula (Richard Saitz, MD, MPH and J. Paul Seale, MD)

8:45 - 10:00 am  
Plenary Session - Presentation of Awards and Best Abstracts

10:15 - 12:00 pm  
Scientific Research, Programmatic and Curricula Evaluation Presentations

12:15 - 2:00 pm  
Program Committee Meeting #2

2:00 - 2:30 pm  
Business Meeting

Adjourn
AMERSA’s Mission

AMERSA, founded in 1976, is a multidisciplinary organization of health care professionals dedicated to improving education in the care of individuals with substance abuse problems. AMERSA’s mission is to:

• Provide leadership and improve training for all health professionals in the management of problems related to alcohol, tobacco and other drugs
• Disseminate state-of-the-art scientific information about substance abuse education and research through the National AMERSA Conference and the organization’s journal, Substance Abuse
• Provide mentoring for health care professionals interested in becoming teachers, clinicians, and researchers
• Promote cultural competence and inclusiveness among health care professionals in their work with individuals affected by alcohol, tobacco and other drug problems
• Promote collaboration among multiple professions including, but not limited to, medicine, nursing, social work, psychology, dentistry, pharmacology, public health, and allied health
• Build a national network of substance abuse experts who can advise local, national, and international organizations on health professional substance abuse education

An Invitation from the Program Committee

It gives us great pleasure to invite you to our 33rd annual national conference. The Program Committee has worked hard to assure a stimulating and lively intellectual experience. This year’s meeting will reflect AMERSA’s interdisciplinary strengths and the commitment to disseminate the latest developments in substance abuse education, prevention, treatment and research, with special plenaries addressing contemporary policy issues surrounding addiction and health care reform, lowering the drinking age, and historical trends during economic downturns.

The DoubleTree Hotel, in Bethesda, MD offers the ideal setting for the meeting, with commodious rooms, outstanding service and a trendy location in Bethesda. The sessions and the venue promise to be first-rate.

We also invite interested conference attendees to participate in the two Program Committee meetings, scheduled over lunch on Friday and Saturday, and help set the stage for the 2010 AMERSA National Conference. This is your chance to assure next year’s meeting reflects your interests.

We are eager to meet you at the Welcome Reception on Thursday evening and formally welcome you to the AMERSA National Conference!

Stefan G. Kertesz, MD and Mary Jo Larson, PhD, MPA
Co-Chairs, 2009 Program Committee

Conference Site

The Doubletree Hotel Bethesda located at 8120 Wisconsin Avenue in the heart of the trendy downtown Bethesda, MD shopping, restaurant and entertainment district. Our suburban Maryland hotel is 30-45 minutes from all three Washington, DC airports: Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport (DCA), Dulles International Airport (IAD), and Baltimore-Washington International Airport (BWI). We are the closest full-service hotel to National Institutes of Health (NIH) and Bethesda Naval Medical Center, and are convenient to the Capital Beltway and the I-270 Technology Corridor. Washington D.C. attractions like the Smithsonian Institute, National Zoo, Washington Monument and U.S. Capital are accessible via the nearby Medical Center Metro Stations, to which the hotel runs a regular shuttle service.

Registration and Accommodations

A special rate of $179 per night for single or double occupancy is being offered. Reservations can be made by calling the Doubletree Hotel Bethesda at (301) 652-2000. When making your reservations, indicate that you would like to reserve a room in the AMERSA block. A one night’s deposit is required with your room reservation. Check in time is 4:00 pm and check out time is noon. The deadline for hotel reservations is October 10, 2009. Please be sure to book your reservations early, these rooms will sell out quickly! After October 10th, reservations will be accepted on a space and rate available basis. The hotel facilities, guest rooms, common areas and transportation services are in compliance with the public accommodation requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.
Conference Objectives
At the end of this conference participants should be able to:
• Demonstrate innovative teaching and clinical skills
• Discuss scientific advances in prevention and treatment of addiction
• Continue collaboration and mentoring relationships with professional colleagues
• Discuss current interventions to promote wide-spread adoption of addiction screening and brief intervention in medical settings

Continuing Education Credits
Physicians
This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint sponsorship of the Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University and AMERSA. The Alpert Medical School is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The Alpert Medical School designates this educational activity for a maximum of 16.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.
(November 5 - 5.5, November 6 - 7.0, November 7 - 4.0).

Nurses
Nursing continuing education contact hours have been applied for through the George Washington University Hospital which is approved as a provider of continuing education in nursing by the Virginia Nurses Association which is accredited as an approver of continuing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center’s Commission on Accreditation.

Social Workers
Social Worker continuing education contact hours have been applied for through the State of Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapy Board.

Poster Presentations
A poster reception will be held on Thursday, November 5, from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. Authors will be available to talk with other attendees, share specifics about methodology and findings, and receive constructive feedback. Hors d’oeuvres will be served. Poster topics include:
• An Outpatient Drug Testing Program for Adolescents
• Phenobarbital versus Lorazepam for Alcohol Withdrawal Syndrome: A Retrospective Study
• Alcohol and Medication Use in Elder Self-Neglect
• Developing and Evaluating SMaRT: SBIRT Medical and Residency Training in Medical Residency Programs in Pennsylvania
• An Analysis of Third Year Medical Student’s Perceived Self-Efficacy to Counsel and Screen for Alcohol Use among Pregnant Women
• Implementation Lessons Learned: Experience of the Pennsylvania Screening and Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment Project (PA SBIRT)

• Barriers to Incorporating Substance Abuse Education into Generalist Residency Training
• Institutional Denial or Minimization: Substance Abuse Training in Social Work Licensure and Continuing Education Requirements
• Evaluating the Impact on Black Students of a Required Urban Focused Substance Abuse Course
• Depressive Symptoms Among Opiate-Dependent Persons Initiating Buprenorphine/Naloxone
• Buprenorphine: A Guide for Nurses
• Expressive Writing for Drug Dependent Women with Co-Morbid Posttraumatic Stress Disorder
• Treatment Utilization for Posttraumatic Stress Disorder in a United States Community Sample with and without Substance Use Disorder
• The Impact of Opiate Use, Cocaine Use, and Methadone Treatment on Renal Function
• Implementing Chronic Disease Management for Addiction: The Addiction Health Evaluation and Disease management (AHEAD) Model
• Implementation and Evaluation of a Hospital-Based Tobacco Treatment Service
• Substance Use and Parenting Competence among African American Mothers of Adolescents

Scientific Research and Program and Curricula Evaluation Presentations
These presentations will discuss state-of-the-art approaches to substance abuse prevention, treatment, and health professions education. Abstract topics include:
• The Impact of Online Harm Reduction Training
• Opiate Overdose Prevention Training and Resource Dissemination with Alcohol and Drug Treatment Providers in Correctional Facilities
• Building the Capacity of Drug & Alcohol Treatment Providers to Practice Overdose Prevention
• How Does Non-Physician Screening for Unhealthy Alcohol and Drug Use Affect Primary Care Provider Practice?
• A Computerized SBIRT System to Improve Brief Counseling for Adolescent Substance Use in Primary Care
• Non-Medical Use of Prescription Drugs among US-born and Immigrant Hispanics
• The Impact of Buprenorphine on Medicaid-Funded Treatment for Opioid Addiction
• Change Talk during Brief Motivational Intervention: Towards or away from Drinking
• Development of a One-Stop Multidisciplinary SBIRT Resource Website
• Impact of an Urban Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) Program
• Evaluation of a Computerized Alcohol Screening Instrument in an Urban Emergency Department Setting
• Teaching and Assessing Residents’ Skills in Managing Crack Cocaine Abuse with Objective Structured Clinical Exams
• Long-Term Impact of a Student Alcohol Training Seminar
• Patient as Teacher: A Medical Student Elective on Substance Abuse and HIV Risk Factor Assessment
• “This is your Brain on Drugs”: Adolescent Substance Abuse Prevention Through Neuroscience Education
Skills-Based Workshops

Expert faculty will lead these small group interactive learning sessions. Attendance will be limited for each session, so please indicate which workshops you plan to attend on your registration form. The workshops are:

**Taking the Pain Out of Pain Education: Take Home Tools for Your Institution**
*Jeffrey Baxter, MD, Assistant Professor – Department of Family Medicine, University of Massachusetts Medical School*

This workshop will provide curricular materials to introduce health professions students to chronic pain management principles and current treatment guidelines. In this workshop we will model the use of a case-based module designed for a facilitated small group format; the module demonstrates the use of clinical tools for managing chronic pain and minimizing the misuse of opioid pain medications. The overall goal of the module is to improve the knowledge and skills of health professionals for detecting and preventing prescription opioid misuse. Materials will be provided electronically to all participants.

**Overdose Prevention with Bystander-Administered Naloxone**
*Alexander Walley, MD, MSc, Assistant Professor of Medicine - Boston University School of Medicine, and Melinda Campopiano, MD, Medical Director – Narcotic Addiction Treatment Program, Western Psychiatric Institute*

In this workshop, physicians active in two overdose prevention education with naloxone programs will review the rationale and evidence for these programs, address legal issues, and describe specific program models. Workshop participants will gain knowledge and skills for adapting and implementing an overdose prevention program for their communities. Objectives: Workshop participants will:
- Understand the evidence base for bystander-administered naloxone
- Recognize the legal issues relevant to program implementation
- Describe examples of successful programs
- Conduct a basic evaluation of program feasibility and outcomes

**Strategies for Integrating Mindfulness in Addiction Treatment Settings**
*Marianne T. Marcus, EdD, RN, FAAN, Director – Center for Substance Abuse Education, Prevention, and Research, University of Texas Health Science Center, and Deidra D. Carroll, BS, Research Assistant - University of Texas Health Science Center*

The link between stress and substance use disorders is well-documented. Mindfulness-based Stress Reduction (MBSR) has been shown to reduce stress in a variety of clinical and non-clinical settings. If one wishes to study and replicate a behavioral intervention such as MBSR, it is important to structure the intervention so it is feasible, meaningful and objectively described. The specific skills which will be shared in this workshop include:
1. Standardizing an intervention so that it can be replicated
2. Aligning a therapy, such as MBSR, with a particular method of substance abuse treatment
3. Developing a manual for the behavioral therapy
4. Training behavioral therapists
5. Creating a tracking system
6. Monitoring treatment integrity

**Getting Paid for SBIRT in Medical Settings**
*Peter D. Friedmann, MD, (moderator), Professor of Medicine – Brown Medical School, John Femino, MD - Meadows Edge Recovery Center, Eric Goplerud, PhD, Research Professor - Department of Health Policy, The George Washington University, and David Lewis, MD, Professor Emeritus - Medicine and Community Health, Brown University*

Through lecture, case studies and discussion, participant will gain an understanding of payment methods for SBIRT in behavioral health and medical settings, and how to teach and supervise trainees to use them accurately and efficiently. At the conclusion of this workshop, participants will:
1. State elements that are important for teaching and supervising trainees about payment for SBIRT.
2. Describe payment methods for SBIRT in primary care and other ambulatory care, EDs, trauma and inpatient, and the implications of parity, health reform and the medical home.
3. Identify appropriate situations to use Behavioral Health CPT, Medical E&M and HCPCS Level II codes.
**Skills-Based Workshops continued**

**Recent Advances in Motivational Interviewing: How Attention to Change Talk can Move Clients from Contemplation to Commitment**

*Barbara Kistenmacher, PhD, Director of Addictions Treatments - Bronx-Lebanon Hospital Center, and Kamala A. I. Greene, PhD, Associate Director of Addictions Treatments - Bronx-Lebanon Hospital Center*

The most recent Motivational Interviewing literature points to the relationship between change talk, commitment statements, and clinical outcomes. This clinical workshop is designed to translate research findings into clinical practice.

Objectives:
1. To provide practitioners with a new “lens” through which to think about client-practitioner interactions (i.e. from a perspective of change talk)
2. To encourage practitioners to think more carefully about the choices they make when reflecting client statements (i.e. the rationale behind what they say as well as the words that they use)
3. To highlight the importance of using the directive aspects of MI to increase motivation and self-efficacy

**Partnering with Young People on Community Assessment to Drive Substance Abuse Prevention Initiatives**

*Maureen Sedonaen MBA, Executive Director - Youth Leadership Institute, Jennifer Juras, PhD, Senior Research Associate - Youth Leadership Institute*

Photovoice is a participatory research method in which individuals often excluded from important decision-making processes, such as youth, are given the opportunity to capture their voices and visions of their lives and their community through photography and dialogue (Wang, Burris, & Xiang, 1996).

1. Participants will learn how to facilitate strong youth adult partnerships on community substance abuse prevention.
2. Participants will learn and practice specific methods for teaching other adults and young people how to complete a Photovoice project.
3. Participants will learn how to use Photovoice as a method for community assessment to drive substance abuse prevention initiatives.

**Implementing and Sustaining Screening, Brief Intervention, Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) in Various Clinical Settings**

*Leigh Fischer, MPH, Program Manager - SBIRT Colorado, Peer Assistance Services, Brie Reimann, BA, Program Manager, SBIRT Colorado, Peer Assistance Services, Alissa Almeida, MPH, Program Manager – MASBIRT, Boston Medical Center, Lee Ellenberg, LICSW, Clinical Program Supervisor – MASBIRT, Boston Medical Center, Steven O’Neil, MA, Project Director – Georgia Basics, Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities*

Substance abuse is a leading national public health problem with significant medical, social, legal and financial consequences. Little has been done to address the non-dependent user to prevent the progression towards dependence and addiction. A growing body of evidence supports the practice of Screening, Brief Intervention, Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) as a public health model to identify risky substance use, provide education, and prevent the onset of addiction among youth and adults.

Objectives:
- Describe Screening, Brief Intervention, Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) and the evidence supporting SBIRT, including data and outcomes collected through the SBIRT initiatives in Washington, Massachusetts, and Colorado.
- Formulate practical methods for implementing SBIRT into practice in emergency departments, inpatient, primary care, and HIV clinical settings.
- Examine solutions to commonly perceived barriers.
- Devise methods for sustaining SBIRT in a variety of clinical settings.

**Extended-Release Naltrexone in General Medical Settings**

*Joshua D. Lee, MD, MSc, Assistant Professor - New York University School of Medicine, Mark R. Publicker, MD - Mercy Recovery Center, Mercy Hospital, Portland, ME, Andrea Truncali, MD - New York University School of Medicine, Ellie Grossman, MD, MPH - New York University School of Medicine, and Marc N. Gourevitch, MD, MPH, New York University School of Medicine*

Treatment of alcohol dependence in general care settings fills an important need among patients not otherwise accessing specialty treatment. Chronic care models familiar to both general practitioners and psychiatrists are broadly adaptable to XR-NTX treatment and medical management, which includes counseling around behavior change, medication adherence, and long-term follow-up. Faculty experienced in XR-NTX management among underserved populations will review recent effectiveness data, teach recommended injection techniques in a ‘hands-on,’ participatory session, and lead case-based reviews of important treatment and counseling issues.
Awards

In order to support and recognize outstanding individual achievements in the substance abuse field, AMERSA will present the following awards.

The **John P. McGovern Lectureship Award** is given to an individual who has made important contributions to substance abuse education and research. The 2009 recipient is **Carlton K. Erickson, PhD**, Professor – University of Texas at Austin.

The **Betty Ford Award** is given to an individual who has played a significant role in the treatment and recovery of drug-dependent individuals, particularly women. The 2009 recipient is **Lisa M. Najavits, PhD**, Professor of Psychiatry - Boston University School of Medicine.

The **W. Anderson Spickard, Jr. Excellence in Mentorship Award** is given to an individual from any discipline who has provided outstanding mentoring to junior faculty and/or trainees, resulting in the faculty member’s or trainee’s increased scholastic productivity and career advancement in the area of substance abuse education or research. This year’s recipient is **John A. Renner, Jr., MD**, Associate Professor of Psychiatry – Boston University School of Medicine, Chief of Psychiatry – VA Boston Healthcare System.

The **New Investigator/Educator Award** is given to an AMERSA member who has made significant contributions to substance abuse education or research at an early stage in his or her career, and demonstrates the potential for future achievements in the field. This year’s recipient is **Erik W. Gunderson, MD**, Assistant Professor of Psychiatry and Neurobehavioral Sciences – University of Virginia.

The **Best Abstract Award** is given to the author of the best abstract. This year’s recipient is **Shari Van Hook, PA-C, MPH**, Director of Research Operations – Children’s Hospital Boston.

The **Best Workshop Award** is given to the author of the best workshop at last year’s conference. This year’s recipients are **Melissa Stein, MD**, Clinic Physician - Albert Einstein College of Medicine, **Sharon Parish, MD**, Associate Professor of Medicine - Albert Einstein College of Medicine, **Hillary Kunits, MD, MPH, MS**, Program Director, Residency in Primary Care and Social Internal Medicine - Albert Einstein College of Medicine, **Julia H. Arnsten, MD, MPH**, Chief, Division of General Internal Medicine - Albert Einstein College of Medicine.

**Fun Run/Walk with the President**

Join us for 30 minutes of fresh air and exercise on Saturday morning. Bring your running shoes or comfortable walking shoes and meet us near the registration desk in the main lobby at 6:30 a.m.!

Task Forces

Task forces are groups, meeting for a period of several months or one to two years, to achieve specific goals and objectives related to the AMERSA mission. AMERSA members who wish to apply for task force status and a designated meeting space during the national meeting should submit a request to the Program Committee at Doreen@amersa.org. The request should include (1) name of the task force, (2) name of the group leader(s), (3) a brief summary of the group’s goals and objectives. Previous task forces have included Physician Education, Culturally Competent Clinical Practice, Assistance for Impaired Healthcare Professionals, and Faculty Development. All meeting attendees are invited to participate in task force meetings and join in other task force activities if they occur during the year.

Special Interest Groups

Special interest groups, less structured than task forces, provide an opportunity for attendees to have a focused discussion on topics related to addiction treatment, education, research and special populations. If you have an interest group that you would like to lead and need designated meeting space during the national meeting, contact the Program Committee at Doreen@amersa.org. The interest group should submit a brief request including (1) name of the interest group, (2) name of the group leader(s). Examples of interest groups include General Internal Medicine, Nursing Initiative, Patient Centered Medical Homes, and Teaching Students about Evidence-based Treatment Methods. All meeting participants are invited to attend special interest group discussions.

One-on-One Mentoring

This one-on-one session is an opportunity for selected individuals to meet one-on-one with national leaders in the field of alcohol and other drug abuse. This session is designed for consultation on career development and/or research, teaching, and related issues. Mentors are interested in meeting, learning about and providing guidance to less senior members of the organization. The one-on-one session will take place at a time convenient for the two of you during the AMERSA meeting. A listing of mentors and their areas of interest will be available at the AMERSA registration desk. Stop by and sign up to meet with a mentor to discuss your area or interest at the conference.
Registration Form

Name & Degree(s): ____________________________________________  Presenter: _____ yes _____ no

First Time Attendee: _____ yes _____ no  If yes, please indicate name of AMERSA sponsor: ________________________________

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Please indicate if you are applying for CME or CEU credits (cost is included in registration fee).

☐ CEU credits for Nurses  ☐ CME credits for Physicians  ☐ CEU credits for Social Workers

Skills-Based Workshops

Please indicate the workshop(s) you plan to attend. You may choose one workshop for each day. There is no additional charge.

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Functions

All are welcome! Please indicate function(s) you plan to attend. Cost is included in registration fee if reserved in advance.

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☐ Thursday Program Committee Luncheon Meeting  ☐ Friday Public Policy Lunch
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*(Pre-doctoral, health professional full-time student)* letter from registrar confirming status MUST accompany registration form: fax letter to (877) 418-8769 or e-mail to: doreen@amersa.org

**Award**
*(Best Abstract, Best Workshop, Conference Travel, McGovern, Betty Ford) Plenary Speaker*

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- **Check US funds only. Make check payable to AMERSA and mail completed form with payment to AMERSA, 125 Whipple Street, 3rd Floor, Providence, RI 02908**
- **Register online at:** [http://www.amersa.org/confReg.asp](http://www.amersa.org/confReg.asp)
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What is AMERSA?
The Association for Medical Education and Research in Substance Abuse is a national multidisciplinary organization of health care professionals dedicated to improving education and research on the care of individuals with substance abuse problems. With support from the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, and the National Institute on Drug Abuse, AMERSA is expanding science-based education in substance abuse for all health care professionals.

Why Should I Join?
Membership in AMERSA connects you to a network of health care professionals active in substance abuse education. By joining AMERSA you will receive subscriptions to Substance Abuse, AMERSA's peer-reviewed journal; discounted rates to the national conference; and the opportunity to participate on the national and local levels in activities which support academic programs in universities, professional schools, and organizations that emphasize substance abuse education and research. The continuing success of AMERSA is the result of multidisciplinary leadership and collaboration, which creates a deeper understanding of substance abuse and more effective treatment and prevention strategies.

Membership Categories

Full Membership is open to all persons engaging in substance abuse research or education and/or holding faculty appointments at schools for health professionals. Members shall have the right to vote and hold office.

Associate Membership is open to medical students, graduate students, interns, residents and fellows with a demonstrated interest/involvement in the field of substance abuse. Associate members shall have the right to vote and hold office as Associate Members-at-Large.

Emeritus Membership is by invitation only in recognition of long service to AMERSA. Emeritus members shall have the right to vote.

Corporate Membership is open to corporations and organizations with a demonstrated interest in substance abuse education or research. Corporate members receive a complimentary subscription to Substance Abuse and a complimentary registration to the annual national conference. Corporate members shall not have the right to vote or hold office.

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Please refer to registration form for payment information.

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