

Part 1:
**Recognizing
SUBSTANCE ABUSE *in*
Bipolar Disorder**

The Department of Veterans Affairs Employee Education System, the Pharmacy Benefits Management Strategic Healthcare Group, and the VA Medical Advisory Panel, with the acknowledgement of the VHA Center for Excellence in Substance Abuse Treatment and Education (CESATE), and the Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Mental Health Services present: **Course No. 06.PHARMSUBSTANCE.A** in cooperation with The Southern California Institute for Research and Education.

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You are invited to a
**Pharmacy Benefits Management –
Medical Advisory Panel Educational
Distance Learning Event**

**Impact of
SUBSTANCE ABUSE
on the Course of
Bipolar Disorder**

**Tuesday, May 23, 2006
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM (ET)**

**Wednesday, May 24, 2006
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM (ET)**



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When

Satellite Broadcast (on Channel 1)

Tuesday, May 23, 2006 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM (ET)

Wednesday, May 24, 2006 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM (ET)

The broadcast will be followed by a 2:00 PM (ET)

VANTS conference call on the following date,

which will provide an opportunity to discuss

issues covered in the broadcast with the faculty:

Tuesday, May 23, 2006 2:00 PM (ET)

Dial-in number: 1-800-767-1750, Access Code 14945#

Program Re-Broadcast Dates

June 8, 2006 9:00 AM (ET) Channel 1

June 20, 2006 6:00 PM (ET) Channel 1

June 23, 2006 1:00 PM (ET) Channel 1

June 27, 2006 10:00 AM (ET) Channel 1

Where

Your local satellite site or via recording at location determined by your facility. Location for viewing a recording is at viewer discretion and as your facility's resources permit.

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Purpose

To assist participants and educate healthcare providers by reviewing up-to-date information on the prevalence, natural history, and treatment of comorbid bipolar disorders with psychoactive substance abuse.

Target Audience

The program is intended for VHA physicians, nurses, and clinical pharmacy staff, clinical psychologists involved in diagnosing and treating patients with substance use disorder (SUD) and bipolar disorder. Other VHA staff may also find this a helpful introduction to the diagnosing and treating of patients with bipolar disorder and SUD.

Learning Objectives

- Recognize the scope of the health problems associated with the impact of substance abuse on bipolar disorder
- Describe the epidemiologic data related to bipolar disorder, SUD, and the co-occurrence of SUD with bipolar disorder
- Describe the risks and consequences of co-occurring bipolar disorders and substance use disorders:
 - Analyze how SUD influences the course of bipolar disorder
 - Describe how SUDs combined with bipolar disorder can lead to or exacerbate existing medical conditions (including hepatitis, HIV, etc.)
 - Describe the adverse effect of SUD on adherence to bipolar disorder treatment
 - Recognize the quality of life outcomes associated with the presentation of co-occurring bipolar and substance use disorders (including homelessness)
- Describe the importance of selecting the appropriate methods for identifying and treating SUDs among patients with bipolar disorder

Program Benefits

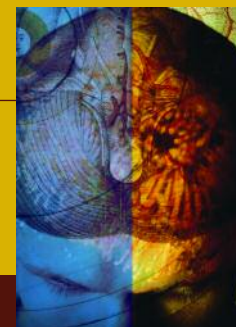
- Nationally recognized faculty presenters with unique insights
- Interactive Q & A session to enrich educational experience
- Current information relevant to VHA patient populations
- Live training with minimal time investment
- Improved patient care through updates on treatment recommendations
- Quality educational experience without travel or extended time away from regular duties

Broadcast Slide Presentations

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Accreditation/Approval

Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME)

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American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC)

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American Psychological Association (APA)

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The Employee Education System maintains responsibility for the program.

Continuing Education Credit

Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME)

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American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC)

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American Psychological Association (APA)

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