Resources

Grant Writing and Proposal Development Assistance

Researchers can access grant writing tutorials and information on research design, as well as links to the addiction community, at www.theresearchassistant.com.

NIDA Publications Related to Minorities or With Sections on Minority Populations

Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved: "Reducing HIV/AIDS and Criminal Justice Involvement in African Americans as a Consequence of Drug Abuse," Volume 16, Number 4, Supplement B (November 2005), Johns Hopkins University Press, (800-548-1784), www.press.jhu.edu/journals

Drug Use Among Racial/Ethnic Minorities (Revised 2003), National Institute on Drug Abuse, NCADI #BKD180

Public Health Reports: Drug Use, HIV/AIDS, and Health Outcomes Among Racial and Ethnic Populations, Volume 117, Supplement 1 (2002), Oxford Press, NCADI #MS914

Conducting Drug Abuse Research with Minority Populations, Advances and Issues (1999), Haworth Press, (800-429-6784), www.haworthpressinc.com

Rural Substance Abuse: State of Knowledge and Issues (RM 168), (1997), National Institute on Drug Abuse, www.drugabuse.gov (on line only)

NIDA Publications in Spanish

Serie de Reportes de Investigacion: El VIH/SIDA (HIV/AIDS—Research Report Series) (2006), NCADI #PHD1128S

Serie de Reportes de Investigacion: Abuso de la MDMA (Extasis) (MDMA (Ecstasy) Abuse—Research Report Series) (2006), NCADI #PH1105S

Serie de Reportes de Investigacion: Abuso de la Marihuana (Marijuana—Research Report Series) (2006), NCADI #PHD948S

La marihuana: Lo que los padres deben saber (Marijuana: Facts Parents Need to Know) (2007), NCADI #PHD712S Como Prevenir el Uso de Drogas en los Ninos y los Adolescentes. Una guia con base cientifica para padres, educadores y lideres de la comunidad—Segunda Edicion, Version Abreviada (Preventing Drug Use Among Children and Adolescents... In Brief Edition) (2004), NCADI #PHD1023B-S

La marihuana: Informacion para los adolescentes (Marijuana: Facts for Teens) (2005), NCADI #PHD713S

Serie de Reportes de Investigacion: Adiccion a la Nicotina (Nicotine Addiction—Research Report Series) (2006), NCADI #PHD762S

Principios de tratamiento para la drogadiccion: Una guia basada en la investigacion (Principles of Drug Addiction Treatment: A Research-Based Guide) (2001), NCADI #BKD347S

Juventud Latina: Hable con sus Hijos sobre las Drogas y sus Peligros (Talk to Your Children about Drugs and their Dangers) (2006), NCADI #PHD854S

NIDA Publications of General Interest

Principles of Drug Abuse Treatment for Criminal Justice Populations (2006), NCADI #BKD550

Preventing Drug Use Among Children and Adolescents: A Research-Based Guide for Parents, Educators, and Community Leaders, Second Edition (2003), NCADI #PHD1023A

Principles of HIV Prevention in Drug-Using Populations: A Research-Based Guide (2002), NCADI #BKD440

Principles of Drug Addiction Treatment: A Research-Based Guide (1999), NCADI #BKD347

The publications listed above are available at www.drugabuse.gov or through the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information (NCADI), 1-800-729-6686.



For any additional information visit NIDA on line at www.drugabuse.gov.

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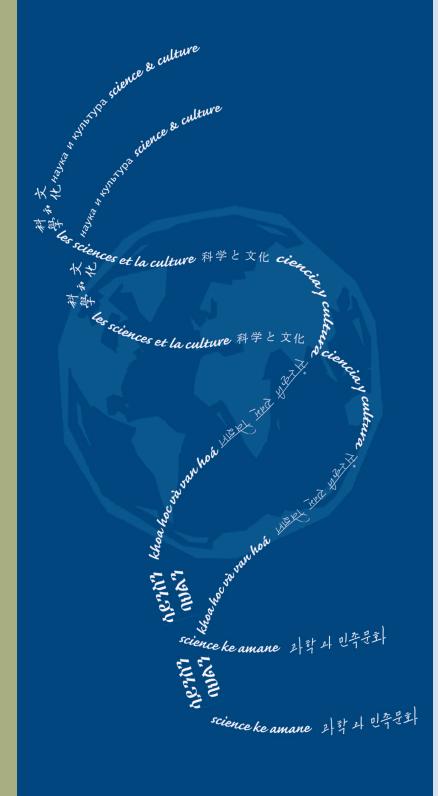
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or more than 30 years, the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) has explored the biomedical and behavioral foundations of drug abuse. NIDA leads the Nation in bringing the power of science to bear on finding solutions to the public health problems of drug abuse and addiction.

Racial/ethnic minorities have been disproportionately affected by the consequences of drug abuse and addiction. For many years, NIDA has worked to better understand and address the drug abuse and addiction research needs of these populations. As such, NIDA has established the Special Populations Office (SPO) and a Strategic Plan on Reducing Health Disparities to systematically and aggressively pursue this goal. Through this plan and the work of our Special Populations Office, NIDA continues to address health disparities based on race and ethnic origin.

Special Populations Office

The SPO is at the center of addressing NIDA's minority and health disparities research efforts. The SPO works to address training and career development needs of underrepresented minorities and ensures that minority issues are adequately represented in NIDA-supported drug abuse research through collaboration with advisory groups.

Major programs supported by the SPO include the Diversity Supplements Program, the Research Development Seminar Series, Summer Research with NIDA, the Minority Institutions' Drug Abuse Research Development Program (MIDARP), the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Initiative, the National Hispanic Science Network, the African American Initiative on Criminal Justice and HIV/AIDS, and the expert work groups for Asian Americans/Pacific Islanders, African Americans, Hispanic Americans and Native Americans/Alaska Natives. To learn more, visit the SPO home page at www.drugabuse.gov/about/organization/SPO/SPOHome.html.

The Strategic Plan on Health Disparities Research

NIDA is pursuing four major areas of research as part of its strategic plan on health disparities:

- (1) The Epidemiology of Drug Abuse, Health Consequences, and Infectious Diseases among Minority Populations focuses on understanding the incidence, patterns, and causes of drug abuse in minority populations and developing better measures and designs to appropriately assess drug abuse, addiction, and related behaviors in these populations. The goals of this effort are to:
- Improve the knowledge base on the patterns and origins of drug abuse and addiction in all racial/ethnic populations, including estimates of racial disparities on the incidence and prevalence of drug abuse and addiction within those populations, and examining both risk and protective factors;
- Identify and examine issues of health disparities in infectious diseases associated with drug abuse—particularly HIV/AIDS—within racial/ethnic populations and including analysis by gender; and
- Identify both the short- and long-term effects of drug abuse and addiction and violence and their interrelationships to the overall health of racial/ethnic populations.
- **(2) Prevention of Drug Abuse and Addiction** focuses on the need for more culturally specific prevention programs to reach minority populations in high-risk settings and underserved, hard-to-reach communities, including rural populations. The goals of this effort are to:
- Support prevention research targeting racial/ethnic minorities;
- Ensure that racial/ethnic minority, rural, and other underserved populations are incorporated fully into the planning and implementation of NIDA's next generation of prevention research; and
- Develop effective, culturally specific drug abuse prevention strategies for minority and rural populations that are at increased risk for drug abuse.

- (3) Addressing Disparities in Treatment and Health Services Research focuses on the full inclusion of minority and rural populations in treatment research and clinical trials and the examination of medical, social, and cultural factors that may influence adherence to treatment and treatment outcomes. The goals of this effort are to:
- Increase the number of treatment research studies that focus on racial/ethnic and rural differences and improve the dissemination of the study results; and
- Determine the factors that contribute to differences experienced by racial/ethnic minority and rural populations in obtaining access to services and in outcomes of treatment in managed care and other service systems.
- **(4) Addressing Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Basic and Clinical Neurosciences** focuses on research to better understand the racial/ethnic differences in genetic vulnerability and resilience to drug abuse and addiction. The goal of this effort is to increase the number of neuroscience, clinical neuroscience, and basic behavioral science studies that focus on racial/ethnic differences.

Research Infrastructure

Valid health disparities research requires a research infrastructure that includes well-trained scientists, knowledgeable communities, and academic institutions with the capacity to conduct drug abuse research. NIDA's goals are to ensure that proper resource requirements are met through training and career development for students, faculty, investigators; supporting academic institutions in developing drug abuse research programs; and engaging professionals and communities in addressing health disparities.

Public Information/Outreach

NIDA is committed to creating culturally appropriate information for minority populations. Our goals are to:

- Educate racial/ethnic minority populations about drug abuse and addiction prevention and treatment. Additionally, NIDA works to identify and improve mechanisms for dissemination of research findings within and across minority groups;
- Put research into practice in minority communities by providing science-based prevention and treatment information to providers serving these populations; and
- Educate the research and practice community about the state-of-the-art in drug abuse and addiction research with racial/ethnic minority populations.

To learn more about our *Strategic Plan on Reducing Health Disparities* visit www.drugabuse.gov/StrategicPlan/HealthStratPlan.html.

Research Training Opportunities

The SPO offers an array of research training opportunities that are designed specifically for researchers and scientists from underrepresented groups.

Research Supplements to Promote Diversity in Health-Related Research is an NIH-wide program that provides funding to principal investigators on existing research projects to enable them to add minority or disabled students or investigators to their research teams, PA-05-015. (http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-05-015.html)

Special Populations Research Development Seminar Series is a series of seminars designed to provide technical assistance on proposal development, research methods and design, scientific writing, the peer review process, and preparing successful grant applications to scholars who are members of racial/ethnic minority groups.

Summer Research with NIDA is a program that introduces high school and undergraduate students to drug abuse research through placements with NIDA grantees.

Minority Research Training Program is an intramural research program that provides high school, undergraduate, graduate, and medical students and faculty with an opportunity to work with leading NIDA scientists in a laboratory setting during the summer.

NIDA also offers other research training opportunities through the National Research Service Awards and the NIH-wide Career Development Awards. Visit www.drugabuse.gov/researchtraining/traininghome.html for information.

Other Minority Programs/Activities

African American Initiative on Criminal Justice and HIV/AIDS

NIDA has placed a special emphasis on addressing the disproportionate occurrence of HIV/AIDS and criminal justice involvement among African Americans. This initiative's efforts are designed to support research to further elucidate the causes and correlation of substance abuse, HIV infection, and the criminal justice system in the African American community. NIDA has convened an African American Initiative Committee that develops research funding opportunities in conjunction with meetings and seminars to corroborate the initiative's goals.

Minority Work Groups

Work groups comprised of experts in substance abuse and addiction or health concerns of minority populations have been created. These work groups advise the NIDA Director on research and research development needs of their particular minority communities that will lead to effective prevention and treatment approaches. Work groups exist for African American, Hispanic, Asian Pacific Islander, and Native American/Alaska Native communities.

National Hispanic Science Network

The National Hispanic Science Network (NHSN) evolved from NIDA's Hispanic work group. The Network is designed to enhance communication, increase the dissemination of research knowledge to practitioners, clinicians, and the public, and mentor Hispanic students and scientists interested in careers in drug abuse and addiction research. Activities include an annual conference and a summer research training institute for students and new investigators. More information can be obtained at http://www.nhsn.med.miami.edu/.

Research Funding Opportunities Pertaining to Minorities

NIDA sponsors minority research opportunities through:

- The Minority Institutions' Drug Abuse Research Development Program, PAR-05-069 (http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-05-069.html). This ongoing program provides support to minority institutions and is designed to increase the research capacity of racial/ethnic minority faculty, staff, and students.
- Drug Abuse as a Cause, Correlate, or Consequence of Criminal Justice Related Health Disparities Among African Americans, PA-07-114 (http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-114.html). The purpose of this program announcement is to encourage epidemiologic, prevention, treatment, and services research on criminal justice related health disparities among African Americans as it relates to drug abuse and addiction.
- Health Disparities in HIV/AIDS: Focus on African Americans, PA-07-116 (http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-116.html). This announcement is designed to encourage drug abuse and mental health research to better understand the disparities in HIV/AIDS in minority populations, particularly among African Americans, who as a group, have experienced exceptionally high rates of new HIV infections and worse survival rates than other ethnic/racial groups in this country.

To advance our health disparities goals, applications can be submitted in response to many NIDA/NIH program announcements, including:

- The Effect of Racial and Ethnic Discrimination/Bias on Healthcare Delivery (R01), PA-07-206, (grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-206.html)
- Health Disparities Among Minority and Underserved Women (R01), PA-07-154, (grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-154.html)
- Economics of Prevention and Treatment Services for Drug and Alcohol Abuse (RO1), PA-07-122, (grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-122.html)
- Health Services Research on the Prevention and Treatment of Drug and Alcohol Abuse (R01), PA-07-119, (grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-119.html)
- Epidemiology of Drug Abuse (R01), PA-07-118, (grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-118.html)
- Non-injection Drug Abuse and HIV/AIDS (R01), PAS-07-115, (grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/ PAS-07-115.html)
- Behavioral & Integrative Treatment Development Program (R01), PA-07-111 (grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-111.html)
- Drug Abuse Prevention Intervention Research (R01), PA-07-110, (grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-110.html)
- Cross-Disciplinary Translational Research at NIH (R01), PA-07-109, (grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-109.html)
- Research on Rural Mental Health and Drug Abuse Disorders (R01), PA-07-103, (grants.nih.gov/grants/quide/pa-files/PA-07-103.html)
- Social and Cultural Dimensions of Health (R01), PA-07-045, (grants.nih.gov/grants/quide/pa-files/PA-07-045.html)
- Research on Social Work Practice and Concepts in Health (R03), PA-06-233, (grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-06-233.html)
- Health Research with Diverse Populations (R01), PA-06-218, (grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-06-218.html)
- Cutting-Edge Basic Research Awards (CEBRA) (R21), PAR-06-209, (grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-06-209.html)
- NIH Exploratory/Developmental Research Grant Program (R21), PA-06-181, (grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-06-181.html)
- NIH Small Research Grant Program (Parent R03), PA-06-180, (grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-06-180.html)
- International Research Collaboration on Drug Addiction (R01), PA-06-050, (grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-06-050.html)
- Collaborative Clinical Trials in Drug Abuse, PAR-04-073, (grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-04-073.html)
- Drug Abuse Aspects of HIV/AIDS and Other Infections, PA-04-007, (grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-04-007.html)

Additional program announcements can be found at http://www.nida.nih.gov/funding/resfundslist.html.