



The Consortium on  
Addiction Recovery  
Science (CoARS)

# NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ADDICTION RECOVERY SCIENCE

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April 23-24, 2025



Virtual

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**Full Agenda**

*Last Updated: 4/21/25*

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## Important Details

April 23 - 24, 2025

Registration



Virtual Conference

## Themes

*Defining and Measuring Recovery*

*Health Disparities*

*Harm Reduction and Recovery*

*Recovery Capital*

*Recovery Pathways/Phenotypes/Milestones*

*Recovery Services Workforce Development*

*Recovery Support Services*

*Youth, Young Adults, and Family*

*Other topics focused on recovery are welcome*

## Overview of Presentation Types

Symposium Presentation (1 hour): These are formal, thematic presentations. These presentations include three to four symposium presenters, one of whom will be the introductant/discussant. Each presenter will have 15 minutes, with roughly 15 minutes at the end for discussion. The discussion is intended to be interactive with audience participation strongly encouraged.

Roundtable (1-hour session): These should include up to five participants, including a moderator, who will have an opportunity to engage in an interactive discussion about a specific topic. The components of roundtables are: (1) brief overview of the topic to be discussed, (2) nature and orchestration of the interactive discussion.

Poster Presentation: These presentations provide an opportunity for groups or individuals to display their program descriptions and research findings in a poster format. A virtual poster board area will be available for each poster. Each poster presentation will consist of a 3-minute pre-recorded voice over as well as a virtual area for Q & A.



# NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ADDICTION RECOVERY SCIENCE

## Keynote

***Wednesday, April 23, 2025, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM EST***



Kelly E. Dunn, PhD, MBA

## **Prioritizing Recovery Science at the Federal Level**

*Moderated by John F. Kelly, PhD, ABPP  
and Lourah M. Kelly, PhD*



Wilson Compton, MD, MPE



Rahul Gupta, MD, MPH, FACP,  
MBA



Rajita Sinha, PhD

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## Keynote

*Thursday, April 24, 2025, 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM EST*



Andrew J. Finch, PhD

## Recovery Science: What Do We Know, and What Do We Need to Know?

*Moderated by Amy Mericle, PhD  
and Lourah M. Kelly, PhD*



Christine E. Grella, PhD



Sarah Zemore, PhD



Keith Humphreys, PhD, AM



David Best, PhD



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<b>General Session</b> 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM EST	<b>Keynote Panel</b> Prioritizing Recovery Science at the Federal Level	Wilson Compton, MD, MPE; Rahul Gupta, MD, MPH, FACP, MBA; Kelly E. Dunn, PhD, MBA; and Rajita Sinha, PhD (moderated by John F. Kelly, PhD, ABPP and Lourah M. Kelly, PhD)
<b>Lunch</b> 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM EST	No scheduled session, enjoy your meal!	
<b>Breakout Session 1</b> 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM EST	<b>Integrating Recovery Supports in Recuperative Care Settings (roundtable)</b> Recovery Support Services	Callan Montgomery, MPH; Trent Montgomery; Samuel Wittich; Leilani Flynn, RN, BSN; and Mark Kleinschmidt, CPS
	<b>How Can We Best Support Peer Support Workers? A Multi-Level Examination from South Carolina (symposium presentation)</b> Recovery Services Workforce Development	Magdalena Moskal, MA; Eleanor G. Wu, PhD; Sarah J. Miller, MA; and Wendy Chu, MA
	<b>Bridging Ideologies: Exploring Harm Reduction in Collegiate Recovery Programs (symposium presentation)</b> Harm Reduction and Recovery	Noel A. Vest, PhD

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<b>Breakout Session 2</b> 1:45 PM - 2:45 PM EST	<b>Expanding Recovery Housing Models: Exploring Different Pathways for Supporting Residents (symposium presentation)</b> Recovery Support Services	Amy A. Mericle, PhD; Jodie M. Dewey, PhD; Justin S. Bell, PhD; and Meenakshi S. Subbaraman, PhD
	<b>Harnessing the Underutilized Power of Concerned Loved Ones as Treatment and Recovery Partners (roundtable)</b> Youth, Young Adults, and Family	Aaron Hogue, PhD; Jessica Calihan, MD, MSc; Jessica Chou, PhD; Tess K. Drazdowski, PhD; and Nicole P. Porter, PhD
<b>Meet our Supporters</b> 2:45 PM - 3:15 PM EST	Join us as our supporting organizations connect with attendees (see these organizations at the bottom of the document)	
<b>Breakout Session 3</b> 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM EST	<b>The Outcomes of Innovation in Opioid Addiction Treatment in Corrections (roundtable)</b> Health Disparities	Nathaniel Day, MD, CCFP, Dip. ABAM; Angela Draude, RN BScN; and Carla Vetland, MHE
	<b>Guiding the Next Generation of Leaders in Recovery Science Research (roundtable)</b> Other topics focused on recovery are welcome	Ashli J. Sheidow, PhD and Carmen L. Masson, PhD

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<b>Poster Session</b> <i>4:30 PM - 6:30 PM EST</i>	<i>4:30 - 4:50 PM EST</i> <b>Slideshow of All NCARS Posters</b>
	<i>4:50 - 5:00 PM EST</i> <b>Early Career Poster Awards</b>
	<i>5:00 - 6:30 PM EST</i> <b>Poster “Office Hours” - All poster presenters will be available in Zoom breakout rooms, so that attendees may visit the rooms of the presentations they would like to learn more about.</b>



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<b>Mentorship Session</b> 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM EST	Virtual research mentor/mentee meet up. Please fill out the interest form on our website if you would like to participate as a mentor or mentee. <div data-bbox="1703 420 1822 532" data-label="Image"> </div> <a href="https://www.recoveryanswers.org/coarsconference/">https://www.recoveryanswers.org/coarsconference/</a>	
<b>Lunch</b> 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM EST	No scheduled session, enjoy your meal!	
<b>Breakout Session 1</b> 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM EST	<b>Recovery Housing Sustainability: Stakeholder-Centered Research (roundtable)</b> <div data-bbox="575 932 1148 985" data-label="Text"> Recovery Support Services </div>	Leah Davies, MSSW; Fiona Conway, PhD; Julie McElrath, MSSW; Jason Pullin, RSPS; and Justin York, BA
	<b>Multidirectional Learning within Equitable Community-Academic Partnerships to Enhance Peer Recovery (roundtable)</b> <div data-bbox="575 1203 1148 1256" data-label="Text"> Recovery Services Workforce Development </div>	Jon Gilgoff, PhD, MSW; Tiffinee Scott, CPRS, RPS; Jennifer Brown, BA, RPS; Stephanie Hutter-Thomas, PhD, CPH, RPS; and Fernando Wagner, MPH, ScD
<b>Breakout Session 2</b> 1:45 PM - 2:45 PM EST	<b>Recovery Residences Serving People taking MOUD across Texas: Key Findings from Project HOMES (symposium presentation)</b> <div data-bbox="575 1456 1148 1510" data-label="Text"> Recovery Support Services </div>	Serena A. Rodriguez, PhD, MPH; Kathryn R. Gallardo, PhD, LMSW; Hannah L. N. Stewart, MPH; and J. Michael Wilkerson, PhD

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<b>Breakout Session 2</b> 1:45 PM - 2:45 PM EST	<b>Strategies to Promote Collaborative Community-Based Research (roundtable)</b> <i>Other topics focused on recovery are welcome</i>	Hannah S. Szlyk, PhD; Tess K. Drazdowski, PhD; Ashli J. Sheidow, PhD; Lindsay N. Kocen, PSS, RSPS, MHPS; and Bettina Hoepfner, PhD, MS
<b>Meet our Supporters</b> 2:45 PM - 3:15 PM EST	Join us as our supporting organizations connect with attendees (see these organizations at the bottom of the document)	
<b>Breakout Session 3</b> 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM EST	<b>Experiences of Trafficking Survivors in Addiction Recovery Systems: Implications for Trauma-informed (symposium presentation)</b> <i>Harm Reduction and Recovery</i>	Theresa Anasti, MSW, PhD; Nathaniel A. Dell, MSW, PhD; Hilary Thibodeau, MSW; and Lauren Grimes, MPH
	<b>The RFA Grant Opportunity Involving Concerned Significant Others as Recovery Partners and Assets (roundtable)</b> <i>Other topics focused on recovery are welcome</i>	Leonard A. Jason, PhD; David Gustafson, PhD; Sydney O'Shay, PhD; and Karen Osilla, PhD
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## Poster Presentations | Wednesday, April 23, 2025

1	<b>From Complexity to Consensus: Theoretical Synthesis for Overcoming Barriers in Defining Recovery</b> <i>Kurt D. Lebeck, MSW, MA</i>	5	<b>A Cross-Sectional Study on the Psychosocial Correlates on Sobriety Intentions Among Incarcerated Individuals</b> <i>Alejandro Betancur</i>	8	<b>Forgiveness and Suicidal Behavior: Assessing the Mediating Roles of Hope, Gratitude, and Psychache</b> <i>Ernestina Aidoo, MPhil</i>
2	<b>Mental Health Over Time: Depression and Anxiety in Recovery</b> <i>Lauren E. Lewis, PhD and Michelle K. Strong, PhD</i>	6	<b>Exploring the Intersections of Stigma, Discrimination, and Substance Use</b> <i>Rachel Girard, MA</i>	9	<b>Substitution in Early Addiction Resolution: An Exploration of Substance Use and Mental Health Correlates</b> <i>Corinne A. Beaugard, PhD, LCSW</i>
3	<b>Intersecting Challenges: Substance Use and Mental Health Disparities by Disability Status</b> <i>Jessica Williams, MD</i>	34	<b>Exploring Perceptions and Experiences of People of Color Who Use Drugs in Harlem</b> <i>Felecia Pullen, PhD</i>	10	<b>Barriers to Treatment in Correctional Facilities for Substance Use Disorders</b> <i>Nancy Le, OMS-II</i>
4	<b>Unequal Burdens: Disparities in Adolescent Mental Health with SUD</b> <i>Mohit Chhatpar, DO</i>	7	<b>Social Network Transformations in Oxford Houses: Integration and Support of Residents on MOUD</b> <i>Alexander J. Sikora, BS and Leonard A. Jason, PhD</i>	11	<b>Barriers to Treatment for Pregnant Patients with Substance Use Disorder in Correctional Facilities</b> <i>Nidhi Charan, BS</i>

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12	<b>Exploring Gender Disparities in Recovery Capital: Implications for Opioid Use Disorder Treatment</b> <i>Mary York, MSW, PhD Candidate and Katelyn Scoggins, BA</i>	16	<b>Assessing the Recovery Community Center Workforce in Rural and Urban Settings</b> <i>Craig Henderson, PhD and Angela Hagaman, DrPH</i>	20	<b>Availability of Recovery Support Services in a National Survey of United States Treatment Facilities</b> <i>Nathaniel A. Dell, PhD</i>
13	<b>Egocentric Social Networks and Recovery Capital Among Incarcerated Women with Opioid Use Disorder</b> <i>Martha Tillson, PhD</i>	17	<b>A Community-Engaged Approach to Develop Peer Recovery Support Services for Clinical Settings</b> <i>Melissa N. Poulsen, PhD, MPH and Kristyn Zajac, PhD</i>	21	<b>The Role of Lived Experience Among Recovery Community Center Directors in Addressing Rural Barriers</b> <i>Ryan J. Lofaro, PhD</i>
14	<b>Start from Strength: How the Trait-Based Model is Revolutionizing Recovery Across the Nation</b> <i>Jason G. Roop, PhD</i>	18	<b>Benefits of Online Engagement in Diverse Mutual-Help Groups for Alcohol Problems</b> <i>Sarah Zemore, PhD</i>	22	<b>Utilization of Recovery Support Services and Outcome Assessments at Recovery Community Centers</b> <i>Marion J. Riggs, PhD and Jonathan Picard, BS</i>
15	<b>Learning to Navigate Methamphetamine Use Disorder with Trainees</b> <i>Angel K. Ogbeide, DDS and Matthew T. Ogbeide, MD</i>	19	<b>Developing a Text Messaging Intervention to Support Postpartum Mothers in Recovery from Alcohol Use</b> <i>Sarah Dauber, PhD</i>	23	<b>The Central Appalachian Peer Partnership (CAPP) Longitudinal Data Registry: Preliminary Results and</b> <i>Angela Hagaman, DrPH and Hannah Warren, MPH</i>



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24	<b>Expanding the Impact of Pharmacy Services by Integrating them with Recovery Housing: A Mixed Methods</b> <i>Adati Tarfa, PharmD, PhD</i>	28	<b>Demystifying the Molecular Mechanism of GLP-1 Agonists in Substance Use Disorder: Focus on Dopamine</b> <i>Mohit Chhatpar, DO</i>	31	<b>A Randomized Pilot Trial of an Integrated Intervention Combining CBT and Recovery Coaching</b> <i>Irene Pericot-Valverde, PhD</i>
25	<b>Advancing Recovery Science: Establishing a Community-Informed Research Agenda for PRSS</b> <i>Ducel Jean-Berluce, PhD, MS</i>	29	<b>Suicide Risk Among Adults in Recovery and with Substance Use Disorder in a National Sample</b> <i>Lourah M. Kelly, PhD</i>	32	<b>Exploring the Relationship Between Cannabis Use Disorder and Narcolepsy</b> <i>Salwa Sadiq-Ali, MD</i>
26	<b>Connecting Black and Latine Young People: Decreasing Overdose Through a Community-Based Intervention</b> <i>Claudia C. McKenley, BA and Jessica O. Osanyinpeju, BS</i>	30	<b>Trauma and Recovery: Prevalence of Sexual and Intimate Partner Violence among Women in SUD Treatment</b> <i>Lauren T. Smalls, BA</i>	33	<b>Bridging the Gap: Evaluating the Reach and Impact of the Recovery Science ECHO</b> <i>Kierstyn S. Gallegos</i>
27	<b>Forgiveness and ACOA-Related Problems among College Students as Mediated by Psychological Distress</b> <i>Ashnita S. Maxton, MA</i>				

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