



The Consortium on
Addiction Recovery
Science (CoARS)

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ADDICTION RECOVERY SCIENCE



April 23-24, 2025



Virtual

Full Agenda

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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.

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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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General Session 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM EST	Keynote Panel 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)
Lunch 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM EST		No scheduled session, enjoy your meal!
Breakout Session 1 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM EST	Integrating Recovery Supports in Recuperative Care Settings (roundtable) Recovery Support Services	Callan Montgomery, MPH; Trent Montgomery; Samuel Wittich; Leilani Flynn, RN, BSN; and Mark Kleinschmidt, CPS
	How Can We Best Support Peer Support Workers? A Multi-Level Examination from South Carolina (symposium presentation) Recovery Services Workforce Development	Magdalena Moskal, MA; Eleanor G. Wu, PhD; Sarah J. Miller, MA; and Wendy Chu, MA
	Bridging Ideologies: Exploring Harm Reduction in Collegiate Recovery Programs (symposium presentation) Harm Reduction and Recovery	Noel A. Vest, PhD

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

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Poster Session

4:30 PM - 6:30 PM EST

4:30 - 4:50 PM EST

Slideshow of All NCARS Posters

4:50 - 5:00 PM EST

Early Career Poster Awards

5:00 - 6:30 PM EST

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.

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Mentorship Session 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM EST	<p>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.</p> <p>https://www.recoveryanswers.org/ coarsconference/</p> 
Lunch 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM EST	No scheduled session, enjoy your meal!
Breakout Session 1 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM EST	<p>Recovery Housing Sustainability: Stakeholder-Centered Research (roundtable)</p> <p>Recovery Support Services</p> <p>Multidirectional Learning within Equitable Community-Academic Partnerships to Enhance Peer Recovery (roundtable)</p> <p>Recovery Services Workforce Development</p> <p>Leah Davies, MSSW; Fiona Conway, PhD; Julie McElrath, MSSW; Jason Pullin, RSPS; and Justin York, BA</p>
Breakout Session 2 1:45 PM - 2:45 PM EST	<p>Recovery Residences Serving People taking MOUD across Texas: Key Findings from Project HOMES (symposium presentation)</p> <p>Recovery Support Services</p> <p>Serena A. Rodriguez, PhD, MPH; Kathryn R. Gallardo, PhD, LMSW; Hannah L. N. Stewart, MPH; and J. Michael Wilkerson, PhD</p>

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Breakout Session 2 1:45 PM - 2:45 PM EST	Strategies to Promote Collaborative Community-Based Research (roundtable) <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 Hoeppner, PhD, MS
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Breakout Session 3 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM EST	Experiences of Trafficking Survivors in Addiction Recovery Systems: Implications for Trauma-informed (symposium presentation) <i>Harm Reduction and Recovery</i>	Theresa Anasti, MSW, PhD; Nathaniel A. Dell, MSW, PhD; Hilary Thibodeau, MSW; and Lauren Grimes, MPH
	The RFA Grant Opportunity Involving Concerned Significant Others as Recovery Partners and Assets (roundtable) <i>Other topics focused on recovery are welcome</i>	Leonard A. Jason, PhD; David Gustafson, PhD; Sydney O'Shay, PhD; and Karen Osilla, PhD
General Session 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM EST	Keynote Panel Recovery Science: What Do We Know, and What Do We Need to Know?	Andrew J. Finch, PhD; Christine E. Grella, PhD; Keith Humphreys, PhD, AM; Sarah Zemore, PhD; and David Best, PhD (moderated by Amy Mericle, PhD and Lourah M. Kelly, PhD)

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12:00 - 1:00		Integrating Recovery Supports in Recuperative Care Settings	How Can We Best Support Peer Support Workers? A Multi-Level Examination from South Carolina	The Outcomes of Innovation in Opioid Addiction Treatment in Corrections
1:00 - 2:00		Expanding Recovery Housing Models: Exploring Different Pathways for Supporting Residents	Harnessing the Underutilized Power of Concerned Loved Ones as Treatment and Recovery Partners	
2:00 - 3:00	Meet with Supporters			
3:00 - 4:00		Bridging Ideologies: Exploring Harm Reduction in Collegiate Recovery Programs	Guiding the Next Generation of Leaders in Recovery Science Research	
4:00 - 5:00	Posters Slideshow and Awards			
5:00 - 6:00	Posters "Office Hours"			
6:00 - 7:00				

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Mentor/Mentee
Virtual Meet Up

12:00 -
1:00

Recovery Housing Sustainability:
Stakeholder-Centered Research

Multidirectional Learning within Equitable
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2:00

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Poster Presentations | Wednesday, April 23, 2025

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

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

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

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