

The Maryland Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration's Compass Bulletin

A Monthly Electronic-Newsletter for Maryland Addiction Treatment and Prevention Providers and Stakeholders

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The Editor's Corner

Welcome to the January 2002 edition of the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration's (ADAA) Compass Bulletin. The Bulletin is published monthly in e-mail format and posted on the ADAA website at <http://maryland-adaa.org> . If you would like to submit articles or information about coming events for the next edition of ADAA's Compass Bulletin or the quarterly Compass newsletter, contact Debbie Green by fax at 410-402-8601 or by e-mail at dgreen@dhmh.state.md.us with specific information about your program's accomplishments, special event or potential point of interest. The deadline for submissions to the Bulletin is the 15th of each month (unless otherwise indicated).

In order for you to receive the ADAA Compass Bulletin and Newsletter in a timely manner, we need you to keep us informed of any changes in your location or e-mail address. Please let me know by phone (410-402-8592), fax, or e-mail of any changes.

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Compass Bulletin Subscribers Update

We are in the process of updating our Compass Subscriber information. If you would like to receive both the monthly Compass Bulletin and the quarterly Compass Newsletter, e-mail the following information to me at: dgreen@dhmh.state.md.us

Name

Program Name

Your Title

Mailing Address
E-mail Address

If you know of any co-workers who would be interested in subscribing to the Compass or anyone whose e-mail address needs to be updated in the ADAA mailing list, please pass this information on them. If you have questions call Debbie Green at 410-402-8592.

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ADAA Announces Reorganization

The Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration has undergone some changes. We have recently reorganized the Administration's structure to enhance the delivery of our services to our customers.

The Administration is now divided into 5 divisions with each Division overseeing the administration of specific services. The Divisions and related service sections are as follows:

Management Services Division- Administration, Budget Office, Grants Management Services

Community Treatment and Prevention Services Division- Prevention Services, Treatment Services, Women's Services

Justice Services Division- Criminal Justice Services, Juvenile Justice Services, Tobacco Compliance

Information Services Division- Management Information Services, Computer Technology Services, eGovernment

Quality Assurance Division- Office of Education and Training for Addiction Services, Legislation and Regulations.

Attached to this e-mail is a copy of the ADAA's Organizational chart which you can also access on the ADAA website at : <http://maryland-adaa.org>

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ADAA COMAR Regulations

The COMAR Regulations for the Maryland Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration are scheduled to be published in Maryland Register on February 8, 2002. To access the regulations on-line visit www.dsd.state.md.us and enter a search for "Alcohol and Drug Abuse Regulations."

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OETAS Offers On-Line Training

Have you ever needed to take a course but because of conflicts in time, scheduling and availability you could not make the commitment necessary to attend?

Recognizing this dilemma, OETAS offers clinicians its first on-line course. "Pharmacology of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse" is a twenty-hour course that begins May 1, 2002 and ends June 15, 2002. By offering this course on-line for six weeks students will have the benefit of learning at their own pace, when it is convenient to them. Drive time will consist of the time that it takes to boot-up your computer.

Interested? A complete course description and application can be found in the OETAS Spring Training 2002 catalog. The catalog and application can be found on the ADAA website at www.maryland-adaa.org . To register, complete the application and mail with your payment to:

Institute of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Studies
OETAS/ADAA
55 Wade Avenue

Catonsville, MD 21228

You will receive from OETAS step-by-step directions on how to log on to begin taking your course. A CEU certificate for twenty hours will be issued to those course participants who pass the examination at the completion of the course.

Look for OETAS to expand its on-line course selection in the near future. If you have questions, contact OETAS at 410-402-8585.

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Clinical Supervision Conference

Attention Program Directors and Clinical Supervisors!
Save the Dates: Monday, April 15th and Tuesday, April 16th.

The Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration and the Central Eastern Addictions Technology Transfer Center will sponsor a conference entitled "The Art and Science of Clinical Supervision." The keynote speaker will be David Powell, author of "The Clinical Supervisor in Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counseling." The conference will also feature workshops and panel discussions by local experts in the field.

Details of the conference are forthcoming. We hope you can attend!!

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ADAA Prevention Symposium

The Maryland Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration will host a Prevention Symposium on May 9-10, 2002.

The Symposium titled, "Effective Strategies for the Future", will be held at the Sheraton Hotel, Baltimore North, Towson, Maryland. The event will provide information and research findings to assist prevention practitioners and involved citizens to enhance their local programming. The registration fee is \$75.00 and CEU's will be awarded.

For further information contact the ADAA Prevention Office at 410-402-8600 or the Program Advisors:

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Adolescent Admissions for Addiction Treatment Increase

SAMHSA NEWS RELEASE

The number of adolescents aged 12-17 admitted to substance abuse treatment increased 20 percent between 1994 and 1999 according to the latest Treatment Episode Data Set (TEDS) report released recently by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

Admissions for marijuana use grew from 43 percent of adolescent admissions in 1994 to 60 percent in 1999. In 1999, about half (51 percent) of adolescent marijuana admissions were referred to treatment through the criminal justice system. Among all admissions to substance

abuse treatment for marijuana in 1999, more than half (57 percent) first used marijuana by the age of 14, and 92 percent by the age of 18.

Four substances dominated TEDS treatment admissions in 1999: alcohol (47%), opiates (16%; primarily heroin), cocaine (14 %), and marijuana/hashish (14%). These four substances together accounted for 91% of admissions.

By providing information on changing geographic and demographic patterns in treatment admissions, TEDS reflects underlying trends in substance abuse with significant implications for program planning.

To obtain a complete copy of the "Treatment Episode Data Set (TEDS) 1-994-1999" report, contact SAMHSA's National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information at 1-800-729-6686, or at visit: <http://www.samhsa.gov> .

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Study Finds Naltrexone and Coping Skills Can Help Prevent Relapse

A research study at Brown University determined that the drug Naltrexone, along with coping-skills training, could help reduce the chances of relapse among alcoholics. Researchers studied 165 individuals with alcohol addiction. Participants completed a two-week daily treatment program in a partial-hospital setting, and were given either Naltrexone or a placebo for 90 days. One group received coping-skills training as part of the two-week treatment program.

The research found that participants given Naltrexone had fewer relapses, experienced a diminished "urge" to drink and consumed fewer drinks if they did relapse, than those who received the placebo. In addition, patients who received coping-skills training alone also had fewer relapses than those who did not receive the training.

The study is published in the November 2001 issue of Alcoholism: Clinical & Experimental Research. Access this information at: : www.alcoholism-cer.com

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Mid-ATTC to Host Conference on Adolescents and Substance Abuse

The conference will be held in Richmond, Virginia, at the Holiday Inn, Koger Center, May 13-15, 2002. Innovative programs and research findings on substance abuse treatment and prevention for adolescents will be presented by some of the top experts in the field.

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Kenneth Minkoff

Title of Presentation: "An Integrated Model for Treatment of Adolescents with Co-Occurring Psychiatric and Substance Disorders."

Look for the full Conference Brochure and Registration information to be mailed in February, or visit the conference website www.mid-attc.org/adolescent .

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Substance Abuse Intervention Services for the Deaf (SAISD)

SAISD provides on-line resources for deaf and hard-of-hearing people, their families and friends and professionals who work with deaf substance abusers:

<http://www.rit.edu/~257www/index.html>

The site also features a National Directory of Alcohol and Other Drugs Prevention and Treatment Programs Accessible to the Deaf :

http://www.rit.edu/%7E257www/national_directory/nat_directory.htm

SAISD Contact Information:

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The Maryland Drug and Alcohol Council Constituent Support Committee

Mental Health and Substance Abuse Parity

The Maryland Drug and Alcohol Council Constituent Support Committee Meeting held on December 12, 2001, presented an overview of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Parity issues in the State. The report states that, "Parity, as it relates to health benefit coverage for mental health and chemical dependency, prohibits insurers or health care service plans from discriminating between coverage offered for mental illnesses, biologically based mental illness, chemical dependency, and other physical disorders and diseases. In short, parity requires insurers to offer the same level of benefits for mental illness and/or chemical dependency as for other physical disorders and diseases."

The overview addressed the debate over parity, and identifies three principal issues: 1) financial effect; 2) the inclusion of chemical dependency; and 3) the inclusion of all mental illness vs. severe mental illnesses (SMI) only. The Committee compared Maryland's parity laws with parity laws in other states and found that, " Maryland's law has many positives."

For a complete copy of "An Overview of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Parity ", go to: <http://maryland-adaa.org/DAC/drugalccouncil/ParityPoints.PDF>

For the latest information on Drug and Alcohol Council meetings, committee meetings and meeting minutes visit: www.maryland-adaa.org/DAC/drugalccouncil/ParityPoints.PDF

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Annual Tuerk Conference: Women in Addiction

Baltimore Convention Center

Pratt and Sharp Streets

Baltimore, Maryland

Thursday, March 28, 2002

This year's conference, sponsored by the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence-Maryland Chapter, will feature Penny Ziegler, MD as the Keynote Speaker. Dr. Ziegler is the Medical Director of Williamsburg Place and the William J. Farley Center, Williamsburg, Virginia and Associate Clinical Professor, Psychiatry, Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. She has more than 20 years of experience in the fields of addictions and psychiatry and is a noted author and conference presenter. Dr. Ziegler holds certifications in General Psychiatry, American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology in Addiction Medicine, and the American Society of Addiction Medicine.

The conference will also feature Jude Boyer-Patrick, MD, MPH and William White, MA. Dr. Boyer-Patrick, Medical Director of Pathways Alcohol and Drug Treatment Program, Annapolis, Maryland, is an Addiction and Child/Adolescent Psychiatrist and holds a certification in Addiction Medicine by the American Society of Addiction Medicine. In addition, she consults at the Greater Baltimore Medical Center - Weinberg Community Health Center, Baltimore, Maryland and Stevenson Psychological Associates, Columbia, Maryland. Mr. White is a Senior Research Consultant at Chestnut Health Systems, Lighthouse Institute, Bloomington, Illinois. He has more than 30 years of experience in the addictions field and has authored more than 70 articles and monographs and seven books. His recent book, *Slaying the Dragon - The History of Addiction and Recovery in American*, received the McGovern Family Foundation Award for the best book on addiction recovery. Mr. White was featured in the Bill Moyer's PBS special "Close to Home: Addiction in America" and Showtime's documentary "Smoking, Drinking and Drugging in the 20th Century."

Please contact Betty Cox and Associates at 410-243-5943 or fax at 410-467-5943. Additional information, including a printable registration can also be obtained at the NCADD website: www.ncaddmaryland.org.

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Web Finds

The Drug Policy Alliance (formally the Lindesmith Center- Drug Policy Foundation) offers a large and diverse online library of full-text drug research and drug policy-related documents. The site offers a comprehensive and timely menu of topics providing both background essays and source materials. This is a valuable resource for Treatment and Prevention Professionals: <http://www.lindesmith.org>

The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) publishes a Statistical Briefing Book that provides basic information on juvenile crime and victimization and on youth involved in the juvenile justice system. This publication provides timely and reliable statistical answers to the most frequently asked questions of policymakers, the media, and the general public. <http://www.ncjrs.org/pdffiles1/fs9881.pdf>

The site also features research specific to the adolescent offender and substance abuse issues: <http://www.ncjrs.org/pdffiles1/fs9881.pdf>

In addition there is a resource page for funding adolescent initiatives posted on the OJJDP site at: <http://www.ojjdp.ncjrs.org/grants/otherag.html>

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Funding Opportunities

ADOLESCENT FAMILY LIFE DEMONSTRATION PROJECT

Fund Number: CFDA 93.995

Funder Name: Office of Adolescent Pregnancy

Programs, Office of Population Affairs, Office of Public Health & Science, Department of Health & Human Services

Fund Description: These grants are for community-based and community-supported demonstration projects to find effective means of preventing pregnancy by encouraging adolescents to abstain from sexual activity through provision of age-appropriate education on sexuality and decision-making skills. These grants should clearly and consistently focus on promoting abstinence as the most effective way of preventing unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections, including HIV. All adolescents under age 19 are eligible for services. Funds will be available for approximately 35 projects, which may be located in any State, the District of Columbia, and United States territories, commonwealths and possessions. The grant awards will range from \$150,000 to \$250,000. Grants may be approved for project periods of up to five years.

Application Deadline: March 11, 2002

Application Forms & Kit: Written requests for application kits may be faxed to (301) 594-5981. For further information, contact the OAPP Program Office at (301) 594-4004 or visit the OAPP website at:
<http://opa.osophs.dhhs.gov/>

OPEN SOCIETY INSTITUTE ANNOUNCES AFTER PRISON INITIATIVE

Funder Name: The Open Society Institute

Fund Description: The After Prison Initiative provides funding for advocacy efforts that facilitate the successful community reintegration of former prisoners and prevent recidivism and re-incarceration. Advocacy activities may include public education, media campaigns, and organizing; policy-driven research to support such campaigns; publicizing and institutionalizing successful re-entry programs; litigation to challenge barriers to reintegration; grassroots organizing and coalition building for alternative community justice solutions; and leadership development. Eligible applicants are non-profit organizations.

Application Deadline: Open

Application Guidelines: www.soros.org/crime/ or contact:
Open Society Institute, 400 West 50th Street, New York, NY 10019

NEWDEAL FOUNDATION DONATES HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE TO PROMOTE COMPUTER LITERACY

Funder Name: New Deal Foundation

Fund Description: Applications for support from the NewDeal Foundation, which donates computer hardware and software to promote computer literacy and provide Internet access to nonprofit organizations. Applications for hardware are limited to programs within the continental US, but applications for software are accepted from any country. Organizations that are tax-exempt under

Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or their international equivalents are eligible to apply.

Application Deadline: Open

Application Guidelines: NewDeal Foundation, 20 Holland Street, Fourth Floor, Somerville, Mass.02144

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