Grants

Michelle Lofwall and Sharon Walsh submitted a grant to Reckitt-Benckiser to evaluate a physician training and intervention in the four-state region (Kentucky, Virginia, Tennessee and West Virginia) to enhance physician practices aimed at reduction of buprenorphine diversion by patients.

Sharon Walsh wrote a proposal for financial support to Elsevier Publishers for a symposium organized for the upcoming College on Problems of Drug Dependence Meeting in June and Special Issue of Drug and Alcohol Dependence to cover the proceedings of this symposium (Opioid Receptor Neuropharmacology from the Cutting Edge to the Clinic: Knock-outs, Cross-talk and Behavior).

Publications


Knudsen, H. K., & Roman, P. M. Racial and ethnic composition as a correlate of medication availability within addiction treatment organizations. Revised manuscript re-submitted to Sociological Focus.


**Editorial and Reviews**

Jennifer Cole reviewed a manuscript for *Violence and Victims*.

Hannah Knudsen reviewed a manuscript for *Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment*.

Sharon Walsh, Lisa Shannon, Carrie Oser, Jennifer Haven and Robert Walker conducted the CDAR Petite Grant Reviews.

**Presentations**


Hannah Knudsen gave a presentation on August 21 to a Medication Interest Circle that was comprised of substance abuse treatment providers and state authorities in Kentucky. Her talk was entitled, “Adoption of medication assisted treatment in publicly funded substance abuse treatment.”


Lissa Orme presented “The Targeted Assessment Program” at the Rowan County Interagency Meeting held on August 7, 2008.

**Training**

Lissa Orme presented “The Targeted Assessment Program” at the Rowan County Interagency Meeting held on August 7, 2008.

Steve Cook trained new DUI Assessors in Richmond, KY on August 20.

**Kentucky Policy Making Bodies and Advisory Boards**

Robert Walker presented findings from the FY 2006 KTOS Follow-Up study and an overview of the state of substance abuse treatment services in Kentucky to a nationally coordinated meeting sponsored by Join Together. Three Kentucky legislators participated along with a member of the Kansas general assembly.

Beth Wahler facilitated the McCracken County Targeted Assessment Program Advisory Council/Community Partners Meeting in Paducah, KY on August 7, 2008.

Dreama Hedrick participated in a Laurel County Kentucky Agency for Substance Abuse Policy (KY-ASAP) meeting on August 7, 2008.
Stacye McQueen co-chaired the monthly meeting of the Floyd County Family Court Advisory Council in Prestonsburg, KY on August 8, 2008.

Barbara Ramlow and Tee Ellerbe participated in the Jefferson County Sobriety, Treatment and Recovery Team (START) Project Advisory Council meeting held in Louisville, Kentucky on August 12, 2008.

Chad Foster attended the Davies County KY-ASAP Board meeting on August 12, 2008.

Dia Booth Ling participated in the Jefferson County Sobriety, Treatment and Recovery Team (START) Project Advisory Council meeting held in Louisville, Kentucky on August 12, 2008.

Beth Wahler facilitated the Rowan County Targeted Assessment Program Advisory Council meeting held in Moorhead, KY on August 19, 2008.

Nicole Pilarski facilitated the Daviess and Henderson County Targeted Assessment Program Advisory Council meeting in Henderson, KY on August 19, 2008. Dia Booth Ling, Todd Palmer, and Tim Nugent also participated.

Jennifer Sherwood attended the Madison County Kentucky Alcohol and Substance Abuse Policy (KY-ASAP) Board meeting on August 20, 2008.

Stephanie Ratliff facilitated a meeting of the Perry and Breathitt County Targeted Assessment Program Advisory Council held in Hazard, KY on August 21, 2008.


Kim Griswold Dotson facilitated a meeting of the Hardin County TAP Advisory Council held in Elizabethtown, KY on August 25, 2008.

Kim Griswold Dotson facilitated a meeting of the Nelson County TAP Advisory Council held in Bardstown, KY on August 26, 2008.

**Information, Education and Consultation**

Barbara Ramlow provided consultation to Goodwill Industries about Targeted Assessment Program services on August 10, 2008.

Sharon Walsh was appointed as a Special Government Employee to the Food and Drug Administration to serve on an Advisory Committee for Anesthetic Life Support.

**Meetings on Substance Abuse**

Jill Sholar participated in the Christian County Adult Drug Court Treatment Team Staffing meetings held on August 11 and 18, 2008.

Kristie Kennedy attended a meeting of the Pulaski County UNITE Coalition on August 11, 2008.
Stephanie Ratliff participated in the Families in Safe Homes Network (FISHN) Executive Council meeting held in Jeff, KY on August 12, 2008.

Barbara Ramlow and Tee Ellerbe participated in a START fiscal year-end review and administrative planning meeting for the new fiscal year on August 12, 2008.

Penny Barnes and Dreama Hedrick attended a meeting of Laurel County’s UNITE Coalition on August 13, 2008.

Chad Foster and Dia Booth Ling participated in the Daviess County Treatment Providers meeting held in Owensboro on August 14, 2008.

Penny Barnes participated in the Laurel County Family Drug Court Treatment Team Staffing on August 18, 2008.

Shirley Thompson participated in a meeting of the Pike County UNITE Coalition on August 21, 2008.

Barbara Ramlow and Jill Gay, Kenton County Targeted Assessment Specialist, participated in a START Project administrative planning meeting on August 26, 2008.

**Media**

The Targeted Assessment Program (TAP) was featured in the summer 2008 edition of *UK Medicine*. Carl Leukefeld, Barbara Ramlow, and Scott Turner provided interviews for the article.

**Awards**

Kim Dotson and Beth Wahler traveled to Florence, KY on August 1, 2008 to facilitate a case conference with the Kenton, Boone, and Campbell County Targeted Assessment Specialists.