

**University of Kentucky**  
**Center on Drug and Alcohol Research**  
**Monthly Report**  
**January, 2008**

**Grants**

Hannah Knudsen and Carrie Oser received an invitation to submit a full proposal to the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Substance Abuse Policy Research Program.

Barbara Ramlow submitted a proposal to the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services for the continuation of Targeted Assessment Program and Substance Abuse and Domestic Program services in State Fiscal Year 2009. The total request was \$5.9 million dollars.

Robert Walker and Lisa Shannon developed and wrote a Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment grant to SAMHSA/CSAT for the Kentucky Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse with UK CDAR to run the program as well as conduct evaluative research. Erin Stevenson prepared the three year budgets for the project.

Sharon Walsh had a close out site visit with World Meds, Inc. after completion of the Phase III multi-site clinical trial in which we were a participating site.

I entered into a confidentiality agreement with Catalyst Pharmaceuticals for consideration as a participating site for an upcoming Phase III study of a medication for methamphetamine dependence.

**Publications**

Oser, C., Knudsen, H., Staton-Tindall, M., Taxman, F., & Leukefeld, C. Organizational-level correlates of the provision of detoxification services and medication-based treatments for drug and alcohol dependence in correctional institutions. Submitted for review at *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*.

Walsh, SL. Stoops WW, Moody DE, Lin SN and Bigelow GE. (submitted). Pharmacodynamic and Pharmacokinetic Effects of Repeated Oral Cocaine in Humans: Evidence for Acute but not Precipitated Withdrawal. *Journal of Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics*.

**Editorial and Reviews**

Sharon Walsh was appointed as an Editorial Board Member for *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*.

Jennifer Havens reviewed a manuscript for *Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease*.

Hannah Knudsen reviewed an article for *Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment*.

Lisa Shannon was appointed as a consulting editor to *Psychology of Women Quarterly*

## **Presentations**

Cole, J., Logan, T., & Shannon, L. (2008). Women's risk for revictimization by a new abusive partner: For what should we be looking? Poster presentation accepted to the Twelfth Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research (January 17-20, 2008, Washington, DC).

Knudsen, H. Modeling the Drinking Patterns of Young Workers: Marriage and Job Stressors as Mediators. Submitted for presentation at the American Sociological Association's annual meeting.

Shannon, L., Logan, T., Walker, R., Hays, L., & Newell, J. (2008). *Motivations for and barriers to long-term substance abuse treatment among pregnant, drug-dependent women in short-term treatment*. Poster presentation submitted at the Twelfth Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research (January 17-20, Washington, DC).

Walsh, SL. (submitted). Towards Better Safety in Pharmacotherapy: The Pharmacology of Opioid Safety. Invited abstract for Plenary presentation at meeting, Improving Outcomes in the Treatment of Opioid Dependence. London, England.

Walsh, SL. (submitted). Critical Differences in the Clinical Context: Critical Differences in the Pharmacology. Invited abstract for Plenary presentation at meeting, Improving Outcomes in the Treatment of Opioid Dependence. London, England.

## **Training**

Dave Clark gave a Clinical Services Supervision training at Eastern Kentucky University on January 22 and 23.

Robert Walker provided training to new staff in the Family Futures Drug Court on recovery coaching and recovery support services at the Administrative Office of the Court in Frankfort, Kentucky.

## **Kentucky Policy Making Bodies and Advisory Boards**

Stephanie Ratliff facilitated a Fayette County Targeted Assessment Program (TAP) Advisory Council meeting on January 10, 2008.

Barbara Ramlow and Tee Ellerbe traveled to Glasgow, KY on January 15, 2007 to participate in the Barren County Sobriety Treatment and Recovery Team (START) Advisory Council meeting.

Stephanie Ratliff traveled to Paintsville, KY on January 22, 2008 to facilitate a meeting of the Floyd and Johnson County Targeted Assessment Program (TAP) Advisory Council.

## **Information, Education and Consultation**

Sharon Walsh served as a member of the Program Committee for the College on Problems of Drug Dependence and reviewed abstracts for the upcoming meeting.

Hannah Knudsen participated in a focus group organized by Jamie Studts about his nicotine vaccine study.

Stephanie Ratliff traveled to Frankfort, KY on January 3, 2008 to participate in meeting regarding the development of an on-line course for the Kentucky Department of Education.

Barbara Ramlow and Kim Griswold Dotson traveled to Midway, KY on January 7, 2008 to participate on the planning committee meeting working on the development of a training series on child welfare practices for substance abuse and mental health professionals.

Barbara Ramlow, Christine Ward, Stephanie Haynes Ratliff, Kim Griswold Dotson, Beth Wahler, Renee Edington, Tee Ellerbe, and Carl Leukefeld, traveled to Frankfort, KY on January 8, 2008 for the quarterly administrative Targeted Assessment Program meeting with the Department for Community Based Services.

Robert Walker participated with the Kentucky Injury Prevention Center in developing a statewide data base of all data sets relating to injury, trauma, and diseases. KIPRC has a grant to develop this system over the next two years.

### **Meetings on Substance Abuse**

Kim Griswold Dotson and Beth Wahler facilitated a case conference with the Christian, Daviess, Henderson, McCracken and Nelson County Targeted Assessment Specialists on January 17, 2008.

Barbara Ramlow and Beth Wahler traveled to Frankfort, KY for the Kentucky Coalition for Women's Substance Abuse Services meeting on January 18, 2008.

Barbara Ramlow participated in a Barren County Sobriety, Treatment and Recovery Team (START) provider meeting via conference call on January 25, 2008.

Robert Walker represented the Kentucky Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse at a SAMHSA conference in Charleston, South Carolina on recovery oriented system of care that was intended to amend state service plans to include this new form of service in the array of state funded care.

### **Other**

Sharon Walsh submitted examination questions to the National Board of Medical Examiners on behalf of the American Society for Addiction Medicine as an appointed examiner.

Michelle Johnson went to North Laurel Middle School in London, KY on January 12, 2008 to host a Girls in Research Saturday session and Parent Meeting.

Michelle Johnson was a Science Fair Judge on behalf of the LTMS Science Fair on January 17, 2008.

Matt Webster and Carl Leukefeld are teaching the Dependency Behavior graduate seminar this semester.