Grants

Journals/Publications


Oser, C., Harp, K., O'Connell, D., Martin, S., & Leukefeld, C. Correlates of participation in self-help groups as well as voluntary and mandated substance abuse treatment among rural and urban probationers. Under review at the *Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment.*


Carl Leukefeld, Erik Carlton, Michele Staton-Tindall, and Melissa Delaney submitted the article, “Six-Month Follow-up Outcomes for TANF-Eligible Clients Involved in Kentucky’s Targeted Assessment Program,” to the Journal of Social Service Research.


**Editorial and Reviews**

Hannah Knudsen reviewed grant applications for the NIH Center for Scientific Research (Risk, Prevention, and Intervention in Addictions Overflow Committee) on March 3-4.

Carrie Oser reviewed a manuscript for the Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment.

William Stoops did manuscript reviews for Drug and Alcohol Dependence, Psychopharmacology and Substance Abuse and Rehabilitation.

Michelle Lofwall reviewed a manuscript for Drug and Alcohol Dependence.

Jennifer Cole reviewed an article for Journal of Interpersonal Violence.

Sharon Walsh served as a reviewer for Psychopharmacology.

**Training**

Beth Wahler traveled to Hartford, KY on March 3, 2011 to facilitate a Targeted Assessment Program Case Conference with Targeted Assessment specialists from McCracken, Muhlenberg, Christian, and Hopkins Counties.
Renee Edington traveled to Somerset, KY on March 4, 2011 to facilitate a Targeted Assessment Program Case Conference with Targeted Assessment Specialists from Pike, Pulaski, Laurel, Martin, Magoffin, Knott, Letcher, Johnson and Floyd Counties.

Stephanie Ratliff traveled to Prestonsburg, KY on March 8, 2011 to facilitate a Targeted Assessment Program Case Conference attended by Targeted Assessment Specialists from Boyd, Breathitt, Fayette, Floyd, Lee, Leslie, Madison, Owsley, Perry, and Rowan Counties.

Kim Griswold Dotson and Beth Wahler traveled to Covington, KY to facilitate the Targeted Assessment Program Case Conference with the Boone, Campbell and Kenton County Targeted Assessment Specialists on March 14, 2011.

Stephanie Ratliff and Renee Edington traveled to Slade, KY to facilitate a Targeted Assessment Program Case Conference with Targeted Assessment Specialists from Pike, Pulaski, Laurel, Martin, Magoffin, Knott, Letcher, Johnson, Floyd, Madison, Breathitt, Perry, Fayette, Rowan, Boyd, Lee, Owsley and Leslie Counties. The Case Conference featured discussion facilitated by Barbara Ramlow, TAP Director, and presentations by Jane Stephenson, New Opportunities School for Women, and Rhonda Barnett, Fayette County Targeted Assessment Specialist.

Rhonda Barnett, LCSW, provided “Vicarious Trauma” training at the Targeted Assessment Program Case Conference held at Natural Bridge State Resort Park held on March 23, 2011.

Stephanie Ratliff provided “Crisis Management and Responding to Mental Health and Substance Abuse Issues” training to the Kentucky Domestic Violence Association for Level I Certification in Frankfort, KY on March 24, 2011.

Barbara Ramlow and Amy Ward provided a training for Fayette County Family Court Judges on March 25, 2011 entitled, “Assessment and Evaluation Overview” as part of the Fayette County Best Practice Court initiative.

Kim Griswold Dotson traveled to Shepherdsville, KY to facilitate a Targeted Assessment Program Case Conference with the Daviess, Hardin, Henderson, McLean, Nelson and Ohio County Targeted Assessment Specialists on March 28, 2011.

Michelle Lofwall was the course director and a speaker for a 4.5 hour CME entitled “Decreasing the risk and protecting office-based buprenorphine treatment: Buprenorphine diversion and misuse” in Lexington on March 5.

Sharon Walsh served as a speaker at a Continuing Medical Education event for physicians sponsored by the Office of Drug Control Policy of Kentucky in Lexington, KY on March 5, 2011.

**Kentucky Policy Making Bodies and Advisory Boards**

Stephanie Ratliff traveled to Booneville, KY to facilitate a meeting of the Lee/Owsley County Targeted Assessment Program Advisory Council on March 9, 2011.

Stephanie Ratliff traveled to Hazard, KY to facilitate a meeting of the Perry/Breathitt County Targeted Assessment Program Advisory Council on March 14, 2011.
Renee Edington facilitated a meeting of the Pike County Targeted Assessment Program Advisory Council on March 16, 2011.

Renee Edington facilitated a meeting of the Floyd-Johnson County Targeted Assessment Program Advisory Council in Paintsville, KY on March 22, 2011.

On March 27, 2011, Garnet Sexton, Perry County Targeted Assessment Specialist, was re-elected to the People Advocating Recovery (PAR) Board of Directors to serve another two-year term.

**Information, Education and Consultation**

Hannah Knudsen provided consultation to Inflexxion, Inc. about the development of a training manual for substance abuse treatment counselors about the use of medication-assisted treatment.

William Stoops consulted as an expert witness with the Lexington Public Defenders Office.

Carl Leukefeld, Barbara Ramlow, Stephanie Ratliff, Kim Griswold Dotson, Beth Wahler and Erik Carlton participated in a quarterly update meeting with the Department for Community Based Services Division of Protection and Permanency on March 10, 2011.

Barbara Ramlow facilitated a meeting of the Fayette County Best Practice Court Assessment Subcommittee on March 10, 2011.

Kim Griswold Dotson traveled to Elizabethtown, KY to attend a Best Practices Court Steering Committee meeting on March 10, 2011.

Renee Edington facilitated a biannual Cumberland Region DCBS/TAP management meeting with regional and local DCBS staff and Targeted Assessment Specialists from Laurel and Pulaski Counties on March 15, 2011.

Beth Wahler facilitated the Christian/Hopkins/Muhlenberg DCBS/TAP Management Meeting on March 16, 2011. Regional and local DCBS staff participated in the meeting, as well as Targeted Assessment Specialists from all three counties.

Beth Wahler facilitated the McCracken County Targeted Assessment Program/Community Partners Meeting on March 17, 2011.

Kim Griswold Dotson chaired a meeting of the Best Practices Court Assessment Protocol Committee in Elizabethtown, KY on March 17, 2011.

Stephanie Ratliff, Melissa Arnett, Rhonda Barnett, Susan Ross, and Amy Ward met with clinical staff at The Nest on March 16, 2011 to collaborate on the development of a specialized parenting group for Targeted Assessment Program participants focused on substance use, mental health, and victimization. This therapeutic parenting group will begin in May 2011.

Barbara Ramlow chaired a meeting of the Fayette County Best Practice Court Assessment Committee on March 25, 2011.
Michelle Lofwall gave a 2 hour lecture to UK medical students on substance use disorders on March 8.

Michelle Lofwall gave a 1.15 hour lecture to UK physician assistant students on substance use disorders on March 3. 
Michelle Lofwall developed test questions for the American Academy of Addiction Psychiatry Maintenance of Certification exam.

Numerous CDAR faculty members met with a visiting international delegation sponsored through the State Department from Turkmenistan to discuss substance abuse treatment in the United States.

Media

Meetings on Substance Abuse

Sharon Walsh participated in the monthly Fayette County Mayor’s advisory council on substance abuse on March 10, 2011.

Presentations

Michelle Lofwall gave a talk entitled “Epidemiology, prevention, and treatment of opioid dependence” to the Kentucky Psychiatric Medical Association annual meeting in Louisville on March 26.

Sharon Walsh was invited to speak at the founding meeting of a new conference entitled “ROADMAPS: Recovery-Oriented Addiction Medicine – Asia-Pacific Seminars”. The ROADMAPS initiative is intended to advance the quality of opioid dependence treatment in the Asia-Pacific region and will take place in Bali, 12–14th August 2011.

Awards