

Methamphetamine Addiction: Cause for Concern – Hope for the Future

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Noon - 2:00 pm
(Lunch will be served)
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Methamphetamine dependence has become a pervasive public health problem because it is easy to make and it is highly addictive. Policy-makers and the general public are asking how we can decrease the toll methamphetamine is taking on our society. Come hear about NIDA's approach. By translating research results into effective community treatment interventions, we can now implement what we know is working to help methamphetamine addicted individuals return to productive and fulfilling lives.

Speakers:

Nora Volkow, MD, Director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse, will provide an overview of the NIDA methamphetamine research portfolio.

Richard Rawson, PhD, Associate Director, UCLA Integrated Substance Abuse Programs, Department of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Science, University of California – Los Angeles will discuss results from his NIDA-funded Matrix treatment research.

Vicki Sickels, A counselor in a research program in Des Moines, Iowa will provide her personal perspective on recovering from methamphetamine addiction.

Positive RSVPs only to Sara Robinson by phone (202.336.5935) or email (srobinson@apa.org)

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