

CENTER FOR DRUG USE AND HIV | HCV RESEARCH

# **Quarterly Newsletter**Winter 2017

### Upcoming Events

March 14 AIDS Seminar Arthur Caplan

**April 4** mHealth Mini-Conference

**April 11**AIDS Seminar
Joshua Lee

May 9 AIDS Seminar Yih-Ing Hser

#### **CDUHR Events**

CDUHR recently sponsored two significant research events. In December 2016, the Center held our **Annual Mini-Conference**. The focus this year was on the issue of structural variables and their relation to health outcomes and to intervention development. The presentations served to inform current and future work by our investigators. We are currently drafting a CDUHR Research to Implementation Brief, as part of our Mini-Conference follow-up, to summarize the research on syringe service programs, a structural-level factor shown to reduce HIV and HCV infection among people who inject drugs. Presentation slides can be found on our website, cduhr.org.

The Center also co-sponsored an event at Emory University, the **Southern Opioid Epidemic Symposium**, which brought together researchers, leaders in public health, and government stakeholders to advance a response to the current opioid epidemic in the South. The meeting was successful, and we anticipate that the relationships built between the key players will continue in supporting collaborative research efforts and the implementation of effective interventions to address this dire problem.

#### **New Affiliated Investigators**



**Janna Ataiants, MPA**NYU Meyers



**Stephanie Campos, PhD** NYU Meyers



**Kelly Doran, MD, MHS**NYU School of Medicine



**Camila Gelpí-Acosta, PhD** NDRI

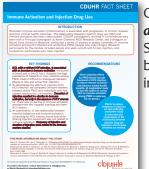


Joshua Lee, MD, MSc NYU School of Medicine



Andrew Rosenblum, PhD
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#### **CDUHR Dissemination Activities**



Our most recent Fact Sheet, *Immune Activation* and *Injection Drug Use*, provides results from Sherry Deren's work. It concerns the relationship between injection drug use behaviors and immune activation.

We also recently produced the Research to Implementation Brief, Incarceration and HIV in the US: A Call to Expand

**Services.** The brief provides recommendations for reducing risks for incarcerated persons.



## New Projects from CDUHR-Affiliated Investigators

**Camila Gelpí-Acosta** was recently awarded an Ro3 from NIDA for her project, Risk Acculturation and Risk-enculturation Among Migrant Puerto Rican Drug Injectors.

**Stephanie Campos** was awarded pilot funds from CDUHR for her project, HIV/HCV Community Vulnerability: PWID, MSM, and Sexual Network Bridging, to collect data in Medellín, Columbia, to demonstrate feasibility of the recruitment/specimen collection design.

#### **Selected CDUHR-Affiliated Investigators' Recent Publications**

**Aronson ID, Bennett AS, Guarino H**, Marsch LA, & Bania TC (2016) Mobile interventions to increase HIV testing among underserved: high-risk populations. Proceedings of the 2016 ACM Workshop on Multimedia for Personal Health and Health Care, doi: 10.1145/2985766.2988532.

**Bennett A, Aronson ID, Guarino H**, Bania T, & Marsch LA (2016) Perspectives on tablet-based multimedia interventions for behavioral health: populations, venues, and delivery modalities. Proceedings of the 2016 ACM Workshop on Multimedia for Personal Health and Health Care, doi: 10.1145/2985766.2985773.

**Deren S, Cleland CM**, Lee H, Mehandru S, & Markowitz M (2016) The relationship between injection drug use risk behaviors and markers of immune activation. JAIDS, doi: 10.1097/QAI.000000000001270.

Des Jarlais DC, Arasteh K, Feelemyer J, McKnight C, Tross S, Perlman DC, Campbell AN, Hagan H, & Cooper HL (2016) Decline in herpes simplex virus type 2 among non-injecting heroin and cocaine users in New York City, 2005 to 2014: prospects for avoiding a resurgence of human immunodeficiency virus. Sexually Transmitted Diseases, 44, 85-90.

**Dunlap E** & Townes J (2016) Violence and the illicit drug market: before during and after disasters. Sociology and Criminology, 4, 141.

Friedman SR, Pouget ER, Sandoval M, Rossi D, Mateu-Gelabert P, Nikolopoulos GK, Schneider JA, Smyrnov P, & Stall RD (2016) Interpersonal attacks on the dignity of members of HIV key populations: a descriptive and exploratory study. AIDS and Behavior, doi: 10.1007/s10461-016-1578-4.

**Goldsamt LA**, Clatts MC, **Yu G**, Le B, & Colby DJ (2016) Human trafficking and emerging sex risk environments in Vietnam: a preliminary profile of a sex work "shared house". Journal of Human Trafficking, doi: 10.1080/23322705.2016.1193343.

**Gwadz M**, **Cleland CM**, **Perlman DC**, **Hagan H**, Jenness SM, **Leonard NR**, Ritchie AS, & Kutnick A (2016) Identifying undiagnosed HIV in heterosexuals: Public health benefit of peer-referral strategies for detecting undiagnosed HIV infection among high-risk heterosexuals in New York City. JAIDS, doi: 10.1097/QAI.000000000001257.

**Halkitis PN**, Griffin-Tomas M, Levy MD, Greene RE, & **Kapadia F** (2016) Associations of perceived parental psychopathology with mental health burden and lifetime drug use in gay, bisexual, and other YMSM: the P18 cohort study. Journal of Homosexuality, doi: 10.1080/00918369.2016.1249734.

Han BH, Moore AA, Sherman S, Keyes KM, & Palamar JJ (2017) Demographic trends of binge alcohol use and alcohol use disorders among older adults in the United States, 2005-2014. Drug and Alcohol Dependence, 170, 198-207.

Han BH, Sherman S, Mauro PM, Martins SS, Rotenberg J, & Palamar JJ (2016) Demographic trends among older cannabis users in the United States, 2006-2013. Addiction, doi: 10.1111/add.13670.

**Jordan AE** & **Perlman DC** (2016) The shift in emphasis from risk-based to age-based hepatitis C virus (HCV) testing in the US tends to remove injection drug use from discourse on HCV. Substance Use and Misuse, 52, 340-350.

**Manuel JI**, Yuan Y, Herman DB, Svikis DS, Nichols O, Palmer E, & **Deren S** (2017) Barriers and facilitators to successful transition from long-term residential substance abuse treatment. Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment, 74, 16-22.

**Palamar JJ** (2016) There's something about molly: the under-researched yet popular powder form of ecstasy in the United States. Substance Abuse, doi: 10.1080/08897077.2016.1267070.0.

**Perlman DC** & **Jordan AE** (2016) To neither target, capture, surveille nor wage war: on-going need for attention to metaphor theory in care and prevention for people who use drugs. Journal of Addictive Diseases, 36, 1-4.

**Perlman DC**, **Jordan AE**, & Nash D (2016) Conceptualizing care continua: lessons from HIV, hepatitis C virus, tuberculosis and implications for the development of improved care and prevention continua. Frontiers in Public Health, 4, 296.

**Simmons J**, Rajan S, **Goldsamt L**, & **Elliot L** (2016) Implementation of online opioid overdose prevention, recognition and response trainings for professional first responders: year 1 survey results. Drug and Alcohol Dependence, 169, 1-4.

**Tofighi B**, Campbell AN, Pavlicova M, Hu MC, **Lee JD**, & Nunes EV (2016) Recent internet use and associations with clinical outcomes among patients entering addiction treatment involved in a web-delivered psychosocial intervention study. Journal of Urban Health, 93, 871-883.

**Wolfson-Stofko B, Bennett AS, Elliott L, & Curtis R** (2016) Drug use in business bathrooms: An exploratory study of manager encounters in New York City. International Journal on Drug Policy, 39, 69-77.

Wolfson-Stofko B, Curtis R, Fuentes F, Manchess E, Del Rio-Cumba A, & Bennett AS (2016) The portapotty experiment: neoliberal approaches to the intertwined epidemics of opioid-related overdose and HIV/HCV, and why we need cultural anthropologists in the South Bronx. Dialectical Anthropology, 40, 395-410.

Find a complete list of publications at cduhr.org



