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### **KETAMINE COUSIN RAPIDLY LIFTS DEPRESSION WITHOUT SIDE EFFECTS**

GLYX-13, a molecular cousin to ketamine, induces similar antidepressant results without the street drug side effects, reported a study funded by the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) that was published last month in *Neuropsychopharmacology*.

**Science Update:** <http://www.nimh.nih.gov/news/science-news/2013/ketamine-cousin-rapidly-lifts-depression-without-side-effects.shtml>

### **TAMING SUSPECT GENE REVERSES SCHIZOPHRENIA-LIKE ABNORMALITIES IN MICE; NIH-FUNDED STUDY RAISES HOPE FOR RECOVERY OF SOME ADULT PATIENTS, DESPITE EARLY DAMAGE**

Scientists have reversed behavioral and brain abnormalities in adult mice that resemble some features of schizophrenia by restoring normal expression to a suspect gene that is over-expressed in humans with the illness. Targeting expression of the gene Neuregulin 1, which makes a protein important for brain development, may hold promise for treating at least some patients with the brain disorder, say researchers funded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

**Press Release:** <http://www.nimh.nih.gov/news/science-news/2013/taming-suspect-gene-reverses-schizophrenia-like-abnormalities-in-mice.shtml>

### **VA, DOD AND HHS PARTNER TO EXPAND ACCESS TO MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR VETERANS, SERVICE MEMBERS AND FAMILIES; INTER-AGENCY EFFORT TO INCREASE ACCESS TO MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES RESPONDS TO EXECUTIVE ORDER**

The Departments of Veterans Affairs (VA), Defense (DoD), and Health and Human Services (HHS) announced the progress made to date on initiatives called for in President Obama's August 31, 2012, Executive Order to Improve Access to Mental Health Services for Veterans, Service Members, and their families. The Departments released an interim report outlining progress on this initiative, including: 1) increasing the capacity of the Veterans Crisis Line by 50 percent to help ensure that Veterans in crisis can readily reach help; 2) establishing 15 pilot projects in seven states where VA is working with community-based mental health providers to help Veterans access mental health services in a timely way; 3) increasing VA mental health services capacity through VA hiring of nearly 1,400 mental health providers and over 248 new peer specialists; and 4) implementing a national suicide prevention campaign to connect Veterans and Service Members to mental health services.

**Press Release:** <http://www.hhs.gov/news/press/2013pres/05/20130521a.html>

## **NEW CAMPAIGN TO HELP PARENTS TALK TO YOUNGER CHILDREN ABOUT THE DANGERS OF UNDERAGE DRINKING**

“Talk. They Hear You.,” a new national public education campaign that empowers parents to talk to children as young as nine years old about the dangers of underage drinking was launched by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). The kickoff occurred in conjunction with SAMHSA’s 2013 National Prevention Week—an annual health observance dedicated to increasing awareness of, and action around, substance abuse and mental health issues. SAMHSA’s latest report on underage drinking shows that more than a quarter of American youth engage in underage drinking.

**Press Release:** <http://www.samhsa.gov/newsroom/advisories/1305134523.aspx>

## **SAMHSA APPOINTS ELINORE F. MCCANCE-KATZ, M.D. TO THE NEW POSITION OF CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER**

SAMHSA announced the appointment of Elinore F. McCance-Katz, M.D., Ph.D. as SAMHSA’s first chief medical officer. In this capacity she will provide medical-scientific expertise to SAMHSA’s major behavioral health efforts, including those promoting the prevention of mental illnesses and substance use disorders (SUDs), as well as the treatment and recovery of people from these conditions. Dr. McCance-Katz also will work with leading scientists in the field of behavioral health to ensure that SAMHSA is advancing the most effective, state-of-the-art, evidence-based approaches to promoting the nation’s behavioral health services. She also will represent SAMHSA on key departmental groups requiring medical expertise and work with stakeholder groups on clinical issues.

**Press Release:** <http://www.samhsa.gov/newsroom/advisories/1305203306.aspx>

## **MORE THAN ONE IN FIVE PARENTS BELIEVE THEY HAVE LITTLE INFLUENCE IN PREVENTING TEENS FROM USING ILLICIT SUBSTANCES; IN FACT, PARENTS ARE AMONG THE MOST INFLUENTIAL FACTORS IN PREVENTING CHILDREN’S SUBSTANCE USE**

A new report indicates that more than one in five parents of teens aged 12 to 17 think what they say has little influence on whether or not their child uses illicit substances, tobacco, or alcohol. This SAMHSA report also shows one in 10 parents said they did not talk to their teens about the dangers of using tobacco, alcohol, or other drugs even though 67.6 percent of these parents who had not spoken to their children thought they would influence whether their child uses drugs if they spoke to them.

**Press Release:** <http://www.samhsa.gov/newsroom/advisories/1305230959.aspx>

## STUDY OF “SCREEN TIME” ON MOOD, MEMORY, AND COGNITION WINS TOP NIH ADDICTION SCIENCE AWARD

An exploration of electronic “screen time” and sleep on mood, memory, and learning was given the top Addiction Science Award at the 2013 Intel International Science and Engineering Fair—the world’s largest science competition for high school students. The awards are coordinated by the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) and Friends of NIDA, a coalition that supports NIDA’s mission.

**Press Release:** <http://www.drugabuse.gov/news-events/news-releases/2013/05/study-screen-time-mood-memory-cognition-wins-top-nih-addiction-science-award>

## VA ANNOUNCES NEW GRANTS TO HELP END VETERANS’ HOMELESSNESS

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has announced two new grants to support Secretary Eric K. Shinseki’s goal of ending Veterans’ homelessness in 2015. Under these new programs, homeless providers can apply for funding to enhance the facilities used to serve homeless Veterans, and acquire vans to facilitate transportation of these individuals.

**Press Release:** <http://www.va.gov/opa/pressrel/pressrelease.cfm?id=2445>

### RESOURCES: PUBLICATIONS, TOOLKITS, OTHER RESOURCES

## NEW ON NIMH WEBSITE

### OUTREACH PARTNER MAP

Developed by the NIMH Outreach Partnership Program, this new online map provides information about the Program’s 55 Outreach Partners. Use the map to learn about Outreach Partner efforts to address children and adolescent mental health and mental health disparities in their states.

<http://www.nimh.nih.gov/outreach/partnership-program/partner-activities.shtml>

## BRAINFEEBACK.NIH.GOV

NIH has launched new site as the place for the broader community to discuss the new BRAIN (Brain Research through Advancing Innovative Neurotechnologies) Initiative and provide important feedback regarding the BRAIN Initiative’s scientific agenda. This Initiative, launched by President Obama on April 2, 2013 focuses on accelerating the development and application of innovative new technologies to enable scientists to create a dynamic picture of brain function. <http://brainfeedback.nih.gov/>

## MENTAL HEALTH SURVEILLANCE AMONG CHILDREN — UNITED STATES, 2005–2011

This Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) report summarizes information about ongoing Federal surveillance systems that can provide estimates of the prevalence of mental disorders and indicators of mental health among children living in the United States, and presents estimates of childhood mental disorders and indicators from these systems during 2005 to 2011. Attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder (6.8%) was the most prevalent parent-reported current diagnosis among children aged 3 to 17 years old, followed by behavioral or conduct problems (3.5%), anxiety (3.0%), depression (2.1%), autism spectrum disorders (1.1%), and Tourette syndrome (0.2% among children aged 6 to 17 years old). The overall suicide rate for persons aged 10 to 19 years old was 4.5 suicides per 100,000 persons in 2010. Approximately 8% of adolescents aged 12 to 17 years old reported 14 or more mentally unhealthy days in the past month.

<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/su6202a1.htm>

## SAMHSA RESOURCES

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### SUICIDAL THOUGHTS AMONG ASIANS, NATIVE HAWAIIANS, OR OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDERS

According to the combined 2008 to 2011 National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH), each year about 8.5 million adults aged 18 or older had serious thoughts of suicide. This number includes about 315,000 Asians, Native Hawaiians, or other Pacific Islanders each year. Asians, Native Hawaiians, or other Pacific Islanders had a lower rate of suicidal thoughts (2.8 percent) than the national average (3.7 percent).

<http://www.samhsa.gov/data/2K13/Spotlight/Spot118-suicidal-thoughts.pdf>

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### NEED FOR AND RECEIPT OF SUBSTANCE USE TREATMENT AMONG ASIAN AMERICANS AND PACIFIC ISLANDERS

This issue of NSDUH Report looks at the need for and receipt of substance use treatment among Asian Americans or Pacific Islanders and persons of other racial and ethnic groups aged 12 or older.

<http://www.samhsa.gov/data/2k13/NSDUH125/sr125-aapi-tx.pdf>

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### SAMHSA NEWS: PREVENTING SCHOOL VIOLENCE: A SUSTAINABLE APPROACH

The latest issue of *SAMSHA News* focuses on preventing school violence through involvement by the whole community — school personnel, law enforcement, the mental health system, community-based organizations, families, and young people. The Departments of Justice, Health, and Education Safe Schools/Healthy Students program is described.

<http://www.samhsa.gov/samhsaNewsletter/default.aspx>

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## BEHAVIORAL HEALTH TREATMENT NEEDS ASSESSMENT TOOLKIT FOR STATES

This toolkit presents prevalence of substance use disorders and mental illness, and use of behavioral health services in the U.S. It offers guidance on determining the appropriate mix of behavioral health benefits, services, and providers to meet state needs. <http://store.samhsa.gov/product/Behavioral-Health-Treatment-Needs-Assessment-Toolkit-for-States/All-New-Products/SMA13-4757>

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## SYSTEMS-LEVEL IMPLEMENTATION OF SCREENING, BRIEF INTERVENTION, AND REFERRAL TO TREATMENT

This resource describes core elements of screening, brief intervention, and referral to treatment (SBIRT) programs for people with or at risk for SUDs. It describes SBIRT services implementation, covering challenges, barriers, cost, and sustainability. <http://store.samhsa.gov/product/TAP-33-Systems-Level-Implementation-of-Screening-Brief-Intervention-and-Referral-to-Treatment-SBIRT-/SMA13-4741>

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## ONLINE PRIMARY CARE COURSE FOR SUBSTANCE USE PROFESSIONALS

The SAMHSA-Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Center for Integrated Health Solutions, in collaboration with the Addiction Technology Transfer Center Network and the Morehouse School of Medicine National Center for Primary Care, has developed a five-hour, self-paced online course for addiction treatment professionals considering career opportunities in primary care. The free course provides these professionals with resources and information to help them decide whether working in a primary care setting is right for them. <https://www.thedatabank.com/dpg/423/donate.asp?formid=meetb&c=939837>

## BULLYING INFOGRAPHIC: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

StopBullying.gov announced its first infographic, with research and statistics on what bullying is and how to prevent it. The infographic illustrates the many forms of bullying, the prevalence of bullying, and the impact of bullying on youth. It is part of a comprehensive *Bullying Prevention Training Module*, a resource designed to empower community leaders and help them organize bullying prevention efforts in their neighborhoods, schools, and beyond. <http://www.stopbullying.gov/image-gallery/what-you-need-to-know-infographic.html>

## HOW TO IMPROVE FAMILY DRUG COURT SERVICES WITH BEST PRACTICES

This resource provides a blueprint on implementing evidence-based practices in family drug court services. With support from the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Children and Family Futures partnered with leading drug court organizations and practitioners to synthesize the results of a national review of family drug court policies and practices, and relevant research literature. The new guidelines provide a roadmap for states and local jurisdictions to implement evidence-based practices in family drug courts. <http://www.cffutures.org/files/publications/FDC-Guidelines.pdf>

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## HEALTHY PEOPLE 2020: MENTAL HEALTH

This bulletin reviews the Healthy People 2020 “Leading Health Indicators” (LHI) for mental health. LHIs are critical health issues that—if addressed—will dramatically reduce the leading causes of death and preventable illnesses. The LHIs for mental health are “Suicides” and “Adolescents who experience major depressive episodes.” <http://content.govdelivery.com/bulletins/gd/USOPHSODPHPHF-7c29ad>

### EVENTS

## PTSD AWARENESS MONTH

JUNE 2013

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The National Center for PTSD provides resources to promote awareness of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and effective treatments during the month of June. [http://www.ptsd.va.gov/about/ptsd-awareness/ptsd\\_awareness\\_month.asp](http://www.ptsd.va.gov/about/ptsd-awareness/ptsd_awareness_month.asp)

## ONLINE GRANT AND PROPOSAL WRITING COURSE

JUNE 13, 20, AND 27, 2013, 10:00AM—11:00AM ET

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The National Network of Libraries of Medicine Middle Atlantic Region is offering a free, online course for grants and proposal writing. Designed for beginning grant proposal writers, this class presents a general overview of the grant and funding processes as well as the level of detail required in a successful proposal. Each component of the grant writing process will be addressed, including: documenting the need; identifying the target population; writing measurable objectives; and developing a work plan addressing evaluation and dissemination. The course will consist of three one-hour Adobe Connect webinars and a planning assignment. [http://nnlm.gov/mar/training/register.html?schedule\\_id=2291](http://nnlm.gov/mar/training/register.html?schedule_id=2291)

## MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT FOR SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS: RESEARCH AND PRACTICE

JUNE 15, 2013, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

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This training will provide practitioners, clinicians, clinical supervisors, healthcare providers, researchers, and other participants the opportunity to learn the latest information and best practices on medication-assisted treatment for SUDs. This preconference session is sponsored by SAMHSA and NIDA in conjunction with the 75th Annual Meeting of the College on Problems of Drug Dependence, June 15–20, 2013. Registration for this training is free. Also, free Continuing Education Units will be available for training participants.

<http://www.seiservices.com/samhsa/cpdd2013/Registration.aspx>

## TREATMENT INNOVATIONS: PERSPECTIVES FROM ADDICTION PROVIDERS INTEGRATING PRIMARY CARE

JUNE 24, 2013, 12:00 PM—1:30 PM ET

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Addiction provider organizations increasingly provide onsite primary care to the people they serve through partnerships with community health centers, or by expanding their in-house capacity. This interactive SAMHSA-HRSA Center for Integrated Health Solutions (CIHS) webinar will explore the practical knowledge and on-the-ground experiences of addiction treatment-primary care integrations efforts of three providers, which also are represented in CIHS' new report, *Innovations in Addictions Treatment: Addiction Treatment Providers Working with Integrated Primary Care Services*. <http://www.integration.samhsa.gov/about-us/webinars>

## WEBINAR: SCREENING FOR PTSD IN PRIMARY CARE: A SYSTEMATIC REVIEW

JUNE 25, 2013 12:00 PM—1:15 PM ET

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This VA Health Services Research and Development Service webinar will review research on screening for PTSD in primary care. <https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/320161494>

## 2013 NIH REGIONAL SEMINAR ON PROGRAM FUNDING AND GRANTS ADMINISTRATION

JUNE 26–28, 2013, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

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The NIH Regional Seminar on Program Funding and Grants Administration is intended for those new to the grants process, including sponsored project officers and departmental administrators, investigators, faculty, graduate students, etc. Over the course of two days, it also provides an opportunity to those with more experience to obtain updates on grants policies and procedures. Due to the popularity of these seminars, early registration is highly recommended. Space is limited. An optional NIH Electronic Research Administration (eRA) workshop is offered the day before the two-day seminar. This workshop will be one full day for one price. It is designed for administrators and investigators who are new to working with NIH, using the eRA Commons, and desire a better understanding of the overall electronic grants process. [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/regionalseminars/Baltimore\\_2013/index.html](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/regionalseminars/Baltimore_2013/index.html)

## EVERYONE PLAYS A ROLE IN SUICIDE PREVENTION

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, JUNE 27, 2013, 9:00 AM—12:30 PM CT

WEBCAST: 10:00 AM—12:00 PM ET

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The Region V HHS SAMHSA and the Office of Women’s Health are co-sponsoring a free event designed to support and promote the National Strategy for Suicide Prevention (the National Strategy). “Everyone Plays a Role in Suicide Prevention: Turning Strategy into Action” will be held in Chicago and will be webcast nationwide. Participants will learn more about the National Strategy, available tools, resources, and the ultimate goal of eliminating the tragic experience of suicide. Organizations are encouraged to attend the event, inform colleagues, and/or serve as “echo sites” for the webcast.

<http://www.blsm meetings.net/EveryonePlaysARole/>

## WEBINAR: VIOLENCE RISK ASSESSMENT

JUNE 27, 2013, 1:00 PM—2:30 PM ET

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This Defense Centers of Excellence for Psychological Health and Traumatic Brain Injury webinar will address violence risk assessment. [http://www.dcoe.health.mil/Training/Monthly\\_Webinars.aspx](http://www.dcoe.health.mil/Training/Monthly_Webinars.aspx)

## CLINICAL TRIAL PARTICIPATION NEWS

### NATIONWIDE RECRUITMENT: BIPOLAR DISORDER (PEDIATRIC) RESEARCH STUDY

#### DESCRIPTIVE STUDY OF BIPOLAR DISORDER

(Outpatient: 1-3 visits and may include follow-up visits until age 25)

This study describes, over time, the moods and behavior of children. Participants must have a diagnosis of bipolar disorder, be currently in treatment with a physician, medically healthy and not currently hospitalized, psychotic, or suicidal. The study includes performing research & computer tasks, neuropsychological testing, and MRI brain imaging. Recruiting ages 6-17. [00-M-0198]

To find out about study criteria and qualifications, or for more information, please call (301 496-8381) or email [bipolarkids@mail.nih.gov](mailto:bipolarkids@mail.nih.gov). <http://patientinfo.nimh.nih.gov/BipolarDisorderPediatric.aspx>

National Institute of Mental Health, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services.

For more information on research conducted by the National Institute of Mental Health in Bethesda, MD click here <http://patientinfo.nimh.nih.gov>.

## PRESCRIPTION DRUG ABUSE INFOGRAPHIC CHALLENGE

NIDA challenges the general public to create an infographic that presents information, rooted in the current research, concerning the growing trend of prescription drug abuse. The infographic should be designed to inform and educate the general public in interesting, novel, and creative ways about the dangers involved with the abuse of prescription drugs. Prescription drug abuse is a growing drug problem for America. Rates of death by drug overdose have more than tripled since 1990. Most of these deaths are caused by prescription drugs. Infographics are frequently used to communicate complex information in a clear, concise, and visually appealing manner to the public. The infographic submissions in response to this Challenge are intended to increase awareness about the dangers of prescription drug abuse based on the latest research. Submissions accepted through June 14, 2013. <http://data-rx.challenge.gov/>

## POSSIBLE HIPAA IMPACTS ON REPORTING OF PERSONS WITH CERTAIN MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES TO NATIONAL BACKGROUND CHECK DATABASE

On January 16, 2013, President Obama announced a series of Executive Actions to reduce gun violence in the U.S. These actions include efforts to improve the Federal Government's background check system, called the National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS), for the sale or transfer of firearms by licensed dealers. Among those persons who are disqualified from possessing or receiving firearms under Federal law are those "adjudicated to be mentally defective, or who have been committed to a mental institution" (mental health prohibitor). Concerns have been raised that the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) Privacy Rule may be a barrier to states' reporting to NICS the identities of individuals subject to the mental health prohibitor.

HHS is seeking public comments on how HIPAA may prevent state reporting to NICS, and how these barriers can be addressed without discouraging individuals from seeking mental health services. Additional comments are encouraged on proposals to establish "express permission" for reporting relevant information and on best methods of disseminating HIPAA-related information to state reporting entities.

Public input also is being sought on unintended consequences that such actions may have on individuals seeking mental health services. An important consideration when responding is the effect of the proposed HIPAA change on "temporary hold" cases. Comments will be accepted through June 7, 2013.

[http://www.regulations.gov/#!documentDetail;D=HHS\\_FRDOC\\_0001-0494](http://www.regulations.gov/#!documentDetail;D=HHS_FRDOC_0001-0494)

## NIDA FOR TEENS TEEN ADVISORY GROUP: CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

NIDA is now accepting applications from teens to join its Teen Advisory Group (TAG). The TAG meets online and by conference call four to six times a year to share thoughts and feedback about NIDA for Teens materials, the website, and other program components. Since 2009, the TAG has been critically important in helping NIDA reach teens with engaging information about drug abuse and addiction. Additional details:

- Who: All teens in grades 8-11 are welcome to apply.
- What: The TAG will meet online for one hour, four to six times during one year. TAG members receive a \$25 stipend for each discussion in which they participate.
- Where: Discussions will be held in the evening via webinar and conference call.
- When: The TAG will start in September 2013 and end in August 2014.

Applications are due June 30, 2013. To request an application, email [NIDATAG@iqsolutions.com](mailto:NIDATAG@iqsolutions.com).

### FUNDING INFORMATION

MINORITY SERVING INSTITUTIONS PARTNERSHIPS WITH COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATIONS  
<http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/2013/sp-13-006.aspx>

COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS FOR STATE-SPONSORED YOUTH SUICIDE PREVENTION AND EARLY INTERVENTION GRANT  
<http://www.samhsa.gov/newsroom/advisories/1305285734.aspx>

STATE PLANNING GRANTS FOR IMPROVING SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER AND OTHER DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES  
<https://grants.hrsa.gov/webExternal/SFO.asp?ID=b9cc8055-7317-482b-8d8d-161ecc4b9d50>

UNDERSTANDING AND ADDRESSING VICARIOUS TRAUMA IN VICTIM ASSISTANCE PROFESSIONALS, LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, AND OTHER FIRST RESPONDERS  
[http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc/grants/pdftxt/Addressing\\_Vicarious\\_Trauma.pdf](http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc/grants/pdftxt/Addressing_Vicarious_Trauma.pdf)

SAFE SCHOOLS/HEALTHY STUDENTS STATE PLANNING, LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCY, AND LOCAL COMMUNITY COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS  
<http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/2013/sm-13-006.aspx>

NATIONAL RESOURCE CENTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH PROMOTION AND YOUTH VIOLENCE PREVENTION  
<http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/2013/sm-13-007.aspx>

RESEARCH ON THE ROLE OF EPIGENETICS IN SOCIAL, BEHAVIORAL, ENVIRONMENTAL AND BIOLOGICAL RELATIONSHIPS, THROUGHOUT THE LIFESPAN AND ACROSS GENERATIONS  
<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-TW-13-002.html>

NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH PRACTICE AND RESOURCE CENTERS FOR CHILDREN WITH ATTENTION-DEFICIT/HYPERACTIVITY DISORDER OR TOURETTE SYNDROME

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=ngbyRIGhQHJXbjZgFSCS12QJgvVRFJqtRFZp0wy0lpgfD2QRQzVV!-1140941763?oppld=235093&mode=VIEW>

BUILDING AND SUPPORTING CORE PUBLIC HEALTH CAPACITIES RELATED TO VIOLENCE AND INJURY PREVENTION

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=ngbyRIGhQHJXbjZgFSCS12QJgvVRFJqtRFZp0wy0lpgfD2QRQzVV!-1140941763?oppld=235196&mode=VIEW>

CLOSING THE GAP IN HEALTHCARE DISPARITIES THROUGH DISSEMINATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF PATIENT CENTERED OUTCOMES RESEARCH

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-HS-13-010.html>

HEALTH CARE INNOVATION AWARDS

<http://innovation.cms.gov/initiatives/Health-Care-Innovation-Awards/Round-2.html>



The **Outreach Partnership Program** is a nationwide outreach initiative of the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) that enlists state and national organizations in a partnership to help close the gap between mental health research and clinical practice, inform the public about mental illnesses, and reduce the stigma and discrimination associated with mental illness. For more information about the program please visit: <http://www.nimh.nih.gov/outreach/partnership-program/index.shtml>. To subscribe to receive the **Update** every two weeks, go to: <http://www.nimh.nih.gov/outreach/partnership-program/news-and-updates-from-the-program.shtml>

The information provided in the **Update** is intended for use by NIMH Outreach Partners, National Partners and their associates for the express purpose of exchanging information that may be useful in the development of state and local mental health outreach, information, education and partnership programs.