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Virtual Workshop: Engaging Patients in the Research Process



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Welcome to the workshop on Engaging Patients in the Research Process!

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Welcome, Objectives and HEAL Initiative Overview

Dr. Rebecca Baker, Director, Helping to End Addiction Long-term (HEAL) Initiative, NIH

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HEAL INITIATIVE Welcome and Overview



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On Engagement

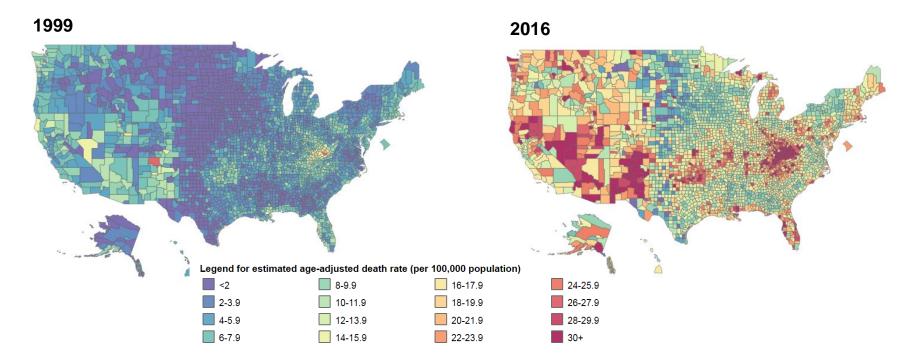
It's really important that everybody has a chance to participate in clinical trials. That's how we learn the differences and similarities and certainly underrepresented groups ought to be part of that. To make that more possible, we can do better outreach so people hear about these trials, we need to knock down barriers that might get in the way and we need to be sure we are getting people information back about themselves ...

-Francis Collins, NIH Director



Crisis #1: National Overdose Death Rates

In 2017, there were 70,237 overdose deaths (9.6% higher than 2016)



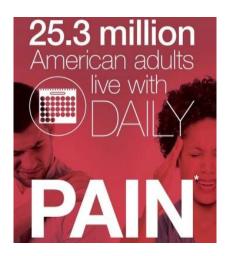
Source: https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data-visualization/drug-poisoning-mortality/index.htm

Public Health Emergency Declared in 2017

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Crisis #2: Chronic Pain in the U.S.

- 50 million adults are affected by chronic pain
- 25 million report severe pain on a daily basis
- 20 million have high impact chronic pain









<u>CDC</u>, Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, Sept. 2018

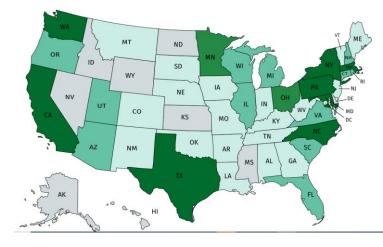


NIH HEAL Initiative: By the Numbers

- Mission: scientific solutions to the opioid crisis
- \$500M/year effort
 - Over \$945M obligated in FY2019 to over 400 Investigators across 41 states

Over 25 HEAL research programs

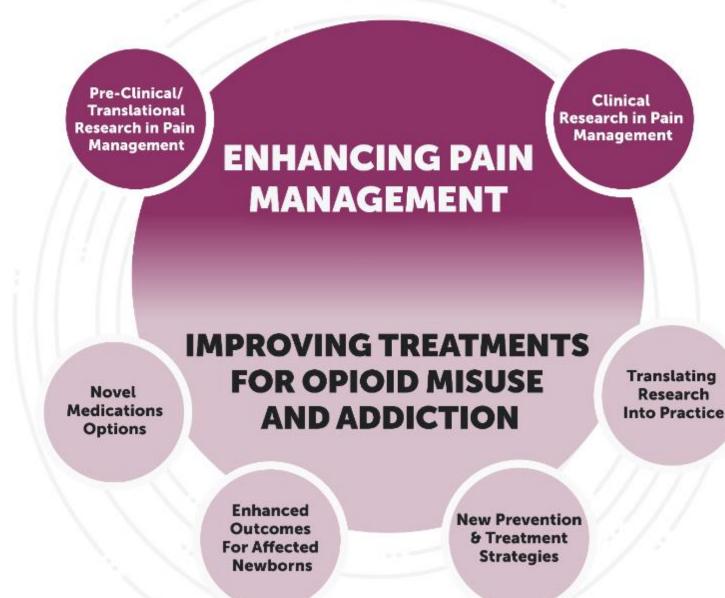
- $_{\circ}$ 12 NIH Institute and Centers leading,
- 20 ICs collaborating on HEAL studies
- Prevention, Basic & Translational, Clinical Trials, Implementation Science
- Partnerships across government, communities, and the private sector







NIH HEAL INITIATIVE RESEARCH OVERVIEW



Pre-Clinical and Translational Research in Pain Management

- Discovery and validation of novel targets for safe and effective pain treatment
 - New target for migraine ____
 - 42 applications awards
- Translating discoveries into effective devices for pain treatment
- Engineering preclinical screening platforms + novel drug development
- Biomarkers, signatures and endpoints for pain





Clinical Research in Pain Management

- Test novel treatments in a new clinical trials network: (EPPIC Net)
- Back Pain Research Consortium
- Integrated approach to pain and opioid use in hemodialysis patients
- Pain Management Effectiveness Research Network
- Pragmatic and Implementation Studies for the Management of Pain



HEAL Funding Opportunities Open Now... More to Come

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FOA #	FOA Title	Research Focus Area	Earliest Submission Date	Expiration Date	Posted Date 🔻
NOT-OD-20-101	HEAL Initiative: Notice of Special Interest (NOSI) regarding the Availability of Administrative Supplements to Support Strategies to Reduce Stigma in Pain Management and Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) and Treatment	All	Fri, 05/29/2020	Sat, 05/30/2020	Thu, 04/23/2020
NOT-NS-20-044	Notice of Special Interest to Encourage Eligible NIH HEAL Initiative Awardees to Apply for Administrative Supplements to Promote Training in Clinical Research on Pain (Admin Supp – Clinical Trial Not Allowed)	Clinical Research in Pain Management	Fri, 05/15/2020	Fri, 07/31/2020	Fri, 04/10/2020
NOT-HL-20-746	Notice of Special Interest (NOSI): NHLBI and NIDA Announce Availability of Administrative Supplements for HEAL Awardees to Address Sleep Impairments in OUD Treatment Response and Recovery Outcomes	All	Mon, 06/01/2020	Tue, 06/02/2020	Fri, 03/27/2020
NOT-TR-20-008	Notice of Special Interest for HEAL Initiative: Request for Administrative Supplements to Existing Grants for Identification and Validation of New Pain and Opioid Use Disorder Targets within the Understudied Druggable Genome	Preclinical and Translational Research in Pain Management	Tue, 03/17/2020	Tue, 06/02/2020	Mon, 03/09/2020

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HEAL Patient Engagement Timeline

<u></u>	May 2019	Charged by HEAL Multidisciplinary Working Group and NIH Leadership to create patient engagement process
兽	July–Oct. 2019	Performed environmental scan of patient engagement practices at NIH and PCORI
Ð	Nov. 2019	Recommendations for patient engagement considered by HEAL Senior Leadership
;	Feb-Apr. 2020	Established patient engagement workgroup
	Aug- onward	Engagement Workshops, stakeholder identification, goal setting



Key Objectives of Today's Meeting

- Discuss opportunities, challenges, and benefits to incorporating patients in research
- Share best practices in community and patient engagement
- Address opportunities and challenges in engagement, recruitment and the new virtual environment
- Attendees will learn how patient engagement has transformed study processes and outcomes for the better
- Discuss engagement in the context of the HEAL initiative



HEAL Patient Engagement and Next Steps

- Use insights from this workshop to inform HEAL engagement framework and future meeting needs
- Work with NIH program scientists and investigators to understand engagement issues unique to populations in HEAL
- Gather input from community stakeholders, organizations and the HEAL community to guide best practice for engagement
- Develop a plan to promote representation in clinical trial participants





Lessons from the FDA Patient Focused Drug Development Program

CAPT Robyn Bent, RN, MS, US Public Health Service, Director, Patient Focused Drug Development, FDA CDER

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FDA Slides

• The FDA Slides are in a separate link



Panel: Challenges, Opportunities, and Goals of Patient Engagement



Walter J. Koroshetz, Director, National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, **Moderator**



Paul Kimmel, MD, MACP, FASN, Senior Advisor, Program Director HOPE, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases



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Dawn P. Edwards, CEO of New York State CKD Champions, and Wellness Ambassador, The Rogosin Institute



Christin Veasley, Cofounder & Director, Chronic Pain Research Alliance



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Panel Discussion

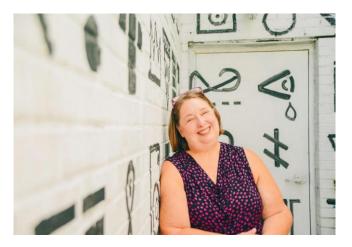
• Begins at 29:00



Discussant Responses



Lynn Debar, PhD Senior Investigator, Kaiser Permanente Washington Health Research Institute, affiliate professor at the Department of Psychiatry, University of Washington



Mary Stroud RN, CCRP Project Manager Recruitment Innovation Center a part of The Trial Innovation Network, Vanderbilt Institute for Clinical and Translational Research



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Discussant Responses

• Begin at 1:21



Question & Answer Session

Begins at 1:38

Questions Addressed

- How can we effectively engage patients in non-patient facing research (for example laboratory research, studies of clinician behavior, etc)?
- Is there some way to incorporate patient evals/surveys from prior studies into the new research protocol formulation process? Does all patient engagement need to be qualitative or can there be ways to incorporate quantitative data?
- What approach(es) are there for the inclusion of patients from underrepresented and minority backgrounds?



Questions Addressed

- How do we address patient engagement in a time of COVID-19 when the digital divide is further alienating large populations we need to connect with? Ie. older adults, rural communities, low income patients
- What are some of the tactics you use to mitigate the power differential between clinicians and the patient representative?
- For rare diseases, where there may be only very limited 'organized' patient groups - but many disparate unorganized groups across online forums etc (which actually represent 'more' patients) - how would you recommend establishing engagement for these groups?



Questions Addressed

- When do you choose to use the term 'patient' vs. 'participant' vs. something else?
- Can you please mention some specifics in engaging patients with active substance use? The role of stigma has been mentioned. I wonder, if little bit more info and sharing experiences would be possible.

