

GENERAL INFORMATION AND AWARDS OVERVIEW

According to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Service Administration (SAMHSA), the fastest-growing drug problem in the United States is inappropriate use of prescription medications. According to the National Survey on Drug Use and Health, more than 5,700 youth in 2014 reported first-time use of prescription pain relievers without a prescription. More than 42,000 deaths in 2016 were attributed to the opioid crisis. Approximately 40% of opioid overdose deaths involved a prescription opioid. The United States Department of Health and Human Services declared the opioid crisis a public health emergency in 2017 and released strategy recommendations to combat the health emergency. As pharmacists, we are the most accessible healthcare professionals and can make a difference at the forefront of this crisis.

The APhA New Practitioner Network (NPN) strives to provide opportunities for recent graduates to develop themselves and that empower them to utilize their knowledge and skills necessary to define the future of their profession. Many new practitioners are highly engaged in substance use disorder initiatives throughout pharmacy school and carry this interest into practice after graduation. The APhA Institute on Substance Use Disorders is an education and inspirational experience. The meeting provides attendees with programming and experiences related to alcoholism and substance use disorders including descriptions of 12-step programming, pharmacology of addiction, strategies to overcome denial of addiction, family dynamics, and much more.

To support the passion of new practitioners and further the prevention of substance use disorders, the APhA NPN has developed a research awards program for new practitioners, residents, and/or postgraduates who conduct research in the area of substance use disorders. Awardees will receive funding to support their research and support to showcase their work during a presentation of their research at the 2022 APhA Institute on Substance Use Disorders.

Use of Award Funds:

Full payments will be made upon receipt of the completed Grant Acceptance. Grant funds may be used only for direct costs associated with the development and implementation of the project described in the application. Expenditures for indirect costs (overhead) will not be funded. Salaries for recipients will not be allowed; however, consultant fees, fees for research/technician services and expenses for administrative services may be allowed if submitted in the proposed budget within the application.

Applicants must be new practitioner members of APhA. To be defined as a new practitioner, resident, or postgraduate, applicants must have a graduation date of May 2016 or later.

Award(s) Overview:

The APhA NPN Operation Substance Use Disorders Research Award(s) includes:

- Up to 5 new practitioner, residents, and/or postgraduate award recipients will receive a \$1,000 research award to develop and implement a research project within the field of substance use disorders.
 - The 5 new practitioner, resident, and/or postgraduate award recipients plus 1 mentor/co-investigator of the award recipients' choosing will be provided a complimentary registration to attend the APhA Institute on Substance Use Disorders.

- The 5 new practitioner, resident, and/or postgraduate award recipients plus 1 mentor/co-investigator will be provided apartment/residence hall housing support (\$250 maximum) and up to a \$200 stipend at the APhA Institute on Substance Use Disorders.

The 5 new practitioner, resident, and/or postgraduate award recipients will be required to present a poster on their research at the APhA Institute on Substance Use Disorders or write an article in *Transitions* on their research.

PROGRAM SUPPORTER

Operation Substance Use Disorder and its related programs are supported by Walmart.



AWARD(S) TIMELINE

An estimated timeline of due dates for the APhA Operation Substance Use Disorders Research Awards are highlighted below.

Date	Event
July 1, 2021	Application Opens
September 15, 2021	Application Closes
October 15	Review of Applications
October 30, 2021	Award Recipient Notification/ Award Disbursement
January 31, 2022	Interim Report Due
May 15, 2022	Final Budget Report Due
May-June 2022	APhA Institute on Substance Use Disorders Conference and Presentation and <i>Transitions</i> article submission

**Timelines are subject to change*

DEADLINE AND AWARDS REQUIREMENTS

Please read through the APhA Operation Substance Use Disorders Research Awards general information and awards overview prior to completing the application. Type the application and use only the allotted page count. All sections of the application need to be submitted to APhA Headquarters via email to catwell@APhAnet.org by no later than 11:59pm (PST) on September 15, 2021. These sections include (please initial):

- _____ APhA Operation Substance Use Disorders Research Awards Completed Application
- _____ Digital headshot photo suitable for publication (1MB or larger in size required)
- _____ Biosketch (Maximum 200 words) on Primary Investigator's Qualifications and Project
- _____ Research Proposal
- _____ Statement of Support Signed from Manager, Mentor or Department Chair

Make a copy of the entire application for your records. Please note that the APhA NPN and APhA staff may contact applicants for questions or clarifications on their application.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the application for the APhA NPN Operation Substance Use Disorders Research Awards, please contact:

Crystal Atwell, PharmD
APhA Senior Director of Student Development & New Practitioner Development
Phone: 202-429-7586
Email: CAAtwell@aphanet.org

SECTION I: CONTACT INFORMATION

A. Name:

(Last) (First) (Middle or Middle
Initial)

B. APhA Member Number:

C. Professional Designations:

D. Email Address:

E. Preferred Telephone Number:

F. Home Address:

(City) (State)
(Zip Code)

SECTION II: PRACTICE PROFILE

A. Current Practice Position:

B. Years in Practice:

C. Years at Current Site:

D. Current State(s) of Licensure:

E. License Number(s):

Applicant's Name: _____

SECTION III: PRACTICE PROFILE

A. Name of Practice Site:

B. Practice Site Address:

(City)
(Zip Code)

(State)

C. Practice Site Numbers:

(Telephone)
(Fax)

D. Type of Practice Setting: Select all that apply

- Ambulatory Care
 - Clinical Administration
 - Community Practice
 - Drug Information
 - Hospital/Academic Medical Center
 - Hospital/Rural Healthcare
 - Long-term Care
 - Managed Care
 - Nuclear Pharmacy
 - Pharmaceutical Industry
 - Pharmacokinetics
 - Other:
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E. Describe the Population your Practice Serves (250 words max):

SECTION IV: PROJECT PROFILE

A. Project Title:

B. Co-Investigator(s):

C. Residency Preceptor (if applicable):

D. Anticipated stage of project at 2022 APhA Institute on Substance Use Disorders: Select one

_____ Project in progress

_____ Completed project

Applicant's Name: _____

SECTION V: PROJECT PROPOSAL

Create a project proposal about your innovative substance use disorders project. Limit proposal to 6 pages in length. Please title the document in the following format: “Primary Investigator’s Last Name and First Initial_Substance Use Disorders Proposal” (Ex: SmithJ_ Substance Use Disorders Proposal)

The following information must be included in the proposal:

- Title
- Background Information and Purpose
- Project Objectives and Potential Outcomes
- Methods
 - Include: research hypothesis, inclusion and exclusion criteria, data collection process, what data will be collected, and any other additional details seen fit
- Evaluation strategy
 - Include: statistical analyses used for the project, criteria for determining statistical significance, power calculations if applicable, and any other additional details seen fit
- Project implementation, data collection, and evaluation timeline
- Budget (Reference “Use of Grant Funds” portion of application)

Submit the project proposal in .pdf, .dox, or .doc format only.

Applicant’s Name: _____

SECTION VI: STATEMENT OF CONSENT

I have read, understand, and will comply with the APhA New Practitioner Network Operation Substance Use Disorders Research Awards description.

I am currently in good standing with my employer. My employer is aware of the award(s) I am seeking.

I understand that my picture, email address, and qualifications may be posted on the APhA website or used in APhA publications and will be utilized during the APhA Institute on Substance Use Disorders.

I understand that APhA reserves the right, upon its discretion, to revoke any award(s) if funds are not used properly to support substance use disorders research.

I understand that APhA recommends a completed project be presented at the APhA Institute on Substance Use Disorders and that projects in progress will only be accepted during the APhA New Practitioner Network Operation Substance Use Disorders Research Awards inaugural year and must be completed within 1 year of receiving the APhA New Practitioner Network Operation Substance Use Disorders Research Awards.

I understand if I am an award recipient that APhA New Practitioner Network will require an interim report and final budgetary report after this application is completed as noted in Section VII and Section IX.

I agree that all statements on this application are true. I understand that any false statements or the failure to complete this application accurately may result in my disqualification as a recipient for an APhA New Practitioner Network Operation Substance Use Disorders Research Awards.

By signing this, I attest to the validity of the above statements.

Signature of applicant:

Please print name here:

Date signed:

SECTION VII: STATEMENT OF SUPPORT

I _____ support the research proposal submitted by

Mentor or Department Chair Name

_____ for the APhA New Practitioner Network Operation Substance Use

Name of primary researcher

Disorders Research Award. I attest the project proposal is accurate and able to be accomplished

in a timely manner with the project being completed or nearly completed by the 2022 APhA

Institute on Substance Use Disorders which is tentatively scheduled for the end of May

2022/beginning of June 2022. I attest the award funds for this project will be used appropriately for

direct completion of this project. If the project is not completed by 2022 APhA Institute on

Substance Use Disorders, I attest the project will be completed within a year of receiving the

APhA New Practitioner Network Operation Substance Use Disorders Research Award.

Signature of manager, mentor or department chair:

Please print name here:

Date signed:

This section of the application is for award recipient(s) ONLY

SECTION VIII: INTERIM REPORT REQUIREMENT

Draft an interim report about your innovative substance use disorders project. Limit your report to 3 pages in length. Please title the document in the following format: “Primary Investigator’s Last Name and First Initial_Substance Use Disorders Interim” (Ex: SmithJ_ Substance Use Disorders Interim)

The following information must be included in the proposal:

- Current progress on project referencing initial timeline submitted
- Current use of award funds
- Any changes in project from initial proposal

Submit the interim report in .pdf, .dox, or .doc format only.

Type the report and use only the allotted page count. All sections of the application need to be submitted to APhA Headquarters via email to catwell@APhAnet.org by no later than 11:59pm (PST) on January 31, 2022.

SECTION IX: FINAL BUDGETARY REQUIREMENT

Draft a final budgetary report about your innovative substance use disorders project. Limit your report to 2 pages in length. Please title the document in the following format: “Primary Investigator’s Last Name and First Initial_Substance Use Disorders Budget” (Ex: SmithJ_Substance Use Disorders Budget)

The following information must be included in the proposal:

- Table displaying the use of all award funds for the project
- Describe what went well with the project
- Describe what you will improve upon with further projects

Submit the budgetary report in .pdf, .dox, or .doc format only.

Type the report and use only the allotted page count. All sections of the application need to be submitted to APhA Headquarters via email to catwell@APhAnet.org by no later than 11:59pm (PST) on May 15, 2022.