



# DoD IMPLEMENTATION SCIENCE

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*Informing a community of behavioral health providers who lead the rapid translation of research findings into routine clinical practice*

## Resources of the Month

### Training Institute for Dissemination and Implementation

The National Institutes of Health and the Veterans Health Administration collaborated to develop this online course to advance the science of dissemination and implementation (D&I) by bringing together faculty and guest lecturers who are leading experts in theory, implementation, and evaluation approaches to D&I. It aims to create partnerships and multilevel, transdisciplinary research teams, develop research design, methods, and analyses appropriate for D&I investigations, and conduct research at different and multiple levels of intervention.

### Advanced Topics in Implementation Science Webinar Series

This is a free monthly webinar series focused on advanced topics in D&I research provided by the National Cancer Institute. Registration for upcoming webinars is available as well as archived sessions from the Advanced Topics in Implementation Science series and the Research to Reality series.

## Featured Articles

### Implementation Facilitation to Promote Emergency Department-initiated Buprenorphine for Opioid Use Disorder: Protocol for a Hybrid Type III Effectiveness-implementation Study (Project ED HEALTH)

Emergency department-initiated buprenorphine has been shown to be effective at increasing treatment engagement of patients with opioid use disorder who frequently present to the emergency department when compared to brief interventions with a facilitated referral or referral alone. The adoption of this research finding into practice, however, has lagged behind need. This study evaluates the impact of implementation facilitation on the adoption of emergency-department initiated buprenorphine to address the challenge.

### Choosing Implementation Strategies to Address Contextual Barriers: Diversity in Recommendations and Future Directions

Identifying contextual barriers and facilitators and determining which strategies will address them is a fundamental challenge of implementation. There have been numerous frameworks developed to guide the identification of those barriers and facilitators, and compilations of implementation strategies have been developed to support the selection and reporting of implementation strategies. This study identifies which Expert Recommendations for Implementing Change (ERIC), a compilation of implementation strategies, would best address specific Consolidated Framework for Implementation Research (CFIR)-based contextual barriers.

*Featured articles are available on the Practice-Based Implementation (PBI) Network's max.gov website. For access to the max.gov site, please send an email to [dha.ncr-j-9.mbx.phcoe-pbi-network@mail.mil](mailto:dha.ncr-j-9.mbx.phcoe-pbi-network@mail.mil).*

## Action Item

### Tri-Service Buprenorphine Webinar Waiver Training

PHCoE will host Tri-Service Buprenorphine Webinar Waiver Trainings in collaboration with the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) on Sep. 4 and Dec. 4, 2019. The trainings include an overview of opioids and opioid use disorder and an introduction to Buprenorphine, including confidentiality and urine drug testing, special populations, evaluation and clinical uses. **The trainings are free of charge and provide eight hours of online training necessary to apply for the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) waiver.** For more information and to register, contact [dha.ncr-j-9.mbx.phcoe-sud-support@mail.mil](mailto:dha.ncr-j-9.mbx.phcoe-sud-support@mail.mil).

## Call for Papers

The journal Stigma and Health invites submissions for papers for a special issue focused on qualitative methods that advance stigma and health research in order to broaden its methodological representation. Submissions should be related to the philosophy, methods, analyses, and interpretations of qualitative work as specifically relevant to key concerns in stigma research. Creativity in proposing new approaches or methodologies for qualitative research is encouraged. A brief manuscript proposal should be sent to the editor, Patrick W. Corrigan, at [corrigan@iit.edu](mailto:corrigan@iit.edu) **no later than July 15, 2019.**

### 127<sup>th</sup> American Psychological Association Convention

**Aug. 8-11 in Chicago, IL**

This annual convention is a premier event for psychology and provides four days of learning, innovation and community. Attendees can participate in engaging sessions with leaders in the field, find new career opportunities, and attend buzzworthy events.

### National Conference on Addiction Disorders

**Aug. 15-18 in Baltimore, MD**

This conference brings together professionals across disciplines for networking, continuing education, and collaboration. It provides professionals with the tools they need to address addiction, particularly during the current opioid epidemic. This year's conference has been expanded to offer two dynamic conferences – East and West. Join more than 1000 other addiction, behavioral, and mental health professionals alike and work to improve and refine patient care and develop sustainable and successful treatment organizations.