



Interdisciplinary Leaders in  
Substance Use Education,  
Research, Care and Policy

## Call for Abstracts and Awards *AMERSA at 44:*

The 44th AMERSA Annual National Conference will be held  
November 5-7, 2020 at the Hyatt Regency, Boston

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### Important Deadlines

**April 24, 2020** - [Conference Travel Award applications 2020](#)

**May 1, 2020** - Abstracts and Workshops  
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Please go to [www.amersa.org](http://www.amersa.org) for instructions on all award nominations and submissions.

### 2020 Program Highlights

We have planned an exciting conference featuring oral abstract and poster sessions, skill-focused workshops, one-on-one career mentoring, and plenary sessions addressing issues of national and international importance. Sessions include:

- Plenary Session: *To be announced*
- 2020 Betty Ford Award Plenary Session
- 2020 John P. McGovern Award Plenary Session

### Call for Abstracts and Workshops

**ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS** of recent substance use-related research and education innovations in one of three categories:

1. **Research** – These abstracts report on original research and must include methods, data analyses, and results. Broad disciplines are represented, including clinical research, implementation science, and education scholarships.

2. **Curricula, Quality Improvement, and Program Innovations** – These abstracts report on evaluations of education curricula, quality improvement, implementation science, and/or innovative program initiatives and must include methods, data analyses, and results.
3. **Clinical Case Presentations** – These abstracts describe an illustrative case that reinforces specific learning objectives for substance use disorders, complications of substance use/substance use disorder, or impact of substance use on clinical care. Cases should be based on patients for whom at least one of the author(s) had treated during the course of the patient’s treatment.

**WORKSHOP SUBMISSIONS** – Each workshop will be 90 minutes in length and offer interactive learning about a specific substance-use related topic. Workshops must focus on building specific skills in clinical practice, education, research, community action, or policy/advocacy related to substance use. The most desirable workshop sessions will focus on a set of concrete skills or techniques that can be attained and practiced by participants in 90 minutes, and which participants can then introduce into their teaching, practice, research or community following the meeting. Workshop proposals from presenters trained in any discipline will be welcome. Workshop proposals that plan to disseminate information in a lecture or panel format only will not be accepted.

Please go to [www.amersa.org](http://www.amersa.org) for detailed online submission and instructions.

**Deadline for submission - May 1, 2020**

## Conference Travel Awards

Up to 15 full or partial awards of conference registration are available to attend the 2020 AMERSA National Conference. NIDA has funded this program to accomplish specific goals: to include educators, researchers and clinicians from underserved racial/ethnic groups, to increase representation from diverse professions in AMERSA, and to facilitate dissemination of the knowledge acquired to broader audiences. Previous travel award recipients may apply for a second year of funding and WILL be expected to submit proposals.\*

Apply online at [Conference Travel Awards 2020](#)

**Deadline for submission - April 24, 2020**

### Applicants must be:

- (a) Health professional educators, researchers and clinicians in practice or in training (e.g., doctoral students)
- (b) Actively involved in education, research, clinical care, policy and or other programs related to alcohol or substance use

### Preference will be given to:

- (a) Health professionals from minority or underrepresented backgrounds
- (b) Members of health professions that AMERSA is targeting for increased participation (for example, but not limited to: nursing, social work, psychology, pharmacology, dentistry, allied health professions)
- (c) Individuals with the ability to disseminate knowledge and skills from the national meeting to their students or trainees
- (d) Individuals who submit an abstract, poster or workshop presentation. Travel award recipients who apply for a second year of funding will be expected to submit proposals.
- (e) Individuals whose teaching, research and/or clinical practice focus on vulnerable populations

*\*subject to approved NIDA funding*

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