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2015/16 LECTURE SERIES PRESENTS

NEW INVESTIGATOR LECTURE

“Meeting People Where They’re At: Community-based Harm Reduction Treatment for Alcohol Use Disorders”



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1:00 - 2:00 PM

HSB D-209, Turner Auditorium

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As codirector of the Harm Reduction Research and Treatment (HaRRT) lab, I am privileged to work with a multidisciplinary research and clinical team, community-based agencies, healers from different traditions, and substance-using community members. Together, we codevelop and evaluate harm-reduction interventions. These are patient-driven interventions that aim to reduce substance-related harm and improve quality of life for affected individuals and their communities. Because harm-reduction interventions do not require that people stop or even reduce their substance use, they can be a life-saver for those who are not ready, willing or able to stop using. Our ultimate goal is to create a toolbox of evidence-based, harm-reduction interventions that can be applied by different kinds of providers across different kinds of settings, populations and substance-use behaviors. At my Science in Medicine talk, I am looking forward to sharing our team’s progress towards this goal.

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