Introduction to the HEAL (Helping to End Addiction Long-term) Initiative

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Helping to End Addiction Long-term (HEAL) Initiative

- Trans-NIH research initiative to:
 - Improve prevention and treatment strategies for opioid misuse and addiction
 - Enhance pain management
- Goals are scientific solutions to the opioid crisis
- Coordinating with the HHS Secretary, Surgeon General, federal partners, local government officials and communities



Helping to End Addiction Long-term (HEAL) Initiative: At a glance

- \$500M/year Trans NIH effort
 - Over \$850M to be obligated in FY2019
- 12 NIH Institute and Centers leading 26 HEAL research projects
 - Over 20 collaborating Institutes, Centers and Offices
 - From prevention research, basic and translational research, clinical trials, to implementation science
 - Multiple projects integrating research into new settings
- Released 40+ funding announcements for FY2019

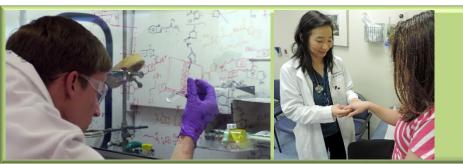


HEAL Initiative Research Overview

Strategies

Pre-Clinical Clinical Research in Research in Pain Pain **Enhancing Pain** Management Management Management Enhance Expand **Treatments** Therapeutic Improving Treatments for Affected **Options** Newborns for Misuse and Develop Addiction New/ Optimize Improved Effective Prevention & **Treatments** Treatment

- Expand therapeutic options for opioid addiction and overdose
 - New, more user-friendly formulations of existing medications
 - Longer duration, more powerful overdose-reversers
 - New approaches to reverse respiratory depression
 - Immunotherapies for opioids to prevent relapse and overdose
 - New targets and approaches for treating Opioid Use Disorder (OUD)





- Enhance Treatments for Affected Newborns with Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome/ Neonatal Opioid Withdrawal Syndrome (NOWS)
 - Advancing Clinical Trials in Neonatal Opioid Withdrawal Syndrome
 - ACT NOW Study
 - Understanding the long-term consequences of early opioid exposure
 - HEALthy Brain and Cognitive Development (BCD) Study







- <u>Develop New and Improved Prevention & Treatment Strategies</u>
 - Preventing at risk adolescents from transitioning to OUD as they transition to adulthood
 - Understanding the role of sleep dysfunction in OUD and recovery
 - Managing opioid misuse and low severity OUD
 - Determining the optimal length of medication treatment for OUD
 - Optimizing collaborative care for people with OUD and common mental disorders





- Optimize Effective Treatments
 - Enhancing the NIDA Clinical Trials Network to address opioids
 - Promoting innovation in the criminal justice system
 - Justice Community Opioid Intervention Network
 - Understanding the role of behavioral health interventions
 - Behavioral Research to Improve Adherence to Medication-based treatment for OUD
 - Integrating multiple evidence based interventions in communities
 - The HEALing Communities Study

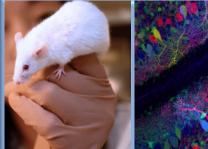


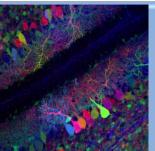




Enhancing Pain Management

- Pre-Clinical Research in Pain Management
 - Accelerate the discovery and development of non-addictive treatments for pain
 - Understanding the origins of chronic pain
 - Acute to Chronic Pain Signatures Program
 - Discovery and validation of novel targets for safe and effective pain treatment
 - Biomarkers, signatures and endpoints for pain
 - Translating discoveries into effective devices for pain treatment
 - Engineering preclinical screening platforms + novel drug development







Enhancing Pain Management

- Clinical Research in Pain Management
 - Characterize populations of patients with pain conditions
 - Test novel treatments in a new clinical trials network
 - Early Phase Pain Investigation Clinical Network (EPPIC Net)
 - Back Pain Research Consortium
 - Establish best strategies for management of acute and chronic pain
 - Pain Management Effectiveness Research Network
 - Integrated approach to pain and opioid use in hemodialysis patients
 - Pragmatic and Implementation Studies for the Management of Pain







