



NOAP Research Committee Meeting Minutes

July 12, 2023

Occurs 2nd Wednesday of the month

Meeting began at 2pm EST

1. Roll call:

- John Furman - present
- Maureen Farrell - present
- Abby Migliore - present
- Mike Harkreader - present
- Shannon Opie - present
- Melissa Monroe - present
- John Harden - absent

2. New committee member introductions

3. June meeting minutes accepted as written

4. Newly published research

Weinhouse, S., et al (2023). *Barriers to recovery for medical professionals: Assessing financial support through a survey of Physician Health Programs*. The American Journal on Addictions; 385-392.

[Read The Full Article Here](#)

5. Paper of the Month: Attached

Volkow, N.D. (2023). *Substance use disorders: a comprehensive update of classification, epidemiology, neurobiology, clinical aspects, treatment and prevention*. World Psychiatry; 203-229.

6. Standard performance measures project:

7.

- Draft paper reviewed

Action: John to present to the NOAP Executive Committee

8. Research questions/projects for consideration:

Research questions for consideration:

- What is the compatibility of 12-step with regulatory monitoring programs?
- What is the current understanding of the relationship between the COVID-19 pandemic and HCW substance use?
- What are “best” treatment approaches (practices) for clinicians with SUD?
- What are the similarities and dissimilarities between selected ATD program policies/practices?
- What are significant factors associated with program completion success or failure?

Other project considerations:

- Factors driving declining program participation rates
- Program policy comparisons

Discussion and action: The committee agreed falling participation rates is our most pressing issue. John will draft a project proposal for review at the August meeting.

9. Government Affairs:

No agenda items

10. Old Business:

- Web page re-design

Action: John to get an update from the Executive Committee

11. New Business:

Discussion topics:

- Maureen share information on Nurse House, which provides short-term financial assistance to nurses in need as a result of illness, injury, or disability [About Nurses House - A national fund for nurses in need](#)
- Maureen shared information on the podcast *Retrievals* from the NPR show This American Life [The Retrievals - This American Life](#)

Meeting concluded at 2:50pm EST

