



Welcome to the 75th issue of the ISSUP Newsletter! It's really great to have you with us. We hope that you and your loved ones are continuing to stay well and healthy during this time.

A week is a very long time during a pandemic and whilst no one knows how things will turn out once the crisis passes, it's safe to say that it won't be business as usual for many in the drug demand reduction field. It has been encouraging to see the profile of vulnerable groups, including people with substance use disorders, increase in both visibility and importance as countries across the world examine the social and health impacts (and risks) of the pandemic.

In this issue we bring you a fresh selection of news, updates and resources. Details of all past and upcoming **ISSUP webinars** are available on [our website](#). Stay up-to-date on COVID-19 by visiting the [Coronavirus Support Network](#) for daily updates and new resources.

Vaping and Opioid Addiction Accelerate Coronavirus Risks

In a recent interview, **Dr. Nora Volkow**, who heads the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), describes factors that may increase the risk of coronavirus causing greater harm to the infected individual. Read the full interview [here](#)

Congratulations to Newly ICAP-Credentialed Professionals

The [Global Centre for Credentialing and Certification \(GCCC\)](#) is proud to [announce the results of recent ICAP exams](#). Seventeen candidates from Tunisia and twenty from Cameroon recently passed the ICAP I exam. Five candidates from Abu Dhabi also passed the ICAP II exam and four of this year's Humphrey Fellows passed the ICAP I exam. **Congratulations to all of the newly credentialed**

Updates/

National Chapter News



Pakistan: We have lots of news updates from ISSUP Pakistan to share this week. Highlights include the inauguration ceremony for a new substance use disorders treatment facility in Islamabad plus the donation of protective gear to doctors and paramedics fighting COVID-19. Read the stories [here](#).

Stay informed/

Knowledge Share Resources

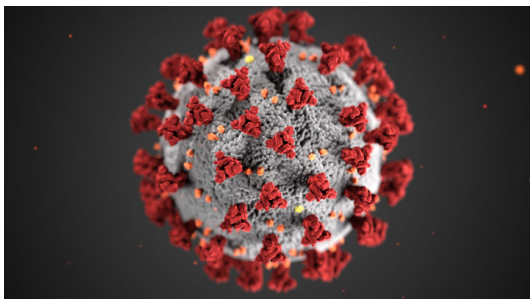


Friday 24th April 2020 10am Eastern Time | 3pm BST

[Webinar Recording: Supporting the Families of Substance Users](#)



[COVID-19 Preparedness and Responses in Prisons](#)



[Nora D. Volkow, MD: Collision of the COVID-19 and Addiction Epidemics](#)



[UNODC Parenting Resources to Help Caregivers Adapt to Changes & Challenges of COVID-19. Includes Resources for Children](#)

- [Drugs of Abuse Resource Guide 2020](#)
- [VIDEO: Self-Care in a Selfless Field](#)
- [Viruses and Places of Detention \(UNODC\)](#)

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- [How Can Telehealth Help in the Provision of Integrated Care?](#)

For your diary/

Upcoming Events

- May 6, 2020: **Advocating for Addiction Science Programmes at the University Level** with Matej Kosir, Director of the Utrip Research and Development Institute (UTRIP). Details on how to join are available [on the ICUDDR website](#).
- May 8: **USAPA** [Interactive Dialogue on Alcohol and COVID-19: A Dangerous Mix](#)
- **NAADAC** have a great series of webinars lined up this month. [Check out their listings](#)

Latest/

Jobs & Opportunities

[2020 William White Scholarship for Student Research Papers](#)

[PhD Studentship \(University of Dundee\) - Leveraging Process Models of Self-Regulation to Understand Self-Quitting in Scotland](#)

[Research Coordinator - Boston Medical Centre](#)

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