

# *Addiction and Recovery - An Update*

*Presented by the Mississippi Association of Recovering Pharmacists  
July 26, 2025*

*Lion Hills  
2331 Military Road, Columbus, MS. 39705*

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## **Saturday, July 26, 2025**

07:45-08:15am

Registration and breakfast

08:15-08:17am

Explanation of the Facilities and Scheduled Activities of the Day  
Jerry Fortenberry, MARP Seminar Coordinator

08:17-08:20am

Welcome and intro to first Speaker  
Robert Jordan, MARP President

08:20-09:20am

Examining the Role of Peer Support in  
Long Term Recovery  
April Miller, PharmD  
Mississippi Public Health Institute

09:20am-10:20am

Integrating Holistic Therapies: Yoga,  
Mindfulness, and Art Therapy in Re-  
covery  
Zach Thompson, LPC

10:20am-10:30am

Break

10:30am-12:00pm

Innovations in Medication Assisted  
Treatment (MAT)  
Dr. John Carr, MD

12:00pm-01:00pm

Lunch

01:00pm-02:30pm

The Impact of Cannabis on Addiction  
Trends  
Richard Hayward, M.D. (1.5 hours)  
Bradford Health Services

02:30pm-02:45pm

Break

02:45pm-03:45pm

Dual Diagnosis: Managing Addiction  
and Mental Health Disorders

Dr. Michael McCormick, MD  
Palmetto Addiction Recovery

03:45pm-04:45pm

Updated CDC Guidelines for Opioid Prescribing

Bryan Treanor, RPh.

Mississippi Public Health Institute

*Total CE hours for Saturday- up to 7 contact hours (0.70 ceu)*

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## **EXAMINING THE ROLE OF PEER SUPPORT IN LONG TERM RECOVERY**

**APRIL MILLER, PHARM D.**

ACPE UAN: 0032-9999-25-034-L99-P/T 1 contact hour (0.10 ceu)

Target audience---Pharmacists, pharmacy technicians

A knowledge-based continuing education activity

Learning Objectives:

At the conclusion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Define the role of Peer Support Specialists (PSS).
2. Describe the impact of peer support on long-term recovery.
3. Identify key competencies and skills of effective PSS.
4. Review best practices and integration into healthcare teams.

## **INTEGRATING HOLISTIC THERAPIES: YOGA, MINDFULNESS, AND ART THERAPY**

**ZACH THOMPSON, LPC** 1 contact hour (0.10 ceu)

ACPE UAN: 0032-9999-25-035-L99-P/T

A knowledge-based continuing education activity

Learning Objectives:

At the conclusion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Demonstrate the brain in connection with healthy relationships and coping skills.
2. Demonstrate an image of the brain in trauma.
3. Note the similarities between the brain on trauma and the brain in addiction relapse.
4. Discuss the relevance of connection, spirituality, and recovery in context of the brain and body.
5. Discuss how yoga, mindfulness, and art therapy aid in continued recovery.

## **INNOVATIONS IN MEDICATION ASSISTED TREATMENT (MAT)**

**DR. JOHN CARR, MD.**

APCE UAN: 0032-9999-25-036-L08-P/T 1.5 contact hours (0.15 ceu)

Target audience—Pharmacists, pharmacy technicians

A knowledge-based continuing education activity

Learning Objectives:

At the conclusion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Define medication assisted treatment and explain its role in treating substance use disorders (particularly opioid use disorder).
2. Describe the types of medications used in MAT (methadone, buprenorphine, naltrexone) and their mechanisms of action.
3. Identify common misconceptions and stigma surrounding MAT and its use in recovery.
4. List the benefits of MAT, including reduced relapse rates, improved patient outcomes, and lower risk of overdose.
5. Identify barriers to MAT access and how pharmacists can help reduce stigma and improve patient engagement.

## **THE IMPACT OF CANNABIS ON ADDICTION TRENDS**

**RICHARD HAYWARD, MD**

ACPE UAN: 0032-9999-25-037-L08-P/T 1.5 contact hours (0.15 ceu)

Target audience—Pharmacists, pharmacy technicians

A knowledge-based continuing education activity

Learning Objectives:

At the conclusion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Review terminology used regarding various cannabinoids and cannabinoid products.
2. Discuss the pharmacodynamics and pharmacokinetics of common cannabinoids.
3. Describe the effects of various potencies, availability and dosing routes of certain cannabinoids on addiction potential.
4. Discuss the role of the provider in medical cannabis therapy.

## **DUAL DIAGNOSIS: MANAGING ADDICTION AND MENTAL HEALTH DISORDERS**

**DR. MICHAEL MCCORMICK, MD**

APCE UAN: 0032-9999-25-038-L08-P/T 1.0 contact hour (0.10 ceu)

Target audience—Pharmacists, pharmacy technicians

A knowledge-based continuing education activity

Learning Objectives:

At the conclusion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Discuss the presence and significance of dual diagnoses of addiction and mental health disorder.
2. Explain how to diagnose substance disorders, mental health disorders, and their interactions.
3. Discuss the common substances related to mental health pathology.
4. Discuss how to effectively manage and successfully treat patients with dual diagnoses.

## **UPDATED CDC GUIDELINES FOR OPIOID PRESCRIBING**

**BRYAN TREANOR, RPH**

1.0 contact hour (0.10 ceu)

ACPE UAN: 0032-9999-25-039-L08-P/T

Target Audience- Pharmacists, pharmacy technicians

A knowledge-based continuing education activity

Learning Objectives:

At the conclusion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Describe the three steps in the step-wise approach to managing pain.
2. List at least three key updates to the 2022 Centers Disease Control and Prevention Pain Guidelines.
3. Discuss approaches pharmacists can incorporate into their practice to maximize benefits and minimize risks when utilizing opioids for pain.



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