

MEDIA ADVISORY

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(314) 446-8155 / (618) 420-9170 (cell)**St. Louis College of Pharmacy to Host Opioid Symposium***May 15 event will feature presentations from local experts who will highlight their work to address the opioid epidemic*

- WHO:** Ream Al-Hasani, Ph.D., assistant professor in the Department of Pharmaceutical and Administrative Sciences at St. Louis College of Pharmacy and assistant professor in the Department of Anesthesiology at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis; Liz Chiarello, Ph.D., assistant professor of sociology at Saint Louis University; Brandon Costerison, project manager for the Missouri Opioid & Heroin Overdose Prevention and Education (MO-HOPE) Project; Alicia Forinash, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS, BCACP, professor of pharmacy practice at St. Louis College of Pharmacy; Jose Moron-Concepcion, Ph.D., associate professor in the Department of Anesthesiology at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis; Amy Tiemeier, Pharm.D., BCPS, director of community partnerships and associate director of experiential education and associate professor of pharmacy practice at St. Louis College of Pharmacy; Melanie VanDyke, Ph.D., associate professor of psychology at St. Louis College of Pharmacy
- WHAT:** St. Louis College of Pharmacy will host a symposium featuring presentations from local opioid experts who will highlight multifaceted approaches to addressing the opioid epidemic
- WHEN:** Wednesday, May 15 from 3-4 p.m.
- WHERE:** The Recreation and Student Center on the St. Louis College of Pharmacy campus, located at 4588 Parkview Place, St. Louis, MO 63110

SIGNIFICANCE: St. Louis College of Pharmacy will unite local experts in clinical research, pharmacy, mental health and community health, who will share their insight on approaches to combatting the opioid epidemic via intriguing, five-minute presentations. Following the presentations, audience members will have the opportunity to ask questions and interact with presenters. Drs. Amy Tiemeier and Melanie VanDyke will also be available before and after the event to speak with members of the media.

The event is free and open to the public, but advanced registration is required. To register, members of the community are encouraged to send an email to mbresearch@stlcop.edu no later than Friday, May 10.

Editor's note: Media that are interested in attending the event should contact Shelene Treptow to make arrangements for parking. She can be reached at 618-420-9170 or via email at shelene.treptow@stlcop.edu.

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