State-of-the-Science Cannabis Research: Assessment Issues and Methods

presented by

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Dr. Conner conducts research that focuses on the etiology and negative outcomes of sensation seeking, emotion dysregulation and impulsivity across the lifespan. More specifically, he studies how certain genotypes and personality types influence the onset and course of disorders and the engagement in risky behaviors, such as cannabis use and the development of cannabis use disorder. Ultimately, the goal of his research is to further understanding of how prevention and intervention efficacy vary as a function of the interplay of genetic, personality, and environmental factors. Related to my research, he also serves as the Director for the Masters in Addictions Counseling program.

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Dr. Prince is an associate professor and the associate director of addiction counseling at Colorado State University. He received a PhD in clinical psychology and MS in applied statistics from Syracuse University in 2014. He completed is doctoral internship at Brown University and a postdoctoral fellowship at the Research Institute on Addictions. He is a licensed psychologist. Dr. Prince’s research focuses on the development of effective interventions for substance use, mechanisms of behavior change, measurement issues in addiction research, and advanced quantitative methods. In addition, Dr. Prince conducts research on etiology and epidemiology of substance use among reservation-based youth.

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Learning Objectives: As a result of participating in this Live Activity, participants should be able to:
1. Describe the different forms of cannabis and the amount of psychoactive compounds typically contained in legal market products.
2. Articulate the challenges with self-reported cannabis quantity assessments.
3. Identify challenging links between cannabis potency and physical and mental health outcomes.

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