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Please join us in early June as we showcase a number of effective drug addiction treatment systems that are making significant, positive change in cities across the country. As the data show, high quality accessible drug treatment not only reduces drug use, but also lowers the incidence of crime, reduces the spread of H.I.V., and restores health and economic well-being to drug-dependent individuals, families, and communities.

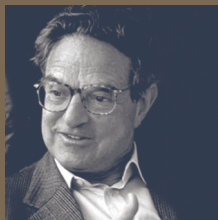
This conference will feature successful approaches that provide effective treatment, monitor outcomes, and build public systems with capacity to grow and treat larger numbers of drug-dependent people. You will hear from city leaders and experts who have implemented these programs, built active partnerships among city, state, and private funders, and created new delivery systems that have stemmed the tide of drug addiction in a number of major urban centers. In the process, leaders have mobilized public support for expanded treatment.

We will open the conference with an evening plenary session at which several mayors will present the view from City Hall; the following day, we will share best practices from several cities nationwide.

This conference is underwritten by the Open Society Institute-Baltimore and comes eight years after the city made it a priority to build an expanded drug treatment system. A scientific advisory committee comprising some of the nation's leading researchers and clinicians guides the city's efforts. Since the inception of this treatment campaign, funding has tripled, treatment capacity has more than doubled, and the city has created a clear blueprint for expansion. There is more work to be done, but we believe this is an ideal time to share our successes as well as learn from others around the country.

We look forward to seeing you in Baltimore.

Sincerely,



GEORGE **SOROS**, Chairman, Open Society Institute



MARTIN **O'MALLEY**, Mayor, City of Baltimore



MICHAEL J. **KLAG**, MD, MPH, Dean, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health

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WEDNESDAY JUNE 7, 2006

3:00 - 5:00 P.M.

Site Visits hosted by the Baltimore Substance Abuse Systems

Please note: Site visitors will meet in the lobby of the Tremont Plaza Hotel, 222 St. Paul Place, Baltimore, at 2:45 p.m.; busses will leave promptly at 3:00.

Choose one of the following:

NEEDLE EXCHANGE AND OVERDOSE PREVENTION: BRIDGES TO TREATMENT

Baltimore operates one of the largest publicly-funded needle exchange programs in the United States, one that aims to reduce the spread of HIV, prevent overdoses and to serve as a conduit to drug abuse treatment. The program operates at 12 sites, including two mobile vehicles and the first pharmacy-based needle exchange site in the country. Since 1994, it has exchanged over 6.5 million syringes, tested nearly 3,000 individuals for HIV and placed over 2,000 individuals into drug addiction treatment. Join **Susan Sherman, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of Epidemiology at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, for an annotated tour.

or

MOBILE METHADONE PROGRAM

The Institute for Behaviour Resources has been operating a mobile methadone treatment program in Baltimore for the past fifteen years. It has provided links to drug-free outpatient programs and successfully navigates the NIMBY syndrome through partnerships with community and faith-based organizations. Join **Carol Butler**, Director of Services Programs, and its founder, **Dr. Joseph Brady**, Professor of Behavioral Biology and Neurosciences at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, for a tour of this novel program.

or

MEET THE ADVOCATES

Open Society Institute-Baltimore has provided sustained funding for advocacy groups to educate the public and policy makers on the importance of expanding drug addiction treatment. The National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence - Maryland brings the voice of recovering individuals and their families to bear on this issue. The Citizens and Planning Housing Association has worked closely with neighborhood associations to combat the NIMBY problem. The University of Maryland Law Clinic has been working to ensure that the city's zoning codes support the goal of treatment expansion. Meet **Ann Ciekot** from the NCADD, **Michael Sarbanes** and **Carlos Hardy** from the CPHA and **Ellen Weber**, Assistant Professor, University of Maryland School of Law, for an engaging discussion on the vital role of advocacy in bringing treatment systems up to scale.

Given the importance of this topic, the Open Society Institute-Baltimore is underwriting this conference. Participants will only need to pay for travel and lodging.

LODGING: Rooms have been set aside at a special rate of \$149.00/night at the Tremont Plaza Hotel. Conference attendees must **make reservations by May 10, 2006** by calling 1-800-TREMONT (1-800-873-6668) and referencing "Open Society meeting" or via the web at www.1800tremont.com—use the pass code OPEN06.

REGISTRATION: To register, please fill out the attached card and **return it by May 1, 2006**. Note that spaces are limited, so please respond promptly to insure your place.

Although this conference is by invitation only, please let us know if there are others we should invite via e-mail to Spenser Villwock at svillwock@sorosny.org.

SITE VISITS: Note on the registration card if you would like to attend a site visit. On June 7, please meet at the lobby of the Tremont Plaza Hotel, 222 St. Paul Plaza, Baltimore, at 2:45 p.m. Busses will leave promptly at 3:00 p.m.

RECEPTION/DINNER: The opening reception/dinner and plenary session will be held at the Tremont Grand, 222 St. Paul Plaza, Baltimore, in the Edinburgh Room. A cash bar will open at 6:15 p.m. followed by dinner at 7 p.m.

CONFERENCE LOCATION: On Thursday, June 8, the conference program will take place at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, 1900 E. Monument Street, Baltimore. If you need transportation, please meet in the lobby of the Tremont Plaza Hotel at 7:45 a.m. The bus will leave promptly at 8 a.m. A continental breakfast will be held in Feinstone Hall. All sessions will take place in Sheldon Hall.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: For up to date information regarding the conference, please check www.osi-baltimore.org or call OSI–Baltimore at 410-234-1091.

6:15 - 7:00 P.M.

Reception (Cash bar) at the Tremont Grand Hotel
Edinburgh Room

7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

Dinner at the Tremont Grand Hotel
Edinburgh Room

OPENING PLENARY

LEADING THE WAY WITH TREATMENT: A VIEW FROM CITY HALL

Philanthropist **George Soros**, along with Mayors **Martin O'Malley** of Baltimore; **David N. Cicilline** of Providence, and **John W. Hickenlooper** of Denver will discuss the impact of addiction and the successes and challenges of providing drug treatment in our cities today.

THURSDAY JUNE 8, 2006

7:45 - 8:00 A.M.

Bus Leaves Tremont Plaza Hotel for the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health

8:00 - 9:00 A.M.

Registration and Continental Breakfast
Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Feinstone Hall

9:00 - 9:15 A.M.

WELCOMING REMARKS
Sheldon Hall

Michael Klag, M.D., M.P.H., Dean, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health

Diana Morris, J.D., Director, Open Society Institute-Baltimore

Robert Schwartz, M.D., Director of Drug Addiction Treatment, Open Society Institute-Baltimore and Medical Director of Friends Research Institute

9:15 - 9:55 A.M.

THE PUBLIC HEALTH IMPACT OF AN EFFECTIVE CITY-WIDE DRUG ADDICTION TREATMENT SYSTEM

David Vlahov, Ph.D., Director, Center for Urban Epidemiologic Studies, New York Academy of Medicine and Professor of Clinical Epidemiology, School of Public Health at Columbia University, New York, New York

Although research indicates that drug addiction treatment reduces drug use, crime and the spread of HIV infection, most treatments systems cannot provide care to a significant portion of needy residents because they are not built to scale. Dr. Vlahov will present evidence of the significant and persistent treatment gap in the United States and describe what can happen when a city successfully takes steps to meet the demand for treatment.

10:00 - 10:25 A.M.

INCREASING ACCESS TO ADDICTION TREATMENT IN BALTIMORE

Joshua Sharfstein, M.D., Commissioner of Health, Baltimore, Maryland
Baltimore launched its effort to provide ready access to effective drug addiction treatment to all of its residents in 1997. Although it has not met its ultimate goal of treatment for all, funding has tripled and capacity has more than doubled. Dr. Sharfstein will describe the on-going campaign for funding and capacity building, the impact treatment has made towards reducing drug use, crime and improving the health of the city, and next steps to meet the needs of those not yet treated.

10:25 - 11:00 A.M.

TREATMENT ON DEMAND IN SAN FRANCISCO

Alice Gleghorn, Ph.D., Deputy Director, Community Behavioral Health Services, Department of Public Health, San Francisco, California

Eight years ago when the city was experiencing budget surpluses, San Francisco's Health Department launched its treatment expansion efforts to address increased use of cocaine and methamphetamine. The city has made considerable progress and continues to expand access to drug addiction treatment. Dr. Gleghorn will describe San Francisco's approach and successes as well as its plans to expand treatment capacity even further to meet the demand.

11:00 - 11:25 A.M.

Break
Feinstone Hall

11:25 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

Improving Performance

IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF TREATMENT: A NATIONAL PERSPECTIVE

David L. Rosenbloom, Ph.D., Professor, Boston University School of Public Health, and Director, Join Together

Although treatment resources are still not adequate to meet the great need, Join Together has convened panels of experts that urge state and local treatment providers to develop systems which measure outcomes, promote accountability and reward results. Dr. Rosenbloom will discuss recent recommendations developed by Join Together to help state governments improve drug and alcohol treatment systems and adopt policies to improve local treatment systems.

BALTIMORE'S DRUGSTAT PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT SYSTEM

Adam Brickner, Director, Baltimore Substance Abuse Systems, Baltimore, Maryland

With the assistance of its Scientific Advisory Committee, Baltimore has set benchmarks for utilization, treatment retention and drug testing for each of its treatment modalities. It has implemented a system of reviewing these data with program directors in a group setting. This process facilitates accountability and provides a forum to share best practices, improve individual programs and plan system-wide interventions. Mr. Brickner will review data showing improvement in outcomes over the past five years

12:30 - 1:30 P.M.

Lunch
Feinstone Hall

1:30 - 3:00 P.M.

Service Linkage

LINKING PRIMARY CARE AND ADDICTION TREATMENT IN SAN FRANCISCO: OFFICE BASED OPIOID TREATMENT

Alice Gleghorn, Ph.D., Deputy Director, Community Behavioral Health Services, Department of Public Health, San Francisco, California

In order to increase access to effective opioid agonist therapy, San Francisco embarked on an ambitious plan to expand office-based treatment using primary care physicians. Dr. Gleghorn will describe the planning, implementation and results of this demonstrably effective program.

NEW YORK CITY'S BUPRENORPHINE EXPANSION PROGRAM

Lloyd Sederer, M.D., Director, Office of Mental Health, Substance Abuse and Developmental Disability, New York, New York

In order to expand access to treatment for New York City's estimated 200,000 heroin addicted residents, the city is implementing a plan to address the considerable regulatory, educational and funding barriers so that buprenorphine treatment for heroin addiction can become widely available. Dr. Sederer will describe the plan and its success to date.

INNOVATIVE AND EFFECTIVE USE OF CASE MANAGEMENT IN PHILADELPHIA

Marvin Levine, M.S.W., Executive Director, Coordinating Office for Drug and Alcohol Abuse Programs, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Inpatient detoxification is an expensive but necessary component to a treatment system. Its effectiveness, however, is compromised if patients do not continue in counseling after discharge. In order to improve its treatment system outcomes, Philadelphia implemented and evaluated a successful case management system to increase aftercare adherence for this high-risk, high-cost group of patients. Mr. Levin will describe Philadelphia's approach to case management and the resulting benefits.

3:00 - 4:00 P.M.

Outreach to out-of-treatment individuals

RECOVERY OUTREACH IN DETROIT

Calvin R. Trent, Ph.D., Director, Bureau of Substance Abuse Prevention, Treatment and Recovery, Department of Health and Wellness Promotion, City of Detroit, Michigan

One of Detroit's Substance Abuse Bureau goals is for patients to learn to live as recovering citizens in the community. Dr. Trent and his staff, in partnership with recovering individuals, have created a self-help "clubhouse" to serve as an entry point for treatment and as a community support during and after treatment. Dr. Trent will describe this important community-based approach to recovery and wellness.

NEEDLE EXCHANGE AS A LINKAGE TO TREATMENT IN SEATTLE

Michael Hanrahan, Manager, Education & Prevention Services, Public Health, Seattle and King County, Washington

Needle exchange programs have been proven to be highly effective at reducing the spread of HIV infection among injecting drug users who are not yet ready or able to discontinue drug use. Mr. Hanrahan will describe Seattle's needle exchange program, including its ability to attract intravenous drug addicted individuals into drug treatment and recovery.

4:00 - 4:15 P.M.

Break
Feinstone Hall

4:15 - 5:00 P.M.

CLOSING PLENARY

WHAT DO CITIES NEED TO BUILD EFFECTIVE DRUG ADDICTION TREATMENT SYSTEMS?

Barbara Garcia, Deputy Director of Health and Director of Community Programs, San Francisco Department of Public Health, **Carlos Hardy**, Community Organizer, Citizens Planning and Housing Association, Baltimore, **Jerome H. Jaffe, M.D.**, Professor of Psychiatry, University of Maryland School of Medicine, Baltimore, Maryland and the nation's first drug czar, and **David Rosenbloom, M.D.**, Director of Join Together.

What are the crucial components that need to be present to create systems that are effective in our cities? In this session, conference participants and panelists will synthesize what needs to occur to make public drug addiction treatment systems thrive.

5:00 P.M.

Conference adjourns

Founded by philanthropist George Soros, OSI-Baltimore is a private operating foundation that supports a grantmaking, educational and capacity-building program to expand justice and opportunity for Baltimore residents. With support from a range of investors, its current work focuses on helping Baltimore's youth succeed, reducing the social and economic costs of incarceration, tackling drug addiction, and building a corps of Community Fellows to bring innovative ideas to Baltimore's underserved communities.



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