

**2013 NIAAA T32 Training Directors' Meeting & Trainee Workshop**  
**October 18-20, 2013 San Diego, California**  
**Realistic Expectations in a Changing Research World**

Twenty-six NIAAA Institutional Research Training Programs are located across the United States providing specialized instruction to over 100 predoctoral and postdoctoral trainees annually in multiple areas of alcohol research. These programs are supported by the NIH Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award (NRSA) Institutional Training Grant (T32) mechanism.

Biennially, a NIAAA T32 Training Directors' Meeting and Trainee Workshop event gathers experienced senior scientists directing these programs, promising trainees in various stages of their career development, and knowledgeable staff from NIAAA for a unique weekend training opportunity. The objectives of the workshop are to promote trainee development and education, foster research collaborations and mentorships, expand the trainees' alcohol research knowledge base, build a strong biomedical workforce, inform trainees of current NIAAA initiatives and funding opportunities, and facilitate discussions to strengthen and support the training programs.

Past workshops have been hosted at: Indiana University (1999, 2001, 2003, 2005 and 2007); Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center (2009); and Brown University (2011). We are honored to host the 8th NIAAA T32 Training Directors Meeting and Trainee Workshop in San Diego, California. We welcome the training directors, faculty, and trainees from each of the 26 nationwide NIAAA T32 training programs and NIAAA to this year's event.

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