

[Interventions to Prevent and Treat Addictions Study Section \[IPTA\]](#)

The Interventions to Prevent and Treat Addictions (IPTA) study section reviews applications for qualitative and quantitative human research aimed at developing, modifying, adapting, piloting or testing interventions to prevent the onset of addictive and related problem behaviors, prevent the progression of substance use to abuse, curtail the progression of substance abuse to dependence, prevent relapse, and treat substance use disorders and other addictive behaviors, at the individual level. Prevention and treatment interventions tested under both controlled (efficacy) and real-world (effectiveness) conditions are included. Specific areas covered include:

- Interventions to prevent substance use and progression toward addiction during critical developmental periods (e.g., adolescence, emerging adulthood) and across the lifespan.
- Feasibility and pilot intervention studies.
- Clinical trials of pharmacotherapies and behavioral interventions.
- Randomized controlled trials and adaptive trial designs.
- Trials examining the effectiveness of efficacious interventions delivered in less controlled or uncontrolled situations or service settings.
- Testing of new technologies or other methods for administering interventions.
- Interventions targeting use and abuse of illicit drugs (including cocaine, heroin, marijuana, methamphetamine, new and emerging drugs) and alcohol, and related problems (e.g., substance-related violence and victimization); prescription drug misuse; nicotine dependence and use of alternative tobacco products.
- Evaluating the impact of health or social policy interventions (e.g., smoking bans) on addictive behaviors.
- Interventions among individuals with co-morbidity of addictions and other behavioral, medical, and psychological conditions.

Closely Related Study Sections:

Addiction Risks and Mechanisms Study Section [ARM]

Psychosocial Development, Risk, and Prevention Study Section [PDRP]

Community Influences on Health Behavior Study Section [CIHB]

Community-Level Health Promotion Study Section [CLHP]

Behavioral Genetics and Epidemiology Study Section [BGES]

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