

IDPH FAST PHACT

From Evidence to Action: Addressing Alcohol Use in Clinical Practice

April 16, 2026
12 – 1 p.m. (CST)

Join us for a series of clinician-directed interactive info sessions in an office hours format targeted towards raising timely awareness of emerging and high-impact public health issues that directly involve clinical care or health system considerations. All health care professionals are invited to participate.

Experts from IDPH and other agencies will discuss and present on 1 to 2 topics each session with a forum for addressing questions around clinician roles in these situations from triage and testing to reporting and prevention considerations.

Learning objectives:

- Describe current research-based evidence for alcohol's effects on health.
- Describe effective approaches to discussing alcohol consumption with patients.
- Understand the alcohol surveillance system recently employed by IDPH.
- Identify facilitators and barriers to alcohol surveillance work in the context of public health and clinical care.
- Describe academic detailing.
- Identify screening tools for AUD and treatment options.

Up to one credit hour of Continuing Medical Education Credit is Available.

Live webinar attendance with completion of post-webinar survey and is quiz required.

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