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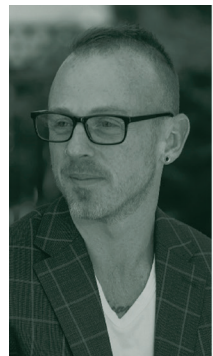
CURRENT INITIATIVES AND FUNDING PRIORITIES

Endowed Medical School Fellowships

The GPF Foundation (GPF) offers annual fellowships to graduate and professional school students at Rosalind Franklin University. Students may apply individually or in inter-professional teams and, if accepted, receive a monetary award. The fellows are central to the GPF's Educational and Medical Initiatives, creating and delivering research-based presentations on the risks of recreational drug use, authoring articles for peer-reviewed publications, and helping to

administer and design IRB-approved interventions and education for medical practitioners. All projects are related to the exacerbated risks associated with adulteration (increasingly with fentanyl), to adolescents and young adults.

****Fellowship support ensures that risk awareness is embedded in the day-to-day training of emerging medical professionals who will carry knowledge gained into their clinical practices.***



Diagnostic Drop-Down Menu Development

GPF is collaborating with its medical partners to develop a lifesaving decision-making tool for frontline healthcare personnel. Designed to interface with patient intake technology, the customized drop-down menu will guide ER staff, general physicians, and behavioral health providers through accurate diagnosis and appropriate response to a medical emergency precipitated by recreational drug adulteration, whether that be an order for toxicology labs, immediate hospital admission, or referral for psychiatric treatment.

****Investment in this multi-year project will enable GPF's medical partners to build a robust research foundation and develop a tool scalable across populations and treatment settings.***

Community Outreach and Education

Hundreds of young adults ages 18-25 have benefited from GPFF's educational presentations, with program assessment confirming an average 75% new knowledge acquisition rate. With that success as a guide, GPFF is now working to extend its presentations to a high school audience. It has contracted with an Outreach and Education Coordinator and is prioritizing



partnerships with youth-serving institutions and organizations (schools, libraries, after-school programs, sports leagues, and summer camps).

****Contributions to outreach and education are investments in the Lake County community that will increase awareness and create safer spaces for our children.***

Partnership with Lurie Children's

The combined expertise and efforts of the GPF Foundation and Lurie Children's will offer programming and reach to educate adolescents and young adults with life-saving

information related to substance use that neither organization is able to offer on their own. This partnership will provide the basis for a team that will provide region-wide leadership for presentation content, development of harm reduction orientation materials and improvement of evaluative tools and methodologies for schools, extracurricular organizations and youth groups across the Chicago metropolitan area.

****Funds supporting GPFF's work with Lurie Children's help solidify a partnership network that includes leading medical institutions and communication experts in the field of youth harm reduction.***



First Responders Training Program

An emerging alliance between GPFF and Lake County Chiefs of Police Association (LCCPA) will ensure that basic knowledge of the symptomology of adulterated recreational drug ingestion and critical next steps are accessible to those who most frequently encounter such medical emergencies. GPFF-LCCPA partnership will provide customized trainings to Lake County police officers, furthering LCCPA's mission to advance their professional development and GPFF's to save lives through education and awareness.

****Investment in training those working at the front lines creates an environment of greater safety and increased trust across communities and among all Lake County residents.***



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