

March 2025 Monthly E-Newsletter



Notable Mentions

March has already come to a close, and Spring is in the air as INTS continues to blossom.

Here's a quick glance at some of the key moments from this month and what is on the horizon:



RegWatch interview with Kevin Schroth was released.

Explore discussions of tobacco harm reduction, RDA regulation, nicotine pouches, and more in [this RegWatch interview](#).



The 2025 annual SRNT conference was a success.

INTS faculty and staff presented a record-breaking number of presentations at the annual SRNT meeting, with over 40 papers and posters! For conference highlights, [click here](#).

Another successful Tobacco Treatment Specialist (TTS) Training is complete.

15 professionals, including respiratory therapists, nurses, health educators, and more, attended the March 2025 training session. Outside of NJ and

Tobacco Treatment Specialist Training

Select disciplines can
earn approximately
32
CE credit hours*

*Visit tobaccoprogram.org for
comprehensive CE credit hour information

NY, attendees from Maryland, Virginia, Michigan, New Mexico, and California tuned in to learn.

Grants & Awards



Congratulations on the following new grants awarded this month!

Olivia Wackowski received a new R01 from the National Institutes on Minority Health and Health Disparities, along with Dana Carroll (contact PI) at the University of Minnesota, titled “Evaluating Population-Based Strategies for Rural Smoking Cessation” (R01MD020559). The timeline for this project is March 1, 2025 - November 30, 2029.

Michelle Bover Manderski and Ollie Ganz received a 12 month, \$400,000 award from the NIH-FDA Opportunity Fund entitled “A Multi-Method Study Examining Age Differences in ENDS Use Behaviors Among Adults Who Smoke Cigarettes.” The NIH-FDA Opportunity Fund is a competitive mechanism to fund FDA high priority rapid research and is administered through CASEL (U54DA046060). The timeline for this project is May 1, 2025 - April 30, 2026.

Upcoming Events & Important Reminders



**Julia Chen-Sankey, Ph.D.,
M.A.**

Lecture Title: Unpacking the
Influence of E-Cigarette
Marketing Features: Insights
into Appeal, Engagement, and
Behavior

NIH ODP Early Stage Investigator Lecture on Friday, April 25

NIH's Office of Disease Prevention (ODP) announces its Early-Stage Investigator Lectures (ESIL) featuring the 2025 awardees which includes **Dr. Julia Chen-Sankey**. Her lecture will take place via Zoom from **11 AM to 12 PM on Friday, April 25**. ODP's ESIL recognizes early-career prevention scientists who are poised to become future leaders in prevention research. More details on how to register will follow.

INTS will be at Rutgers Day on Saturday, April 26

If you are interested in participating in Rutgers Day, reach out to **Mary Hrywna** to see how you can get involved.

[Learn more about Rutgers Day](#)



2025 Annual Retreat on Cancer Research in New Jersey

You still have time to register! Be sure to register by Thursday, May 15, 2025, in order to attend.

[Apply here](#)

Staff Headshots and Biographies



As we continue to capture headshots for our updated website, we also want to begin collecting biographies. Please view the tips below to draft/edit your bio accordingly and **send it to Paige no later than Friday, June 13.**

- Third person POV
- Job title/responsibilities
- Education history
- Skills\specializations
- Hobbies and interests outside of work
- Between 75 - 150 words

We are still capturing headshots if you do not have one already. If you have a professional headshot that you would prefer to use, or you are looking to get an updated one, send your headshot to **Paige Gerald**s or schedule your appointment by messaging her via Teams or email.

Communications Strategies



Do you have any ideas or important items to share each month? Reach out to **Paige Gerald**s, the Marketing and Communications Coordinator, to share your items and ideas or if there is anything we want to consider for wider promotion. Additionally, help us grow by following INTS on **LinkedIn**, **Twitter (X)**, and **Bluesky**, and interacting with us on social media!

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