

## **Addressing Ohio's Opioid Crisis**

The opioid epidemic has impacted the entire United States, and Ohio is no exception. In 2015, over 3000 Ohioans died as a result of opioid overdose with thousands more being saved only due to timely access to naloxone and other life-saving measures. Reversing this trend is difficult and requires a combination of efforts including prevention, early intervention, and effective treatment. This session will describe factors that contributed to the evolution of this epidemic, interventions that are currently underway, and treatment modalities that psychiatrists can utilize to assist patients with opioid use disorders.