

## Good morning!

The CPA Planning Committee is excited to host you for the 2019 Collaborative Perspectives on Addiction Conference this week at The Hotel Providence in Providence, RI. In addition to the information found in the program, please note the following details:

**WEATHER:** The good news is that there is no snow in the forecast. The daytime highs will be 52 (Thurs), 46 (Fri) and 61 (Saturday), with a 40% chance of rain on both Friday and Saturday.

**ADDRESS AND PARKING:** The hotel address is 139 Mathewson St, Providence, RI 02903. The hotel provides hotel guests Valet parking an overnight rate of \$29. Attendees not staying overnight will be charged a \$16 Valet parking fee per day.

**SYMPOSIA PRESENTERS:** Sessions are run back-to-back, so please ensure that your sessions are completed in the allotted timeframe. Bring your slides on a USB, and be sure to load on the computer in advance of your talk. Each room will be equipped with a Windows PC laptop that must be used. Mac compatibility will NOT be supported so please be sure your slides are PC compatible in advance.

**REGISTRATION HOURS:** You can obtain your program and name tag at the Registration desk (located in the lobby) during the following hours: **Thursday**, 8am - 5pm; **Friday**, 8am to 5pm, **Saturday**, 7:30am to 10:00am.

**KICK-OFF** and **KEYNOTES**: Following the Thursday Preconference Workshops (9am-12pm, registration required), the conference will kick-off Thursday at 1:00 pm in the Ballroom. Following welcoming remarks, keynote speaker Dr. Felipe Gonzáles Castro will deliver a keynote address. Dr. Rajita Sinha will deliver the second keynote on Friday from 2pm – 3pm in the Ballroom. **Please note that as the ballroom will seat only 200, the keynotes will also be simulcast for viewing in the Johnson & Wales meeting room on the second level.** The conference will adjourn Saturday afternoon at 12:30pm.

**NETWORKING EVENTS:** See page 8 of the <u>program</u> for the range of social and networking events we offer. \*\*\*In order to attend the student and early career mentoring lunch on Friday at 12:15, you must have already signed up to receive a ticket. For registrants, tickets will be included in your badge and you will be informed of your seating/mentor assignment at registration.

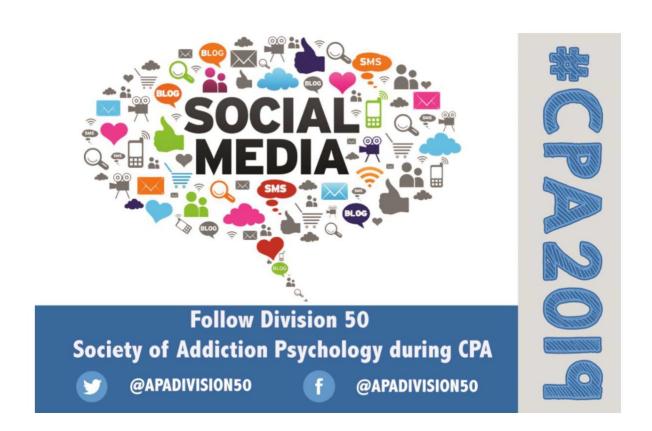
**PHOTO/VIDEO:** We ask that any presenter who does NOT want the audience to take photo/video of presentation content indicate this at the beginning of the talk, and that attendees respect presenter wishes.

**MEALS:** Your registration includes continental breakfast on Friday and Saturday. Coffee will also be available throughout the day! In addition, a social hour with cash bar and free hors d'oeuvres will take place on Friday at 8pm.

We look forward to connecting with you all in Providence!

## The 2019 CPA Planning Committee

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