

The opioid crisis is complex. Together, we can overcome it.

The Action Collaborative is a public-private partnership made up of more than 55 participants representing federal, state, and local governments; health systems; associations and provider groups; health education and accrediting institutions; pharmacies; payers; industry; nonprofits; and academia.

The Action Collaborative is committed to developing, curating, and disseminating multi-sector solutions designed to reduce opioid misuse and improve outcomes for individuals, families, and communities affected by the opioid crisis. Over the next two years, the Action Collaborative will work to:

- 1 Identify and raise the visibility of complex challenges, outstanding research gaps and needs of the opioid crisis that require a collective, multi-sectoral response;**
- 2 Elevate and accelerate evidence-based, multi-sectoral, and interprofessional solutions to improve outcomes for those affected by the opioid crisis; and**
- 3 Catalyze action on shared priorities and solutions to help overcome the crisis and improve outcomes for all.**

The Action Collaborative will focus on four core priority areas:

Education and Training: Working toward a coordinated, interprofessional, patient- and family-centered approach for the continuum of health professional education that addresses acute and chronic pain management and substance use disorders.

Prescribing Guidelines and Evidence Standards: Identifying opportunities to align opioid prescribing guidelines for acute and chronic pain indications where the guidelines deviate, promote judicious opioid prescribing, and support the implementation of acute and chronic pain guidelines into practice.

Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery: Accelerating the curation and dissemination of best practices and integrated approaches to prevention, treatment, and recovery services for opioid use disorder, with guidance for how to implement, scale, and sustain them.

Research, Data, and Metrics: Addressing issues and accelerating solutions pertaining to data access, sharing, and measurement, as well as identifying critical research gaps and needs.

This collaborative is chaired by Victor J. Dzau, President of the NAM, and co-chaired by leaders from the public, private, and non-profit sectors: ADM Brett Giroir, Assistant Secretary for Health at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Jonathan Perlin, President, Clinical Services and Chief Medical Officer at HCA Healthcare; and Ruth Katz, Director of the Health, Medicine, and Society Program at the Aspen Institute.

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