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PGDF Partners with Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation on *Addiction Medicine for Primary Care Providers Conference*

BALTIMORE, Md. (Feb. 27. 2018) – The Peter G. Dodge Foundation (PGDF) is pleased to announce it will partner with leading nonprofit addiction treatment provider Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation to present *Addiction Medicine for the Primary Care Provider*. The full-day educational conference, to be held at the Omni Rancho Las Palmas Resort in Rancho Mirage, Calif., on Thursday, **Oct. 25**, will be presented by Hazelden Betty Ford's Medical and Professional Education program, with the support of PGDF.

Featuring keynote presentations by **Dr. Nora Volkow, Director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse**, and **Dr. George Koob, Director of the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism**, the conference will provide comprehensive training to primary care providers and medical students to help them improve identification and management of substance use disorders in their practices.

Other speakers include leading experts like Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation Chief Medical Officer Dr. Marvin Seppala and Youth Continuum Medical Director Dr. Joseph Lee, as well as Jerry Moe, national director of the Betty Ford Center Children's Program, and Jan Gryczynski, PhD, from the Friends Research Institute.

Among the topics to be presented by leading experts in the field at the daylong event are the neurobiology of addiction; the role of primary care in confronting the opioid crisis; screening and brief interventions for substance use disorders; medications for treating addiction; risk factors in adolescents; co-occurring disorders; and how addiction affects the family. Primary care physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, pharmacists, residents, psychiatrists, fellows and mental health professionals are invited to attend, and will have the opportunity to earn continuing education credits.

An early registration rate is available through Aug. 25. To register, visit:
HazeldenBettyFord.org/AddictionMedicine.

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About the Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation

The Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation is a force of healing and hope for individuals, families and communities affected by addiction to alcohol and other drugs. It is the nation's largest nonprofit treatment provider, with a legacy that began in 1949 and includes the 1982 founding of the Betty Ford Center. With 17 sites in California, Minnesota, Oregon, Illinois, New York, Florida, Massachusetts, Colorado and Texas, the Foundation offers prevention and recovery solutions nationwide and across the entire continuum of care to help youth and adults reclaim their lives from the disease of addiction. It includes the largest recovery publishing house in the country, a fully accredited graduate school of addiction studies, an addiction research center, an education arm for medical professionals and a unique children's program, and is the nation's leader in advocacy and policy for treatment and recovery. Learn more at HazeldenBettyFord.org and on Twitter [@hazldnbettyford](https://twitter.com/hazldnbettyford).

About The Peter G. Dodge Foundation:

The Peter G. Dodge Foundation is a philanthropic organization dedicated to helping people lead lives free from the effects of alcohol addiction. Established in 2014 by Hanover Research Founder Peter G. Dodge, PGDF supports the advancement of new treatments and the dissemination of up-to-date information about alcohol use disorder. For the latest news and updates from PGDF follow us on [Twitter](https://twitter.com/pgdf), [Facebook](https://facebook.com/pgdf), and [LinkedIn](https://linkedin.com/company/pgdf).