CARES
The Center for Addiction Research, Education and Service
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CARES – The Evolution

• Interprofessional
  – Existing Campus Center for Interprofessional Education
• Social Work and Pharmacy Leadership
• Campus Buy-in and Commitment to Funding
• Centers Are a Cross School Mechanism
• Campus has growing ties to community
The mission of the Center for Addiction Research, Education, and Service (CARES) is to strengthen and advance UMB’s efforts to address the adverse impact of addiction on individuals, families, communities, and society.

CARES – The Cores

- Workforce Development and Technical Assistance
- Development of Innovative Models and Systems of Care
- Translational Addiction Research and Data Surveillance and Management
- Policy Analysis, Development and Education

Each core led by 2 faculty from different schools.
CARES – The Evolution

- Social event for community leaders
- Pilot project funding
  - All core leaders participate in evaluation
- Work with partners in Maryland Behavioral Health Administration
- Host Congressional staffers
- Annual statewide symposium
- Inventory of campus expertise, research and funding

CARES Pilot Awards

- First Round – 9 interdisciplinary team submissions
- 3 awards
  - Understanding and Addressing Drug Diversion, Medication Disposal Practices, and Risk of Substance Misuse in Hospice Care
  - Translational Research for Optimizing Pharmacotherapeutic Care in Infants with Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome
  - Development of Phone Based Applications to Relieve Traumatic Pain and Prevent Substance Use Related to Long-Term Use of Opioids