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## 1. SAMHSA REPORT

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) announces its recent publication, Risk and Protective Factors for Adolescent Drug Use: Findings from the 1999 National Household Survey on Drug Abuse. The report presents detailed information about risk and protective factors for substance use among youths aged 12 to 17, using data from the 1999 National Household Survey on Drug Abuse (NHSDA). The 1999 NHSDA included a fairly comprehensive set of risk and protective factor items and constructs based on the work of Hawkins, Catalano, and Miller (1992). The 1999 NHSDA results are based on a sample of over 25,000 youth. The report presents the national distribution of risk and protective factors for this group, associations between individual risk and protective factors and youth substance use, the predictive power of the various domains of risk and protective factors in predicting youth substance use, a brief examination of some of the advantages of hierarchical modeling, and a discussion of changes in risk and protective factors over time and their possible association with trends in youth marijuana use.

For a copy of the report, please contact SAMHSA's National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information (NCADI) at 1-800-729-6686. To view the report, go to ALatest Data@ on the web at <http://www.DrugAbuseStatistics.samhsa.gov>. You can also sign up for the mailing list to receive future SAMHSA publications at the SAMHSA website: <http://www.samhsa.gov>.

## 2. INSTITUTE FOR COMMUNITY RESEARCH CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS

The Institute for Community Research (ICR) in Hartford, CT is sponsoring "Crossroads: Critical Issues in Community-Based Research Partnerships", a national conference that will critically explore issues related to community-based research partnerships, methodology, and methods of dissemination. The conference will take place June 10-13, 2004 in Hartford, CT.

ICR is currently accepting applications for workshop and panel discussion proposals that address how class, ethnicity, race, gender, culture and power impact research partnerships; gaps between communities and the institutions that serve them (e.g., cultural institutions, schools, clinics, after-school programs, political representatives); and ways that participatory or collaborative research partnerships can remedy these and other cultural, health, mental health, environmental and economic policy oriented problems. The conference will explore and critique core dimensions of CBCR in the following areas: Theory, Ethics, Methods, Skills, Use of Research Results and Topical Issues. (See <http://www.incommunityresearch.org/news/CrossroadsConf/presentapps.htm> for more information about Tracks, Session topics and application procedures. Application Deadline: March 15, 2004

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