NaRCAD2026:

"Charting Our Course: Reimagining the AD Ecosystem"

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2026	
8:15 AM – 9:00 AM	**Breakfast & Networking**
9:00 AM – 9:30 AM	**NaRCAD2026 Kick-Off & Opening Remarks** *Celebrate the start of the conference with a welcome from NaRCAD co-hosts Bevin Amira and Anna Morgan-Barsamian, featuring highlights, updates, and a preview of what's ahead.*
9:30 AM – 10:30 AM	**Keynote: Annual AD Talk with Jerry Avorn, MD** *Explore the power of evidence-based education and the future of healthcare improvement with AD originator and NaRCAD Co-Founder Dr. Jerry Avorn.*
10:30 AM – 10:45 AM	**Morning Break**
10:45 AM – 12:15 PM	**Field Presentations:** **"Expansive Applications: Exploring Advancements in AD"** *Hear from programs using innovative strategies to expand the reach and impact of AD, exploring topics such as artificial intelligence, substance use, and sexual health in Native communities.*
12:15 PM – 1:45 PM	**Lunch**
1:45 PM – 3:15 PM	**Day 1 Breakout Sessions** **"Advancing AD Excellence: Foundations, Expansion, & Future Impact"** *Choose from interactive sessions designed to build practical skills and strengthen AD programs, from mastering AD fundamentals and increasing program visibility to incorporating lived experience and creating impactful projects with limited resources.*
3:15 PM – 3:35 PM	**Afternoon Networking Coffee Break**
3:35 PM – 5:00 PM	**Afternoon Panel: "Connecting Across Borders: Global Insights"** *Join surprise guests from around the globe as they highlight diverse approaches, experiences, and opportunities for improving patient-centered care through AD.*
5:00 PM	**Day 1 Wrap-up & Evaluations** *Reflect on key takeaways from the day, share your feedback, and learn what's in store for Day 2.*
5:00 – 6:30 PM	**Evening Reception** *Join us for drinks and appetizers at the Fairmont Copley Plaza as you network and unwind with colleagues.*

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2026	
8:15 AM – 9:00 AM	**Breakfast & Networking**
9:00 AM – 9:45 AM	**DAY 2 KICK-OFF & OPENING REMARKS** *Start Day 2 with reflections, updates, and a welcome from NaRCAD Founder and Director Mike Fischer as we continue exploring the future of AD.*
9:45 AM – 10:30 AM	**KEYNOTE: ROCKO COOK** *Discover the power of incorporating lived experience and community-centered approaches into AD program planning and implementation with our esteemed colleague Rocko Cook, the Program Manager of the innovative DISH-AZ program at the Southwest Interdisciplinary Research Center (SIRC) at University of Arizona's College of Medicine.*
10:30 AM – 10:45 AM	**Morning Break**
10:45 AM – 12:15 PM	**DAY 2 BREAKOUT SESSIONS** **"FROM IDEAS TO ACTION: PRACTICAL STRATEGIES FOR SUSTAINABLE SUCCESS"** *Strengthen your ability to adapt to the rapidly-changing healthcare landscape through specialized breakout sessions focused on developing flexible communication skills, incorporating emerging technology, and igniting stakeholder support.*
12:15 PM – 1:45 PM	**Lunch**
1:45 PM – 2:15 PM	**"SHOUT-OUTS AND CELEBRATIONS: VALUING OUR WORK AND EACH OTHER"** *Recognize and appreciate the contributions and collaborations of our AD community!*
2:15 PM – 3:30 PM	**FIELD PRESENTATIONS: "THE AD YEARBOOK: COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS"** *Discover how programs are advancing AD through unique approaches, including engaging students in outreach, implementing opioid misuse campaigns, and applying evidence-based strategies to improve care.*
3:30 PM – 4:15 PM	**WRAP-UP & EVALUATIONS (& EXTENDED NETWORKING!)** *Share your feedback with us and reflect on your conference experience. You can also enjoy extended networking time and exchange ideas and contact information with new and familiar colleagues!*
4:15 PM	**ADJOURNMENT**