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## *Editor's Corner: The Family Is Changing*

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WORKING ON A SCIENTIFIC JOURNAL involves close interaction with a limited number of key people. For the *Journal of Studies on Alcohol and Drugs* (JSAD), this requires teamwork between our two major offices, which includes the managing editor's office at the Rutgers Center of Alcohol Studies and the editor and associate-editor group based in San Diego. As we progress through our six issues each year, we share in decision making and planning for the future. Over the years, we have become like a family, and there is sadness when any member of our group moves on. However, as in any close unit, changes do indeed occur, and these evoke both feelings of loss as well as excitement about new opportunities.

So, I'll begin this editorial with the sad news. Kathy Bucholz, Ph.D., who has been an important and integral member of our associate editor team since 2005, is, unfortunately for us, moving on to other opportunities. She will be leaving JSAD effective January 1, 2012. During these last seven years, Kathy, John Helzer, M.D., and I built upon our long-term acquaintance and mutual feelings of respect and affection that have marked our relationships for several decades. We will miss Kathy's counsel, excellent judgment, intelligence, sense of humor, and dedication to getting things right. All of us in the JSAD family wish Kathy well and give her fair warning that we will be looking to her in the future for yet more informal advice, as well as her superb role as a referee for submitted articles.

Speaking of articles, in the last several years the number of submissions to JSAD has almost tripled compared with the numbers we encountered when I first joined the journal. As a result, Kathy's decision to move on helped us realize that we not only needed to find an associate editor to replace her, but, because of the expanding workload, we really needed two new people. Therefore, the good news is that effective January 1, 2012, we will now have two new excellent associate editors who will join John Helzer and me in our editorial duties.

Let me begin with Brian Borsari, Ph.D. He is an associate professor in the Department of Behavioral and Social Sciences and the Department of Psychiatry and Health Be-

havior at Brown University, Providence, RI. At the Center for Alcohol and Addictions Studies, Brian's research focuses on the personal and peer influences on alcohol use in college students, the development and implementation of brief motivational interventions (BMIs) to address college student drinking, and the study of in-session processes to help understand how these BMIs work. Brian is also a staff psychologist at the Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) Clinic at the Providence Veteran Affairs Medical Center. At the PTSD Clinic, he is developing a research program focused on the comorbidity between substance use disorders and PTSD, the effect that cognitive behavioral therapy for insomnia has on substance use and symptoms of PTSD, and the development of BMIs that facilitate treatment engagement in returning veterans. These areas of expertise, along with his extensive knowledge about both psychology and substance use disorders, will make him a valuable member of our team.

We are also very fortunate to have Sam Kuperman, M.D., join our editorial staff. Sam is currently the Ida P. Haller Chair in Child Psychiatry at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics in Iowa City, Iowa. He also serves as the co-training director for the division of child psychiatry at his hospital and has received many teaching awards for his work with psychiatric residents. He offers JSAD the opportunity to add to our group someone with training in child and adolescent psychiatry who has broad clinical and research experience. Sam's research interests have included the genetic contributions to alcohol use disorders; studies of the clinical course of alcohol abuse and dependence; and the comorbidity between conduct disorders, suicide attempts, and substance-related problems.

So, as we say goodbye to Kathy Bucholz, we welcome Brian Borsari and Sam Kuperman to our journal and look forward to a close working relationship for what we hope is many years to come.

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