

REGISTRATION **UB|MD**  PSYCHIATRY

Click the link below for registration information:

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Registration Deadline is September 8th. We are unable to process any registrations/payments after this date.

Registration questions?
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21st Annual
Comprehensive Review
of Psychiatry
"Connected Care:
Community and Family
Systems in Psychiatry"

September 17th & 18th
2026

Barrel Factory, Buffalo, NY



Speakers & Program Schedule



Lisa Dixon, MD
Columbia University, OnTrackNY

Michelle Rickerby, MD
Brown University

Barbara McCrady, PhD
University of New Mexico

Expert Panel
Cheri Alvarez
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Thursday, September 17th, 2026

- 9:00 – 9:30 Registration & View Exhibits
- 9:30 – 9:40 Welcome & Introduction
- 9:40 – 11:10 “Improving Quality of Care and Family Support” | Lisa Dixon, MD
- 11:10 – 1:10 Department Flash Talks, Lunch, View Exhibits
- 1:10 – 2:10 Poster Presentations, Discussion, View Exhibits
- 2:10 – 3:40 “Family-Based Integrated Care in Psychiatry: A Family Systems Lens and Practical Tools for Use Across Settings” | Michelle Rickerby, MD

CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES

The goal of this conference is to update participants on current advances in psychiatry and mental healthcare through the theme of *Connected Care: Community and Family Systems of Psychiatry*. Through lectures, discussions, and a moderated expert panel, participants will explore clinically relevant approaches to integrating biological, psychological, developmental, family, community, and systems-based perspectives into psychiatric care. At the completion of this activity, participants should be able to:

1. Identify common family systems challenges in psychiatric practice.
2. Appreciate evidence-based family systems interventions in psychiatry, including a review of the Family-Based Integrated Care Framework.
3. Describe at least two ways to incorporate families into substance use disorder treatment for adults.
4. Summarize outcomes of research on family-involved substance use disorder treatment for adults.
5. Understand evidence-based approaches to improving the quality of care and family support in the treatment of first-episode psychosis.

Friday, September 18th 2026

- 9:00 – 9:30 Registration & View Exhibits
- 9:30 – 9:40 Welcome & Introduction
- 9:40 – 11:10 “Incorporating The Family into Substance Use Disorder Treatment: An Essential Piece of The Treatment Plan” | Barbara McCrady, PhD
- 11:10 – 1:10 Department Flash Talks, Lunch, View Exhibits
- 1:10 – 2:10 Poster Presentations, Discussion, View Exhibits
- 2:10 – 3:40 “Community Partners Panel: Working Better By Working Together”

CME ACCREDITATION & CERTIFICATION

The University at Buffalo, Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians. The University at Buffalo, Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, designates this live activity for a maximum of 12.00 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s). Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

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