

ABOUT THE TREATMENT RESEARCH INSTITUTE

The Treatment Research Institute (TRI) is an independent, non-profit research and development group dedicated to developing and providing evidence-based solutions to the devastating problems of substance abuse that are affecting families, schools, businesses, courts and healthcare.

Co-founded in 1992 by A. Thomas McLellan, Ph.D., Jack Durell, M.D. and others from the University of Pennsylvania's Center for the Studies of Addiction, TRI conducts original research and adapts scientific findings into tools to improve substance abuse policies and practice.

In 2009, A. Thomas McLellan was named by the Obama/Biden Administration to be Science Advisor and Deputy Director of the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy. During his tenure, he helped shape new policies for prevention and early intervention for substance misuse, and emphasized evidence-based programs to address the complex and cross-cutting issues of addiction in this nation. In 2012, McLellan returned to TRI as Chief Executive Officer, resuming his place alongside the investigators and staff whose research, policy and development expertise have put TRI in the forefront of many of the most important advances in the addiction field.

Comprised of seven Sections and Centers, the mission of the TRI is to translate scientific findings into evidence-based tools for parents, clinicians, courts, and government agencies. TRI investigators were some of the first to refer to addiction as a chronically relapsing disease (in 2000, an original concept at the time, and not entirely accepted in all sectors). To learn more about the TRI or its work, please visit the website at www.tresearch.org. For interviews please call Bonnie Catone at 215-399-0980.