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*****MEDIA ADVISORY*****

NIDA/ONDCP to launch online physician training tools

New CME modules will provide healthcare providers guidance on how to manage pain in their patients while reducing the likelihood of addiction

NIDA Director [Dr. Nora D. Volkow](#) will join White House Drug Policy Director [R. Gil Kerlikowske](#) at a media briefing to announce the launch of two new continuing medical education courses on safe prescribing practices for pain and managing pain patients who abuse prescription drugs. Using a “test and teach” approach, the online modules, which will reside on the Medscape Web site, will include several video vignettes modeling doctor-patient conversations on the safe and effective use of opioid pain medications.

WHO: Dr. Nora D. Volkow, Director, National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)

R. Gil Kerlikowske, Director, White House Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP)

WHEN: Monday, October 1, 2012
10:00 a.m. EDT

WHERE: Office of National Drug Control Policy
750 17th St. NW
Washington, D.C. 20006

Media must RSVP by emailing mediainquiry@ondcp.eop.gov
Call in number available upon request.

For more information on the content of the educational modules, please contact NIDA’s press team: media@nida.nih.gov or 301-443-6245.

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