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Primary Research Interest:	Psychiatry
Description of Research:	We are interested in clinical trials for treatment of substance use disorders and co-occurring psychiatric disorders as well as quality improvement initiatives to improve treatment outcomes for our system of care.
Relevance to VA:	Substance use disorders (SUDs) affect 7.1% of veterans(SAMHSA 2007, NHSDUH). The past year SUD prevalence is 25% in veterans ages 18 to 25. SUDs increase the risk of poor medical and psychiatric outcomes.