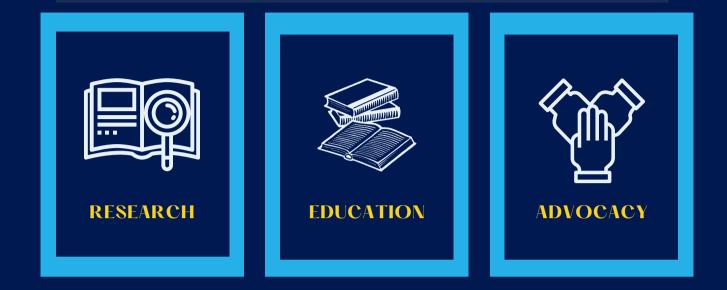
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YEAR IN REVIEW 2024

The Rothman Opioid Foundation supports and advances the highest quality research on opioids and alternative pain modalities in order to yield findings that can better inform patients, physicians, and the greater health care community in the most evidenced-based pain management strategies.

We are a private foundation dedicated to funding and advancing research and education aimed at finding solutions to the opioid epidemic.



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

In 2024, the Foundation continued its work of combatting the Opioid Crisis in our immediate region as well as nationally - focusing on research, education, and advocacy.

We organized two symposiums, the first in Pittsburgh along with the Pennsylvania Pain Society, and the second in Philadelphia focused on the worsening Xylazine crisis. The latter was the first of its kind symposium bringing clinicians, surgeons, and policymakers from across Philadelphia to discuss how best to tackle illicit opioids laced with xylazine resulting in severe wounds.

In June, we hosted our fourth annual Summer Research Fellowship, designed to train the next generation of physician leaders to champion opioid stewardship and evidenced-based pain management. We received approximately 100 applications for only 20 spots.

This year, we also co-hosted 4 free webinars focusing on opioid prescribing, understanding addiction, and alternative pain management strategies with the Pennsylvania Pain Society. Perhaps most importantly, using generous funds from the Appalachian Regional Commission and the Pennsylvania Legislature, we continued to offer a free online opioids and pain management curriculum targeting allied health professionals and medical students to complement their traditional education on pharmacology and prescribing.

On a lighter note, this year we also hosted our first annual charity golf outing led by "The Sliceosomes", the Jefferson Med golf club.

In closing, I want to personally thank the Appalachian Regional Commission and the Pennsylvania Legislature for their commitment and support of our work. We are looking forward to another busy and engaging 2025 program.

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