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*****NEWS ADVISORY*****

**NIDA's Dr. Nora Volkow to Speak on Addiction at NYC's 92nd Street Y's
Science and Discovery Series**

Dr. Nora Volkow, director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) at the National Institutes of Health (NIH), will be speaking at New York City's 92nd Street Y, as part of its *Science and Discovery* discussion series. The 92nd Street Y's lecture series features engaging, candid and provocative discussions with the world's most dynamic and compelling leaders, newsmakers, and visionaries.

WHAT: *Addiction* with Dr. Nora Volkow
Science and Discovery Series at 92nd Street Y

WHEN: Monday, November 19, 2007
8:15 p.m.

WHERE: Lexington Avenue at 92nd Street, New York City

BACKGROUND: Dr. Volkow was the first researcher to use imaging to investigate neurochemical changes in the brain that occur during drug addiction. She is also a recognized expert on the brains of addicted, obese, hyperactive, and aging individuals. She will discuss the science of addiction, as well as innovative, new approaches to prevention and treatment of substance abuse.

During her professional career, Dr. Volkow has been the recipient of multiple awards, including her selection for membership in the Institute of Medicine in the National Academy of Sciences. She was recently named one of Time Magazine's "Top 100 People Who Shape our World", and was included as one of the 20 people to watch by Newsweek magazine in its "Who's Next in 2007" feature.

For more information, go to:

http://www.92y.org/shop/event_detail.asp?productid=T%2DLC5PF02

The National Institute on Drug Abuse is a component of the National Institutes of Health, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. NIDA supports most of the world's research on the health aspects of drug abuse and addiction. The Institute carries out a large variety of programs to inform policy and improve practice. Fact sheets on the health effects of drugs of abuse and information on NIDA research and other activities can be found on the NIDA home page at www.drugabuse.gov.

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) — *The Nation's Medical Research Agency* — includes 27 Institutes and Centers and is a component of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. It is the primary Federal agency for conducting and supporting basic, clinical and translational medical research, and it investigates the causes, treatments, and cures for both common and rare diseases. For more information about NIH and its programs, visit www.nih.gov.