

POPULATION AND QUANTITATIVE HEALTH SCIENCES



GRAND ROUNDS SERIES

**Monday, November 4, 2019
12:00 – 1:00 PM**

Albert Sherman Building, AS9-2072

“The Secret Lives of Persons Who Use Opioids”

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Abstract: The addiction epidemic is the American public health crisis of the first decades of the 21st century. We consume more opioids than any other country and opioid sales have driven deaths. The availability of heroin in every community, and the addition of fentanyl to the drug supply, has worsened overdose risk. In this talk, after reviewing the overdose crisis, I will discuss a variety of other problems plaguing persons who use opioids, from skin infections to violence to stigma, and often some policy suggestions to mitigate the ongoing crisis.



Lunch will be provided: Please RVSP to Kelley.Baron@umassmed.edu