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Most important career path

Dr. Wells examines the role of drinking patterns and drinking contexts in explaining alcohol-related aggression and victimization experiences, with a particular focus on gender differences in relations. Her chief area of interest is alcohol-related aggression between young men. She recently developed a new program of research investigating young men's attitudes and beliefs regarding male-to-male alcohol-related aggression.

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Title of presentation

Male barroom aggression: The explanatory roles of alcohol, drinking contexts, and young men's perceptions, attitudes and beliefs

Description of your contribution (max. 250 Words)

In this presentation, the contributing roles of alcohol, drinking contexts, and young men's perceptions, attitudes and beliefs in explaining male barroom aggression will be described. An overview of the relevant literature will be provided along with a description of results from a program of research examining the relationship between alcohol, drinking contexts and aggression. Additionally, young men's perceptions, attitudes and beliefs that contribute to male barroom aggression will be described, including perceptions regarding the setting of the bar (e.g., sexual competition/male rivalry, heightened concern with image/social pressure to fight, provocation and negative stimuli), perceptions of peer approval of male barroom aggression, and expectations regarding the effects of alcohol on reactions to provoking situations in the bar.