

Prevention 101: The Science Behind Healthy Decision Making for Students

**Tuesday, August 13, 2019
12:00PM - 1:00PM (Eastern)**

Dr. Richard Clayton, Presenter



Previous Director of the Center for Prevention Research at the University of Kentucky; Endowed Chair in Health Education & Health Promotion in the University of Kentucky's College of Public Health; Professor Emeritus

Chair to the D.A.R.E. Scientific Advisory Board and Member of the D.A.R.E. National/International Board of Directors



Dr. Clayton was the first Chair of the Department of Health Behavior (name later changed to Health, Behavior & Society) and the first Associate Dean for Research in the College of Public Health. Since 1986 he has been the Director of the Center for Prevention Research, the first and only such center funded by the National Institute on Drug Abuse in the first round of funding. From 1996 through 2009 he was Chair of the transdisciplinary Tobacco Etiology Research Network (TERN) funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. He also served two years as Chair of the transdisciplinary Tobacco Research Network on Disparities (TReND) funded by the National Cancer Institute and the American Legacy Foundation. Both networks involved over 20 senior scientists from disciplines ranging from cells to society and from major research universities around the country. Dr. Clayton has written 8 books and has published well over 100 articles. He wrote the only required chapter in the first, second and fourth Triennial Reports to Congress on Drug Abuse and Drug Abuse Research. From 1990-1993 he served on the National Advisory Council for the National Institute on Drug Abuse. In 2005 he received the Presidential Award from the Society for Prevention Research for lifetime contributions to prevention activities and prevention research. From 1970 until January of 2001 when he accepted the Good Samaritan Foundation Chair position in the UK School of Public Health, he was a Professor in the Department of Sociology at the University of Kentucky. He is the co-developer of the Cooper/Clayton Method to Stop Smoking, a comprehensive behavioral oriented smoking cessation program that utilizes nicotine replacement therapy and group support. Working with the Kentucky Cancer Program and local health departments, Drs. Cooper and Clayton have trained over 1,300 community-based facilitators to deliver the program throughout Kentucky and in a number of other venues as well. Dr. Clayton has been the principal investigator on \$28.6 million in extramural grants and a co-investigator on about \$16 million in other extramural grants. In 1984 Dr. Clayton was named by the President as a University Research Professor and, in 1985, he received the Great Teacher Award from the UK Alumni Association. In 2012 he will worked with the National Centre for Youth Mental Health on a nationwide project to reduce self-harm and suicide among youth in Ireland.

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Lead developer of the US DARE HS curriculum.



Dr. Wyrick is the Director of the Institute to Promote Athlete Health & Wellness, Associate Professor of Public Health Education and Faculty Athletics Representative at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. As a prevention scientist, Dr. Wyrick has extensive experience in innovative research methods, program evaluation, and intervention development. He has served as a Principal Investigator/Co-Investigator for more than 20 National Institutes of Health (NIH) funded projects and has published extensively in academic peer reviewed journals. He is currently Co-Investigator on a 5-year project funded by the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) that is developing and optimizing an online behavioral intervention targeting the intersection of alcohol and sexual risk behaviors among college students. Dr. Wyrick is also a former NCAA dual sport student-athlete (Basketball & Track and Field; Elon University) which is the primary source for his passion to conduct research aimed at promoting the health and wellness of athletes. Dr. Wyrick has received multiple awards from the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) to develop *myPlaybook*, an online health and wellness resource for college student-athletes. *myPlaybook* is being implemented by hundreds of college and university athletic departments around the country. Dr. Wyrick has served as a member of the Board of Directors for the Society for Prevention Research, the Early Career Preventionist Network, the North Carolina Entrepreneurship Center, and the UNCG Entrepreneurship Cross-Disciplinary Program. He has also served as the Chair of the UNCG Faculty Athletics Advisory Committee, the Chair of the UNCG Chancellor's Advisory Committee for Intercollegiate Athletics, a member of the UNCG School of Health and Human Sciences Research Advisory Council, and multiple NIH grant review committees. He has partnered with organizations such as the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), the National Association for Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA), the National Football League (NFL), the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics, Nebraska Educational Telecommunications, the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and Learning, the Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation, Coach for America, the Denver Broncos, the Dallas Cowboys, and the National Center for Drug Free Sport. David loves traveling with his wife Cheryl and three daughters Katherine, Caroline and Elizabeth.