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Dr. Smita Das Appointed Editor in Chief of *The ASAM Weekly* Newsletter

Rockville, MD – The American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) today announced the appointment of Smita Das, MD, PhD, MPH, as editor in chief of *The ASAM Weekly* email newsletter. Dr. Das' first issue as editor in chief will be published on July 7.

Released every Tuesday, *The ASAM Weekly* highlights the latest news, science, and research shaping the field of addiction medicine. The newsletter, which is distributed to over 65,000 subscribers, also features guest editorials from experts in addiction prevention, treatment, and recovery. Topics span a range of issues relevant to the field, including Medicare and Medicaid policy developments, evolving standards for substance use disorder (SUD) care, and advances in evidence-based addiction treatment and recovery support.

As editor in chief, Dr. Das will oversee the editorial direction of *The ASAM Weekly*, review guest editorial submissions, write opening commentary, and lead the publication's team of editors.

"I am incredibly honored to serve as *The ASAM Weekly's* next editor in chief," said Dr. Das. "*The ASAM Weekly* has established itself as a go-to news resource for busy addiction treatment professionals. I look forward to building on its legacy by helping our readers stay at the forefront of emerging research, developments, and insights related to the field of addiction medicine."

Dr. Das is board certified in addiction medicine, psychiatry, and addiction psychiatry. She is a clinical professor of psychiatry and behavioral sciences at Stanford University School of Medicine and brings to *The ASAM Weekly* more than two decades of experience in research and addiction medicine. An ASAM member, Dr. Das serves on the Substance Specific Education Committee and was a faculty member for the Women and Addiction Pre-Conference Course at the ASAM 57th Annual Conference.

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About the American Society of Addiction Medicine

The American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM), founded in 1954, is a professional medical society representing over 8,000 physicians, clinicians, and associated professionals in the field of addiction medicine. ASAM is dedicated to increasing access and improving the quality of addiction treatment, educating physicians and the public, supporting research and prevention, and promoting the appropriate role of physicians in the care of patients with addiction. For more information, visit www.ASAM.org.