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## EXPERIENCE SUMMARY

**RICHARD ELOVICH**, a research scientist at the Institute for Social and Economic Research and Policy (ISERP) at Columbia University, holds a Ph.D. in medical sociology and a Masters in Public Health. He is a specialist in policy and program development on HIV/AIDS and substance use with over fifteen years experience in the U.S. and internationally. Since 2003, he has led needs assessments and developed HIV programs for international donors, UN agencies, and non-governmental organizations throughout the former Soviet Union and Asia, with a particular focus on most at risk populations. In New York, he was Director of HIV Prevention for GMHC, the oldest and largest non-governmental AIDS organization in the U.S. He is an experienced advocate, having been appointed to the Mayor's HIV Planning Council of New York City, and chairing its substance abuse services work group from 1991-1996. Elovich was an organizer of underground needle exchange programs in New York City and San Juan, Puerto Rico. He has been a full-time instructor in the Urban Public Health program at Hunter College's School of Health Sciences, City University of New York. In 2008 he was awarded the Marisa De Castro Benton Prize by Columbia University for distinguished scholarship and research and outstanding contribution to the sociomedical sciences.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### 2005-Present **Consultant, Drug Treatment, Harm Reduction, and HIV Prevention**

Program and policy development for clients including the United Nations Development Program, UK Department for International Development, Population Services International, International Harm Reduction Development Program of the Open Society Institute, International HIV/AIDS Alliance, and national programs in Indonesia, Nepal, Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan, and other countries of Asia and the former Soviet Union. Special areas of expertise: HIV/STD prevention for injecting drug users, youth at risk, men who have sex with men and vulnerable families, as well as drug dependence treatment and support services for substance using populations (see below for select consultancies).

### 2003-2005 **Senior Consultant, Drug Demand Reduction Program, Central Asia**

Lead consultant for USAID-funded drug demand reduction program operated by Alliance for Open Society International (AOSI) and the International Harm Reduction Development Program (IHRD) in Uzbekistan, Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan. Responsibilities included authorship of comprehensive needs assessment, development of low-threshold treatment readiness and rehabilitation programs, and creation of a unique identifier system for program monitoring and evaluation. Directed professional development programs including recruitment and supervision of international faculty, creation of training program for drug counselors, and design and implementation of month-long summer institute for psychologists, psychiatrists, and drug demand reduction program directors. With Stephen E. Lankenau, Ph.D., created curriculum for and co-taught short course on ethno-epidemiological methods for university researchers working with drug users in natural settings.

- 1996-1999      **Director, HIV Prevention, Gay Men's Health Crisis (GMHC)**  
Responsible for the reorganization, development, implementation and management of all HIV prevention services and campaigns at the world's oldest and largest non-governmental AIDS organization. Created individual, group, and community level interventions, and successfully secured state and federal funding. Oversaw 23 staff, volunteer corps of 800, and a budget of \$3 million. Responsible for programs including: Youth and Young Adult Initiative; Substance Use Counseling and Education; Latino MSM Initiative; Black MSM Initiative; Women's Program; and Beyond 2000, a successful effort to recruit and mobilize over 2000 men to become involved in HIV prevention.
- As a nationally recognized expert in harm reduction, substance use and HIV prevention, made numerous media appearances, and conference presentations and authored articles, curricula, and education materials for the New York State Department of Health AIDS Institute, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the New York City Department of Health, and the New York State Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services.
- 1994-1996      **Director, Substance Use Counseling and Education, GMHC**  
Secured funding for, implemented and managed substance use education and clinical services. Program elements included educational materials and campaigns, workshops, individual assessments, short-term individual and group counseling, an acupuncture clinic, and peer education training and support. Recruited, trained and supervised 15 staff, and 50 volunteers and consultants. Developed counseling curricula and substance use policies agency-wide. Assisted in the development of program evaluations and co-authored a program manual for use by other community organizations. Supervised staff trainings at organizations throughout New York City on harm reduction and substance use counseling skills.
- 1991-1997      **Appointed Member, New York City Mayor's HIV Planning Council**  
**Chairperson, Alcohol and Other Drug Services Work Group**  
**Member, Executive Committee**  
Chaired the Alcohol and other Drug (AOD) Services work group to determine service priorities for New York City's use of federal AIDS funding under the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Emergency Act. Advocated for and disbursed more than \$35 million in funds for city substance abuse programs. Facilitated discussion among City and State agency representatives, service providers, advocates and consumers to develop new program models and proposals. As an Executive Committee member, met regularly with City and State agencies to determine work group funding priorities. Monitored and assessed efficiency of program administration, and participated in strategic planning. Represented the Planning Council in AOD service-related meetings with City, State and Federal officials.
- 1992-1995      **Teacher, ARRIVE/Exponents, Inc. AIDS Education and Training Program**  
Developed curriculum on harm reduction and taught it annually to over five hundred recovering addicts, former prisoners, peer educators and substance abuse counselors at New York City non-profit organization.
- 1991-1994      **Policy Officer, Substance Use and HIV Prevention, GMHC**  
Developed public policy and advocacy strategies to develop and implement new models of substance use and HIV treatment. Created and helped consolidate coalitions of HIV and substance abuse service providers, as well as community networks of former substance abusers, to respond to policy challenges. Developed consensus statements, gave testimony, organized community meetings and coalitions to increase awareness of the service needs of drug users in and out of recovery.

- 1990-1992      **Co-Founder, ACT UP/NY Needle Exchange Program**  
Co-founded a program providing sterile injection equipment and operated entirely by volunteers to reach injection drug users in the Morris Heights\Highbridge section of the Bronx, East Harlem, Manhattan's Lower East Side, and the Bushwick and Williamsburg sections of Brooklyn. Created model of service delivery including: syringes, bleach kits, condoms, bilingual instructions for cleaning works, and information about safer sex practices. With the Latino Caucus of ACT UP and local activists, helped develop a needle exchange program in "La Perla," San Juan, Puerto Rico. As one of eight AIDS activists arrested for challenging the State law criminalizing needle possession was *pro se* defendant and argued successfully for acquittal in Manhattan Criminal Court (June 1991).
- 1988-1990      **Member, ACT UP/NY Treatment and Data Committee**  
Participated in meetings with government officials to speed drug approval process for people living with AIDS. Facilitated community meetings with representatives of the National Institutes of Health, including its AIDS director. Participated in demonstrations at the Food and Drug Administration in 1988, at the New York Stock Exchange in 1989, at New York University Medical Center, in Albany and at City Hall. Represented ACT UP at conferences sponsored by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) Advisory Committee for the Prevention of HIV Infection, at the Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Administration (ADAMHA), and at a CDC conference on Prevention of HIV Among High-Risk Youth sponsored by the Advisory Committee on the Prevention of HIV.

## SELECT PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANCIES

2008-present

### **Population Services International (PSI)**

Created Spanish language curriculum on motivational interviewing/harm reduction counseling techniques for HIV prevention outreach staff working with injecting drug users and men who have sex with men. Trained PSI staff in motivational interviewing technique and client-centered, low-threshold counseling.

### **International Harm Reduction Development (IHRD) Program/Open Society Institute**

Worked in two regions to successfully reform harm reduction outreach and counseling practices, educational curriculum, and role of narcological dispensary staff. In Russia and Ukraine, provided relapse prevention training and technical assistance to Russian and Ukrainian clinics providing HIV prevention and drug dependence treatment. Served as a member of technical review panel for grants funded by Open Society (OSI) and the Canadian International Development Agency..

### **International HIV/AIDS Alliance/ of Ukraine**

Conducted research on outreach skills and needs among 34 HIV prevention projects in Ukraine NGOs in Ukraine, and assisted in the design of new program to improve skills of harm reduction outreach workers in nationwide network of projects supported by the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB, and Malaria. Trained program staff on motivational interviewing and design of new projects to discourage needle sharing and improve health protections.

### **Thai AIDS Treatment Action Group**

Provided Thai AIDS Treatment Action Group with programmatic assistance and training for outreach workers and stakeholders for Ban Mit Sampan, Bangkok's only peer-run drop-in center for drug users.

2007

### **Republican AIDS Centre of Kazakhstan/Soros Foundation Kazakhstan**

Directed design of and co-authored \$50 million application by Kazakhstan to the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria Program, included partnership between government, international NGOs, and local HIV prevention organizations, and plans to scale up community-based programs for vulnerable populations. Grant awarded in 2008.

**UK Department for International Development (DFID)**

Provided training and technical assistance to Central Asia Regional HIV/AIDS program (CARHAP) with focus on staff training and program management for needle exchange programs in ten “trust points” in Tashkent, Uzbekistan.

**United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)**

Provided technical assistance and training for the implementation of Global Fund supported HIV prevention among men who have sex with men, and training for development of HIV prevention strategies for street involved youth in Tashkent, Uzbekistan.

2006

**Alliance for Open Society International**

Led local team of psychiatrist/narcologist researchers on assessment of drug treatment in Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, and Kyrgyzstan, and wrote manual for best practices in drug treatment for USAID-funded drug demand reduction project.

**United Nations Development Program (UNDP), Nepal and Armenia**

Conducted training and provided technical assistance on best practices of methadone maintenance treatment for psychiatrists and nursing staff in Kathmandu, Nepal.

Trained psychiatrists/narcologists on evidence-based approaches to drug treatment and auricular acupuncture at the Republican Narcological Dispensary of Yerevan, Armenia.

**Open Society Institute/International Harm Reduction Development (OSI/IHRD)**

Assessed program and policy needs of injection drug users in Jakarta, Bandung, Yogyakarta, and Bali, Indonesia, and helped to create requests for proposals and pilot advocacy programs for drug users at risk for and living with HIV.

2005

**UNDP/Republican AIDS Center, Uzbekistan**

Conducted rapid assessment research on men who have sex with men, and developed program and policy recommendations for HIV prevention. Conducted training for AIDS Centers, epidemiologists, and outreach workers throughout Uzbekistan for implementation of Global Fund grant.

Conducted training for AIDS Centers and epidemiologists on needle exchange programs for injection drug users in Tashkent, Uzbekistan.

**Population Services International (PSI), Central Asia**

Created and piloted training with outreach workers on counseling skills, overdose prevention and management, and harm reduction in Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan as part of adaptation of a ‘Break the Cycle’ intervention for PSI’s drug demand reduction program.

2004

**World Health Organization (WHO), Uzbekistan**

Developed training on HIV/AIDS, drug use, and tuberculosis for journalists in Tashkent, Uzbekistan.

1999-2003

**Consultancies for clients including** Doctors of the World/Columbia School of Social Work; Texas Department of Health; Pennsylvania Department of Health; Utah Department of Health; Montana Department of Health; New York City Department of Health; New York State Department of Health AIDS Institute; New York State Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS); New York City Board of Education; Bronx AIDS Services; Housing Works (Brooklyn, NY); Educational Alliance (New York, NY); Promesa Drug Treatment Program (Bronx, NY); and Harm Reduction Training Institute (New York, NY).

## EDUCATION

### Columbia University

**Ph.D. (*with distinction*) in Sociomedical Sciences**

**2008**

Dissertation: "Behind Every Doctor There is a Policeman: Drug Users, Narcology, and Civil Society in Uzbekistan." (Peter Bearman and Carole Vance, advisors)

### Columbia University

**M.Phil in Sociology**

**2004**

### Columbia University

**MPH in Sociomedical Sciences, Joseph P. Mailman School of Public Health**

**2002**

### Empire State College

**B.S. in Social Work, State University of New York (SUNY)**

**1997**

## ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE:

- 2002-2003     **Full-Time Instructor, Program in Urban Public Health/Community Health Education, School of Health Sciences, Hunter College of the City University of New York**  
One-year appointment as full-time instructor teaching graduate and undergraduate students. Courses included: Health Promotion in Urban Communities; Group Processes; AIDS and Society; Addiction and Dependencies; and Controversial Issues in Health and Health Care: Reproductive Health and Human Sexuality.
- 2002     **Teaching Assistant, Columbia University, Joseph P. Mailman School of Public Health**  
Co-coordinator for new course, "Introduction to Sociomedical Sciences," required of all MPH and PhD students in the Division of Sociomedical Sciences (SMS). Assisted in design of curriculum and teaching plan with professors in medical anthropology, medical sociology, and history and ethics of public health. Supervised work of 5 teaching assistants and facilitated their weekly preparation meetings (Fall).
- 2002     **Teaching Assistant, Columbia University, Department of Sociology**  
Assistant to Peter Bearman, Chair of Sociology Department, for undergraduate course, "Evaluation of Evidence" (Spring).
- 2001-2002     **Adjunct Lecturer, Brooklyn College of the City University of New York**  
Taught "Drugs and Contemporary Society" course to graduate students in Community Health Education, Department of Health and Nutrition Sciences
- Adjunct Lecturer, Hunter College of the City University of New York**  
Taught "HIV and Substance Abuse" course to graduate students in the Program in Urban Public Health

## FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

<b>The Marisa De Castro Benton Prize by Columbia University</b>	<b>2009</b>
For distinguished scholarship and research, and outstanding contribution to the sociomedical sciences, worthy of special recognition in a doctoral dissertation entitled "Behind Every Doctor is a Policeman: Narcology, Drug Users, and Civil Society in Uzbekistan."	
<b>Research Fellow, Paul F. Lazarsfeld Center for the Social Sciences, Columbia University</b>	<b>2008-2010</b>
<b>Pre-Doctorate Fellowship, National Development and Research Institutes</b>	<b>2005 – 2007</b>
<b>Revson Fellow, Columbia University</b>	<b>1999 – 2000</b>
Recipient of a fellowship given to civic leaders who have "made a significant contribution to the public life of the City of New York."	
<b>The Jon Michael Harrington Humanitarian Award</b>	<b>1999</b>

## SELECT RESEARCH PROJECTS

<b>HIV/AIDS Needs Assessment, Kazakhstan</b>	<b>2007</b>
Conducted assessment of gaps in HIV prevention and AIDS services for Kazakhstan's Round 7 proposal to the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria.	
<b>Men who have Sex with Men (MSM) in Uzbekistan</b>	<b>2005-2007</b>
Conducted rapid assessment and response (RAR), including interviews with men who have sex with men, epidemiologic overview, and recommendations to improve HIV prevention policy and programs for homosexually active men.	
<b>Narcology Observed: Drug Treatment and Civil Society in Uzbekistan</b>	<b>2004-2006</b>
Examined the response to HIV and opiate injection of narcology, a sub-discipline of psychiatry created in the Soviet Union to address alcohol and drug problems. Research included analysis of government protocols, field notes, photo ethnography, ethnographic interviews, and oral histories.	
<b>Promising Practices and Recommendations for Improvement in Drug Dependence Treatment in Central Asia</b>	<b>2006</b>
With a team of local experts, conducted site visits, interviews, and focus groups to assess current practice in drug dependence treatment. Authored practitioner's manual to help close the gap between best practices and current services.	
<b>Consolidated Needs Assessment Report on Drug Demand Reduction in Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, and parts of the Fergana Valley including Kyrgyzstan</b>	<b>2003</b>
Directed and managed needs assessment, definition of programmatic approach and creation of action plan for five-year, \$17 million drug demand reduction program funded by USAID and implemented by partners including local Open Society Institute/Soros Foundations, Population Services International, Street Kids International, AIDS Foundation East-West, and Internews.	
<b>Influence of Criminalization of HIV Sexual Risk Behavior among Injection Drug Users and Men who have Sex with Men in New York City</b>	<b>2002</b>
As New York City field director, trained and supervised team of 8 interviewers for CDC-funded University of Connecticut Health Center study of the effects of criminal law on HIV disclosure among injecting drug users and men who have sex with men (Zita Lazzarini and Patricia Case, Principal Investigators).	

**Drug-Using Behaviors among Men who have Sex with Men in New York City****2001-2002**

Research associate for Harvard School of Social Medicine research project funded by the National Institutes of Drug Abuse on patterns of “club drug” use and HIV risk behavior among homosexually active men.

**Sexual Health and HIV Risk among Gay and Bisexual men in New York City****1998-1999**

Co-Principal Investigator for community-based survey of sexual practices among 7,000 gay and bisexual men in New York City. Funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and conducted by Gay Men’s Health Crisis and the New York City Department of Health, the study was the largest since the start of the HIV epidemic.

**SELECT PUBLICATIONS (PEER-REVIEWED)**

1. **Elovich, R.**, Drucker, E., (2008) “On Drug Treatment and Social Control: Russian narcology’s great leap backwards.” *Harm Reduction Journal* 5: 23.
2. Wolfe, D., **Elovich, R.**, Boltaev, A., Pulatov, D. (2008) “HIV in Central Asia: Tajikistan, Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan” in C. Beyrer (Ed.), *Public Health Aspects of HIV/AIDS in Developing Countries: Epidemiology, Prevention and Care*. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press.
3. Friedman S., de Jong W., Rossi D., Touzé G., Rockwell R., Des Jarlais D., **Elovich R.** (2007) “Harm reduction theory: users culture, micro-social indigenous harm reduction, and the self-organization and outside-organizing of users' groups,” *International Journal of Drug Policy* 18(2): 107-117.
4. **Elovich, R.** and Daniel Wolfe (2002) “Substance Users,” in R. Finkelstein and Sandra Ramos (Eds.), *Manual for Primary Care Providers: Effectively Caring for Active Substance Users*. New York Academy of Medicine: New York.
5. **Elovich, R.** (1996) "Staying Negative: It's *Not* Automatic--Gay Men and HIV-- a Harm Reduction Strategy." *AIDS and Public Policy* 11(2): 66-77.
6. **Elovich, R.** and Sorge, R. (1991) "Toward a Community-Based Needle Exchange for New York City," *AIDS and Public Policy* 6(4): 165-172.

**SELECT PUBLICATIONS (NON-ACADEMIC)**

- Elovich, R.** (2010) “From the American People? Prison and No Backup from the U.S. Government for Work on AIDS” *Huffington Post*, Posted July 19, 2010. [http://www.huffingtonpost.com/richard-elovich/from-the-american-people\\_b\\_651479.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/richard-elovich/from-the-american-people_b_651479.html)
- Elovich, R.** (2006) “Starting Drug Treatment ‘Where People Are At’: Acupuncture and Treatment Readiness,” *National Acupuncture Detoxification Association India Foundation News*, January: 3-4.
- Elovich, R.** (2005) “Keeping It Real: Harm Reduction and Street Involved Youth,” *Street Kids International Newsletter*, Spring: 4-5.
- Elovich, R.** (2004) “Central Asia: Ailing Public Health Systems Limit Effective Harm Reduction Efforts,” *Soros Foundation Network News*, Spring-Summer. Open Society Institute: New York, NY
- Elovich, R.** (2004) “Self Empowerment: From Collective Understanding to Action”, *International Harm Reduction Development News*, 5(1): 5-6.
- Elovich, R.** (June, 2002) “‘Let’s Talk About Sex’--Sexuality Curriculum for Health Providers,” Bronx AIDS Services: Bronx, NY

**Elovich, R.** (2002) "Where Were You When HIV Prevention Died?" Syndicated opinion piece (gay and lesbian newspapers in Boston, Chicago, San Francisco, Seattle April.

**Elovich, R.** and Wolfe, D. (2002) "Who Owns Ecstasy? Studying MDMA is Shaping Up to be The Latest battle in the Drug War" *Village Voice*, February 13: 55-56

**Elovich, R.** (2000) "Clean, Sober and Medicated? HIV Meds Can Pose A Tough Challenge For People in Recovery" POZ, December: 54-58

**Elovich, R.** (1999) "Harm Reduction Counseling Skills for Social Workers and Addiction Professionals," Training curriculum for the New York State Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS).

**Elovich, R.** (1999) "Beyond Condoms: How to Create a Gay Men's Culture of Sexual Health." POZ, June: 86-91

**Elovich, R.** and Oliveira, A. (Summer, 1995) "Steps Toward Change: Working with Ambivalence and Building Motivation for Change," *LAP Notes*, Issue no. 3, Lesbian AIDS Project, Gay Men's Health Crisis: New York, NY

**Elovich, R.** (1995) "Harm's Way," Viewpoint column, *The Advocate*. May 16.

**Elovich, R.** and Cowing, M. (1995) "Recovery Readiness: Strategies That Bring Treatment to Addicts Where They Are." Gay Men's Health Crisis: New York, NY

**Elovich, R.** (1992) "Needle Exchange: Who Are The Fags? Who Are The Junkies? Where Are The Services?" *The Body Positive: A Magazine About HIV/AIDS*. April 1992. Body Positive: New York, NY.

**Elovich, R.** (1992) "*Quienes son los homosexuales y lesbianas? Quienes son los usuarios de drogas? Donde estan los servicios?*" *SIDAhora*, Edition #11 Summer 1992. New York, NY.

**Elovich, R.** (1990) "The Effectiveness of Education and Bleach Distribution Programs In Preventing the Spread of HIV among IV Drug Users." *ACT UP Reports* Fall/Winter 1990. New York, NY.

## **CERTIFICATIONS, PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS, AND MEMBERSHIPS ON BOARDS OF DIRECTORS AND ADVISORY GROUPS:**

Member, Lower East Side Harm Reduction Center Board of Directors, New York, NY (2006-08).

Member, Editorial Board, *Harm Reduction Journal* (2005-present).

Certified International Trainer, Auricular Acupuncture in Drug Treatment, Lincoln Hospital, New York, NY (1993).

Track Chair, First National Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Intersex Health Summit, Boulder, CO (August, 2002).

Faculty member, Certified Academy of Addiction Studies, New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (1997-9).

Vice President, Board of Directors, Electric Dreams Foundation (2000--02).

Co-Chair, Tenth Annual Gay and Lesbian Addiction Studies Conference, New York, NY (1995).

Co-Chair, Consultation Committee, "Handbook on HIV Prevention Among Drug Users: A Guide for Community HIV Prevention Planning," U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Atlanta, GA (1994-95).

Member, Education Advisory Committee, American Foundation for AIDS Research (AmFAR) (1992--95).



Member, Substance Use Advisory Committee, New York Academy of Medicine (1993--95).

Member, Osborne Association Community Advisory Board, New York, NY (1996 –99).

Member, Mental Health and Social Services Advisory Committee, Lesbian and Gay Community Services Center, New York, NY (1995-99).

Member, Women's Center Community Advisory Board, Beth Israel Medical Center, New York, NY (1992-95).

Member, Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies Board of Directors, City University of New York (1992-94).

Member, Exponents/ARRIVE, AIDS Education and Training Program Board of Directors, New York, NY (1993-95).

Member, Stand Up/ Emmaus House Harlem Advisory Board, New York, NY (1991-93).

Member, Association for Drug Abuse Prevention and Treatment (ADAPT) Advisory Board, New York, NY (1991-94).

Member, Perinatal Substance Abuse Work Group of Medical Health Research Association, New York, NY (1991-92).

Member, Substance Abuse Advisory Committee, New York City Department of Health Task Force on Tuberculosis (1991-92).

Member, AIDS Treatment Registry Board of Directors, New York, NY (1990-92).

## SELECT CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

**Elovich, R.** "Narcology Observed: The State, Civil Society and an Injection-drug-driven HIV epidemic in Uzbekistan," Oral Presentation, *Eastern Sociological Society Conference*. February, 2007: Boston, MA

**Elovich, R.** "The Use of Photo Ethnography in Harm Reduction Research," Poster Presentation, *International Conference on the Reduction of Drug Related Harm*, April, 2006: Vancouver, Canada

**Elovich, R.** "Low Threshold Treatment Readiness Programs in Central Asia: Drug Treatment that Grows Out of Harm Reduction," Oral Presentation, *International Conference on the Reduction of Drug Related Harm*, March, 2005: Belfast, Ireland

**Elovich, R.** "Narcology Observed: Drug Treatment Discourses and Practices in Transition in Central Asia" *Grand Rounds, HIV Center for Clinical and Behavioral Studies at the New York State Psychiatric Institute, Columbia University*, October, 2004: New York, NY

**Elovich, R.,** Karmanova, G., and Nazarova, R. "A Public Health Approach to Heroin and other Opiate Use in Central Asia: The Case for a Full Spectrum of Drug Demand Activities" USAID Public Health Conference, October, 2004: Tashkent, Uzbekistan

**Elovich, R.** "A Spectrum of Use: A Continuum of Risk," Oral Presentation, *American Public Health Association Annual Meeting*, November, 2002: Philadelphia, PA

**Elovich, R.** "Beyond 2000: Results of a Sexual Health Survey for Gay Men in New York City," *Grand Rounds, HIV Center for Clinical and Behavioral Studies at the New York State Psychiatric Institute, Columbia University*, November, 1999: New York, NY

**Elovich, R.** "Primary Prevention for HIV-Negative Gay Men who Use Drugs and Alcohol and Engage in High Risk Sexual Behaviors" Poster Presentation, *11<sup>th</sup> International AIDS Conference*, July, 1996: Vancouver, Canada

**Elovich, R.**, Johnson, R., and Serrano, Y. "Needle Exchange: The Creation of a Community-Based Program in New York City," Poster Presentation, *8th International AIDS Conference*, July, 1992: Amsterdam, Netherlands

## **MEDIA APPEARANCES**

Media appearances include The Charlie Rose Show, The O'Reilly Factor, and Front Line.

## **COUNTRY WORK AND RESIDENCE EXPERIENCE**

Armenia, Georgia, India, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mexico, Moldova, Nepal, Russian Federation, Tajikistan, Thailand, Ukraine, United States including Puerto Rico, and Uzbekistan