

National Jewish Health Hires Thomas Ylioja as Associate Clinical Director of Health Initiatives

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DENVER — [Thomas Ylioja, MSW, PhD](#), has joined National Jewish Health as the Associate Clinical Director of Health Initiative programs. National Jewish Health manages tobacco cessation programs for health plans, corporations and government agencies through the Health Initiatives department. Ylioja comes to National Jewish Health with experience in smoking cessation, health care research, and practice with disparate populations. He will complete his Doctor of Philosophy in Social Work this summer at the University of Pittsburgh.

Ylioja is responsible for clinical leadership, staff training and development, and oversight of the Health Initiatives clinical quality assurance and improvement programs. He received his Master of Social Work degree from the University of Toronto and his undergraduate degree from the University of Calgary. Ylioja has published more than a dozen peer reviewed research articles and presented at numerous conferences on substance use and tobacco cessation interventions in health care settings. He continues to collaborate nationally with clinical and population health researchers to expand access to tobacco treatment.



National Jewish Health is the leading respiratory hospital in the nation. Founded 124 years ago as a nonprofit hospital, National Jewish Health today is the only facility in the world dedicated exclusively to groundbreaking medical research and treatment of patients with respiratory, cardiac, immune and related disorders. Patients and families come to National Jewish Health from around the world to receive cutting-edge, comprehensive, coordinated care. To learn more, visit the [media resources page](#).

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