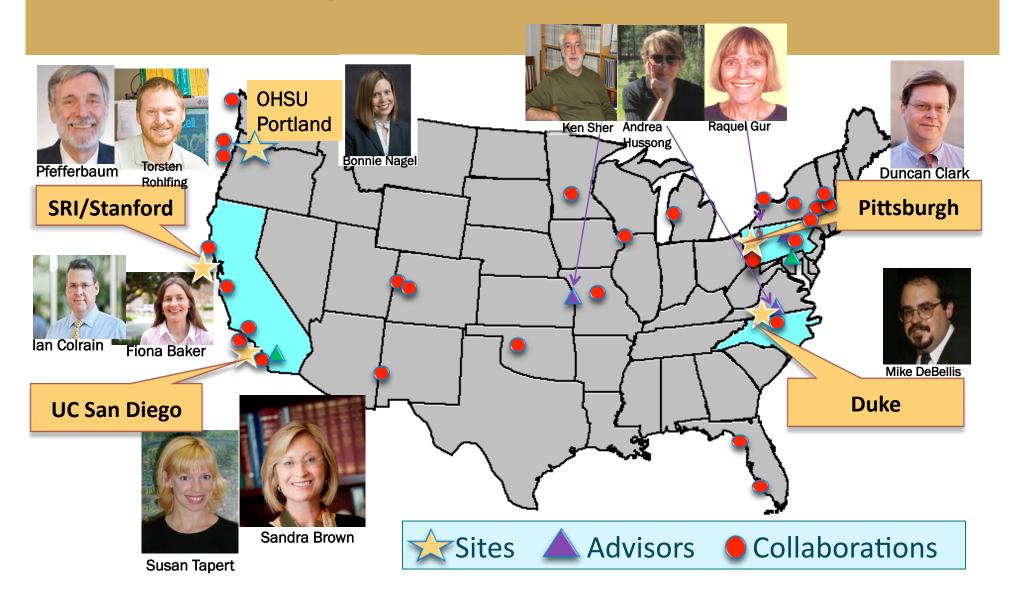
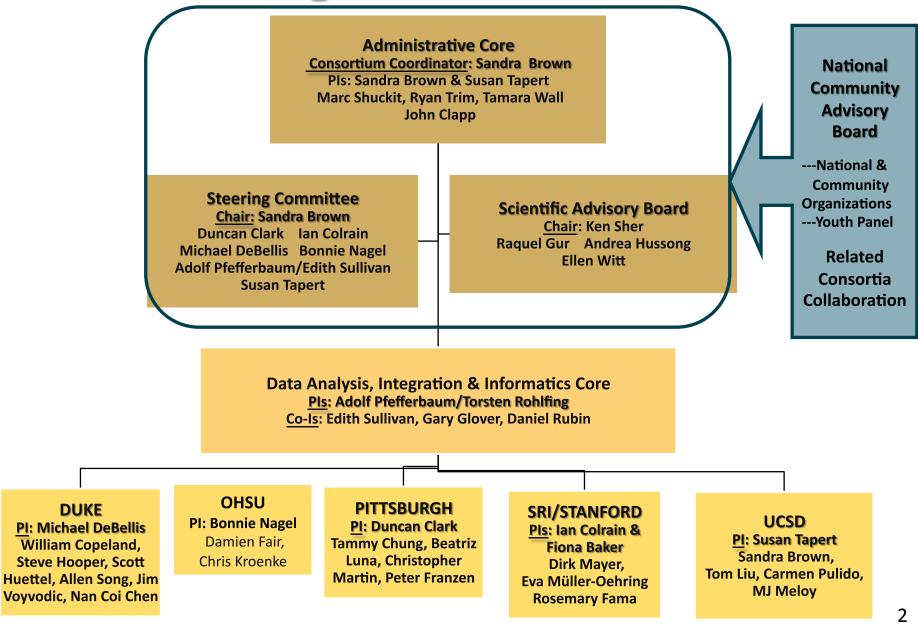
# National Consortium on Alcohol and Neurodevelopment in Adolescence: NCANDA



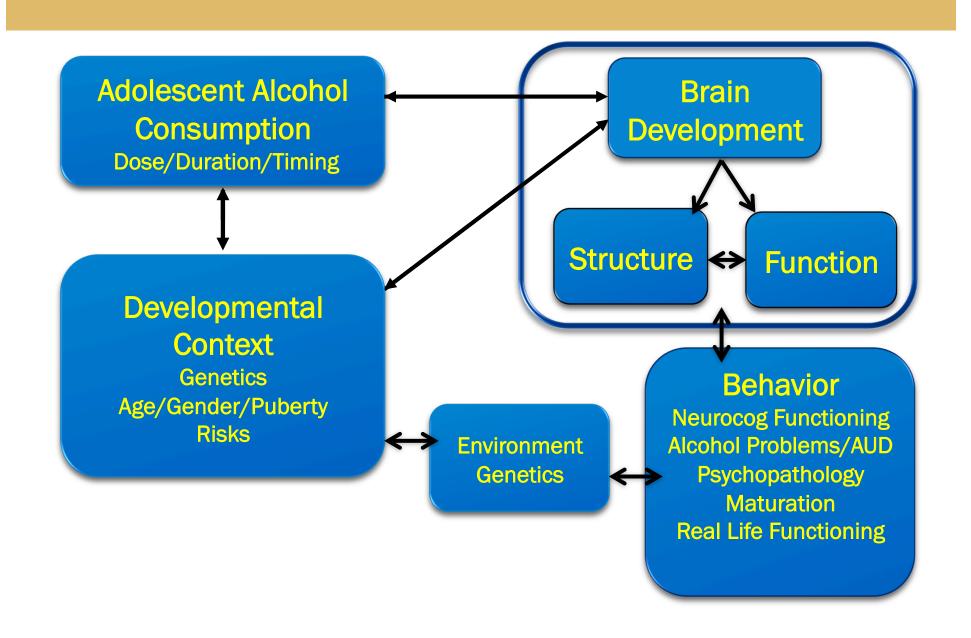
## **N-CANDA Organizational Framework**



## NCANDA Primary Objectives

- ➤ Cohort of 800+ 12-21 yr olds across 5 sites, baseline and 3 annual assessments (to age 24)
- ➤ Effects of alcohol exposure on trajectory of adolescent brain development and in the broader context of development
- > Dose, duration, and timing effects of alcohol exposure
- > Persistence/Resolution of effects with abstinence
- Developmental factors (puberty, sleep) & covariates (sex, psychopathology, FH of alcoholism) modulate alcohol's effects on brain
- ➤ Brain markers (structural, functional, cognitive, and affective) predict onset of AUDs and other psychopathology

#### N-CANDA CONCEPTUAL MODEL



### **NCANDA Specialty Studies:**

#### Multiple Site Studies of Risks and Consequences

- > Inhibitory Response Dysregulation
  - > (Pittsburgh, Duke)
- Sleep Disruption
  - > (SRI, Pittsburgh)
- > Default Mode Network Abnormalities
  - > (SRI, UC San Diego, OHSU)
- Recoverability of Deficits
  - > (UC San Diego, Duke)

#### **N-CANDA: Innovative Features**

- 1. Modified accelerated longitudinal design
- 2. Antecedent conditions
- 3. Synergistic dependent-variable domains
- 4. Trajectory relations within & among domains
- 5. New computerized NP and clinical battery
- 6. Innovative image processing & analysis
- 7. Creative administrative & dissemination structures