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ATTC: New England

New England ATTC Highlights from June - July 2020

New England Summer School of Addiction and Prevention Studies

Description: The New England ATTC in partnership with AdCare Educational Institute Inc. and The New England PTTC held the 51st New England Summer School of Addiction and Prevention Studies event virtually on June 1-4, 2020. This annual Summer School training event was comprised of a 4-day intensive learning community for over 500 participants to further knowledge, skills, and experience in the field of substance use disorder services. Intensive courses from across the continuum of treatment, prevention, and recovery were offered remotely and virtual courses took place live by videoconference, allowing for course group work and interaction. The New England ATTC helped lead activities in the treatment and recovery tracks, while the PTTC helped lead activities in the prevention track. In addition to courses, plenary sessions and a virtual community experience were presented. New England ATTC staff assisted as virtual room facilitators and provided technical support and guidance throughout the 4-day training event.

Link: <http://www.cvent.com/events/virtual-51st-new-england-school-of-addiction-and-prevention-studies-740-100-/event-summary-aac6f83b2c90408d94b8911d7368972a.aspx>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Regional: Support two regional, flagship educational programs to develop the next generation of frontline providers: School of Best Practices and the Summer School. Coordinate 10 focused short-term courses in high priority topic areas including opioid overdose and CLAS standards.

Contingency Management Principles and Interventions for Vermont and New Hampshire Opioid Treatment Programs (OTPs)

Description: The New England ATTC is currently providing targeted TA to Vermont OTPs and intensive TA to New Hampshire OTPs. On June 12, 2020 The New England ATTC offered a 2-hour virtual training entitled “Contingency Management (CM) Principles” for the state of Vermont Department of Health, Alcohol and Drug Abuse Program (ADAP). This targeted TA initiative was provided in response to a direct request from the state partner. Contingency management (CM) is an effective evidence-based behavioral intervention that provides tangible reinforcement when target behaviors are completed and objectively verified. A large body of literature supports CM’s use for the treatment of persons with substance use disorders (SUDs). This training reviewed the application of CM to promote positive behavior change in SUD treatment settings. Attendees were introduced to the different types of CM programs and how to design and implement an effective CM program. Specifically, attendees learned to recognize: different types of CM programs; effective features of CM interventions and reinforcement schedules; and common deviations from evidence-based protocols and how to avoid them. Participants were Vermont treatment providers, clinical directors, supervisors, counselors and case managers. As part of an ongoing Intensive TA initiative for OTPs in New Hampshire through the New Hampshire Partnership for Successful Living, The New England ATTC provided intensive

technical assistance on CM with respect to Recovery Housing financial assistance. Technical assistance was provided by Dr. Carla Rash, an expert in the field with regard to the development of a CM plan and client contracts for implementation of the MERIT Motivational Incentive Program (MMIP). A virtual training was held on July 9, 2020 entitled "An Overview of Contingency Management Interventions" for 10 staff including outpatient clinicians, group leaders, IOP directors and physicians to provide the history and efficacy of CM as well as explore the design and implementation considerations through the use of common scenarios. Ongoing consultation will be provided to address questions and to ensure the efficacy of the program.

Link:

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities:

- Vermont: The New England ATTC will partner with the state Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Programs to provide a series of short-term events in high priority topic areas including Trauma-Informed Care, Contingency Management, Culturally Competent Practice, and Clinical Supervision.

Cultural Humility/Cultural Intelligence Workshop

Description: A Cultural Humility and Cultural Intelligence training was offered for the Providence Center, a community behavioral health center in Rhode Island. This was presented as a 2-day course on June 9 and June 16, 2020 using a virtual classroom via the Zoom platform to case managers and counseling staff. This workshop explored the idea of understanding disparities and delivering services grounded in equity. This highly interactive training was delivered to 60 attendees by Dr. Haner Hernandez who is a leading expert in the field of Cultural Competence and Cultural Intelligence. This workshop was designed to highlight and explore the needs of substance use treatment professionals working with culturally diverse individuals, organizations, and communities.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Rhode Island: Offering a series of short term trainings in high priority topic areas including the ASAM training on "Pain Management and Opioids: Balancing Risks and Benefits," Medication Assisted Treatment Beginner and Intermediate Series, Advanced Motivational Interviewing, Cultural Competency and a Train the Trainer series of the Hepatitis C curriculum.

Webinar for Western Connecticut Mental Health Network (WCMHN), division of CT Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services

Description: The New England ATTC is hosting a webinar entitled: “Substance Use Disorders and Mental Health: Understanding Disparities and Building Health Equity from a Social Justice Perspective During the COVID-19 Healthcare Crisis” on August 6, 2020 for the Western Connecticut Mental Health Network (WCMHN). WCMHN is a division of the Connecticut Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services and this was a specific request from this state operated Mental Health authority. Dr. Haner Hernandez will address how people with substance use and mental health issues experience disparities in the healthcare system and related areas. Utilizing a social justice framework, Dr. Hernandez will focus on the need to plan, design, and deliver individual and group interventions with emphasis on cultural humility and cultural intelligence. Participants will also learn about the need to create and maintain equity as a framework to eliminate disparities. Over 200 staff will be invited to attend, including psychiatrists, nurses, social workers, rehabilitation and mental health workers that provide services for persons with long term mental illness and addiction disorders.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Connecticut: New England ATTC will roll out a quarterly training series system-wide on high priority topics for licensure for state of Connecticut employees. Topics will include Working with Men in the Criminal Justice System, Stigma, HIV/AIDS, Trauma Integrated Care, Medication Assisted Treatment, Hepatitis C, Cultural Intelligence and CLAS Standards.

New England ADA - 2-part webinar series

Description: The New England ATTC has partnered with the New England Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Center to present a 2-part webinar series for our New England region on August 18 & 20, 2020 to describe the ADA civil rights laws and how these relate to people in recovery from addiction and also to provide resources on ADA and COVID-19. It has been 30 years since the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and thousands of people in recovery from addiction are unaware of their civil rights under the law. The ADA insures that people with addiction to alcohol, and in recovery from opioids and other drugs have the same rights and opportunities as everyone else. The webinars will strive to: •Provide understanding of the ADA’s definition of disability and how it applies to addiction and recovery. •Distinguish how the ADA applies to people with addiction to alcohol, and those in recovery from opioids and other drugs. •Describe which protections the ADA provides in access to: employment, state and local government services and places of public accommodations. •Discuss the do’s and don’ts during the three stages of employment (interview and application, post offer and pre-employment, and during employment) These differences will be illustrated with scenarios using alcohol, opioids, cocaine and marijuana.

Link: https://brown.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_8ZI7y-WERTOKHqAtPYBn8A

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

New England School of Best Practices in Addiction Treatment

Description: The 28th annual School of Best Practices in Addiction Treatment will take place virtually on August 24-27, 2020 through our partnership with AdCare Educational Institute of New England. This four-day event gives established addiction professionals the opportunity for in-depth study of an area of special interest. The program includes advanced clinical and administrative skilled-based treatment in best practices and evidence-based practices treatment approaches, as well as a current and emerging best opioid treatment practices, advanced prevention coursework, and clinical supervision and management training. Intensive courses from across the continuum of treatment, prevention, and recovery will be offered. The courses are intended to appeal to a wide array of professionals working in diverse settings. In addition some course offerings this year will address behavioral practice, such as program or agency oversight and developing effective management skills. Virtual courses will take place live by videoconference, allowing for participant interaction as well as plenary sessions and a virtual learning community. The New England ATTC is an active planning partner and has secured the plenary speaker on Stimulants and Methamphetamine as well as various course instructors. ATTC staff will also be present in virtual classrooms for technical support and guidance.

Link: <http://www.cvent.com/events/virtual-28th-new-england-school-of-best-practices-in-addiction-services-740-315-/event-summary-1aac2a59aef24142a7be8ae7df02186c.aspx>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Regional: Support two regional, flagship educational programs to develop the next generation of frontline providers: School of Best Practices and the Summer School. Coordinate 10 focused short-term courses in high priority topic areas including opioid overdose and CLAS standards.

Northeast and Caribbean ATTC Highlights from June - July 2020
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ATTC Integration Project (DDCAT)

Description: The NeC-ATTC is collaborating with the Great Lakes ATTC and the Northwest ATTC to deliver a five-part webinar series on best practices for integrated care, using the DDCAT framework to guide recommendations and service enhancements. The series launched with the first two webinar installments as follows: June 10, 2020 - Co-Occurring Disorders: Defining and Assessing Integrated Behavioral Health Capacity (Mark McGovern, PhD & Heather Gotham, PhD) July 30, 2020 - Co-Occurring Disorders: Enhancing Program Structure and Environment (Michael Chaple, PhD; Denna Vandersloot M.Ed)

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Conduct monthly webinars

Adolescent SBIRT TTT (Virtual)

Description: At the request of Empower Somerset -- a non-profit organization which delivers high quality educational programs in various settings throughout the community and also provides technical assistance to educators, therapists, faith based leaders, and other community partners to help these groups enhance their own prevention education efforts -- the NeC-ATTC delivered a Train-the-Trainers (TTT) Workshop on Adolescent SBIRT for a diverse group of providers in Somerset County NJ, including professionals working with youth in schools, mental health, prevention, and other community-based services. This Adolescent SBIRT TTT event is an interactive virtual/Zoom training consisting of FOUR 3.25 hour sessions to take place over the course of two weeks (6/8, 6/9, 6/17 and 6/18). This TTT event provided an introduction to Adolescent SBIRT, as an effective, comprehensive and preventive strategy for addressing substance use with youth in various settings. The content was focused on the following: • The need to screen for adolescent substance use • Review of the evidence based tools specifically developed for screening youth • How to conduct a brief intervention using motivational interviewing skills • Essential components for effective referrals to treatment or specialty services • Skills practice activities and review of training considerations

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Provide training workshops on the fundamentals of SBIRT

Webinar: Behavioral Health Impact of COVID-19

Description: NeC-ATTC in Puerto Rico hosted a webinar titled, "Reflection on the impact of the COVID 19 pandemic on mental health, suicide, and the use of alcohol and other substances." This webinar reflects on how the state of confinement, social isolation and the paralysis of the economy compromises the balance of mental health, and how this can trigger emotional disorders and precipitate crisis in patients with psychiatric conditions, and impact the consumption of alcohol and other drugs. Also addressed will be recommendations for suicide prevention in this new scenario in the short, medium and long term for the entire population and specifically for health professionals. This webinar was delivered in Spanish, July 30 (9am - 11am).

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

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Description: The NeC-ATTC is collaborating with the Great Lakes ATTC and the Northwest ATTC to deliver a five-part webinar series on best practices for integrated care, using the DDCAT framework to guide recommendations and service enhancements. The series launched with an overview on June 10th, followed by the second webinar installment (Enhancing Program Structure and Environment). During the upcoming reporting period sessions 3 and 4 of this series will be completed as follows: August 19th - Part III - Staffing and Training September 23 - Intake, Screening and Assessment

Link: http://collaborativeforhealth.org/Integrated_Treatment_Webinar_Series_Flyer.pdf

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activity:

- Conduct monthly webinars

Webinar Series: Deconstruction Unconscious Bias in Behavioral Healthcare

Description: The NeC-ATTC is partnering with the NeC-PTTC and NeC-MHTTC to deliver a four-part webinar series, the goal of which is to provide participants with a review of implicit (i.e. unconscious) bias and how it negatively affects communications, interactions, decision-making and service outcomes for racial and ethnic communities; and offer tools and approaches to address, mitigate and diminish the effects of unconscious bias in the addiction, mental health, and prevention disciplines in order to collectively effect equitable outcomes for persons of color. Specifics of this four-part series are outlined immediately below: Session 1: "Origins of Unconscious Bias" - August 27th from 1:00 - 2:30 ET Description: Behavioral health disparities reflect the lack of access to quality care for specific populations. Despite notable efforts to

address inequitable outcomes, research suggests that race and ethnicity are predictors of how services are delivered, and unconscious bias is one component that has been identified as influencing the provision of poor care. With the steady rise of the US population and the expected increase in communities of color, the need to address behavioral health disparities has never been more urgent. This first session of the four-part series will discuss how cognitive bias develops, how it is sustained by intrinsic and environmental factors, and how it contributes to inequitable outcomes for persons of color who access care in behavioral health care settings.

Session 2: "Making the Case to Identify Not Blame!" - September 3 1:00 - 2:30 ET Description: Building off the psychological framework of unconscious bias as discussed in the first session, this second presentation will review and inform on how unconscious bias is reflected in words, communications, and relations toward persons of color through case scenarios reflecting its impact in the addiction, mental health, and prevention settings. The elusiveness of cognitive bias underscores provider assumptions and perceptions and affects judgment that lead to prejudice, micro-aggressions, and even discriminatory practices in care. The discussion will also identify commonly experienced pressures of personal and 'on the job' stress, and other bias risk factors that affect decision making, interactions and client/patient outcomes in behavioral health.

Session 3: "Dismantling Bias and Building Equity" September 10 1:00 - 2:30 ET Description: In the first two sessions the impact of unconscious bias on cognition and provider practice was described, as well as how it contributes to behavioral health disparities. This third session will offer practical tools and strategies for organizations and providers to identify and address unconscious bias and support the delivery of culturally and linguistically appropriate services (CLAS). Providers will be offered strategies to explore and diffuse personal bias, and further inform on how integrating cultural humility in practice minimizes unconscious bias using a process oriented approach to care thus increasing behavioral health equity.

Session 4: "Learning from the Field" September 17 1:00 - 2:30 ET Description: This fourth session will bring together a panel of direct service providers who work closely with communities of color and are actively engaged in facilitating strategies that identify and mitigate unconscious bias to ensure delivery of culturally and linguistically appropriate services. Organizational leadership will speak to lessons learned in the implementation of effective protocols to help reduce racial and ethnic disparities and improve service outcomes for people of color.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activity:

- Training workshops on racial/ethnic cultural competence

New Course: Treating the Mandated Client

Description: The NeC-ATTC has partnered with a consultant (former Drug Court Director) to develop a course that outlines best practices for the treatment of justice-involved clients, helping programs to more effectively collaborate with the justice system. Course Description: With the development, integration and expansion of problem solving (treatment/therapeutic) courts around the nation and an increase presence of professional social workers and psychologists in courtrooms, probation, parole and other criminal justice settings the notion of treatment rather than incarceration is fully supported and integrated into the judicial system and valued by most Judges and legal counsel. As a result, the need for justice involved treatment providers are in great demand. This workshop has been specifically designed to assist clinical and administrative professionals in the development, implementation and maintenance of creating

and maintaining a justice involved treatment program/track. This six-hour interactive workshop will provide participants with an in-depth overview of all problem-solving courts (including Drug, DWI, Veteran and Opioid courts) and outline providers' expectations and obligations (communication, toxicology testing) once a partnership has been formed. Participants will be introduced to a step-by-step process of how to create a criminal justice network and learn what judges expect from a provider relationship. Participants will understand the role of parole and probation, and how that relationship can impact the overall treatment process. Lastly, participants will become familiar with the various evidenced-based practices that problem-solving courts and other criminal justice professionals look for when referring to treatment providers. Several deliveries of this new course are scheduled for August/September 2020

Link:

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activity:

- Deliver training on best psychosocial treatment approaches for OUD

Central East ATTC Highlights from June - July 2020

SBIRT Screening in Family Planning Clinics

Description: Maryland Reproductive Health Virtual Series: SBIRT in Family Planning
Description: This activity has been submitted to the following accrediting agencies for approval to award 1.0 contact hours: National Association of Social Workers (NASW), Maryland Nurses Association, National Commission for Health Education Credentialing, Inc. (NCHEC). Speakers: Holly Ireland, LCSW-C Holly is the Co-Project Director of the Central East ATTC. She has 30 years' experience working in the behavioral health field, beginning her career as a Residential Rehabilitation Counselor while working on her undergraduate degree in psychology at Towson University. During her career, she has provided direct service in outpatient behavioral health and recovery support settings, including individual, group and family therapy for co-occurring disorders, crisis intervention, trauma treatment, Assertive Community Treatment, and advocacy. Holly also serves as adjunct faculty for Salisbury University's Social Work Department, teaching social welfare policy and advanced practice courses. Shelley Miller, MS Shelley Miller has worked in family planning and reproductive health for more than 35 years. She has served in a variety of roles including Director of Patient Services for a large Title X agency and Director of Training Performance Improvement for TRAINING 3, a regional training center. Shelley has provided consultation, coaching, training and technical assistance, both nationally and internationally. She currently works with the Central East ATTC as an independent consultant in its SBIRT implementation project with Title X. NOTE: The National Association of Social Workers is the accrediting agency for social workers. Event sponsored by Healthy Teen Network, a designated provider of continuing education contact hours (CECH) in health education by the National Commission for Health Education Credentialing, Inc. This program is designated for Certified Health Education Specialists (CHES) and/or Master Certified Health Education Specialists (MCHES) to receive up to 1.0 total Category I continuing education contact hours. The Maryland Nurses Association is accredited as an approver of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. CEUs are pending approval from the National Association of Social Workers (NASW), National Commission for Health Education Credentialing (NCHEC), and the Maryland Nurses Association (MNA).

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/central-east-attc/event/sbirt-screening-family-planning-clinics>

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- The ATTC will develop and support T/TA academic programs responsive to SSA and other stakeholders needs to at least 1,600 participants annually

Technology-Based Clinical Supervision Extended Online Series: Session 1

Description: Technology-Based Clinical Supervision Extended Online Series Session 1: Elements of TBCS Must have already registered for the series Series Description: Would you like the opportunity to enhance your current knowledge or learn how technology can provide an innovative way to approach clinical supervision? This series will provide a 20-hour curriculum that covers topics essential to the development and/or improvement of skills when using technology to conduct clinical supervision in behavioral health settings. When: Every Tuesday, July 21 – September 15, 2020, 3:00 – 4:30 pm Eastern Time Objectives: Understand the role of technology in conducting clinical supervision Demonstrate knowledge of technology-based clinical supervision and application in practice Experience conducting technology-based clinical supervision Identify the therapeutic alliance via technology Understand the legal and jurisdictional implications for conducting technology-based clinical supervision

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/central-east-attc/event/technology-based-clinical-supervision-extended-online-series-0>

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities: None

Technology-Based Interventions: Navigating New Models to Enhance and Expand Service Delivery

Description: This webinar will review the use of technology-based interventions related to treating individuals with substance use disorders and providing recovery support services focused on asynchronous tools, such as social media, blogs, podcasts, online support groups, videos, and text messaging. Finally, recommendations for clinicians and peer recovery coaches for developing their own tools will be highlighted. According to the 2018 National Survey on Drug Use and Health, almost 90% of individuals with a substance use disorder (SUD) did not receive treatment services, with this number remaining relatively unchanged for several years. Stigma and bias regarding entering care and access to services (geographic or time constraints) have contributed to these low numbers. Furthermore, the recent public health concerns given COVID-19 and the importance of social distancing have made access to services even more difficult, resulting in SUD treatment and recovery support providers seeking viable alternatives to in-person service delivery. Advances in technology and increased availability to the internet have initially addressed this access issue for treatment and recovery support providers through the use of videoconferencing platforms to deliver services synchronously. However, in many cases patients and peers are still unable to access treatment and support services on a regular basis and are augmenting their need for additional services by using apps, social media, automated behavioral intervention technologies (educational websites,) online support groups, etc. Behavioral health professionals benefit from understanding these tools, how/why patients are using them, and the best practices for adding them to their toolbox. While not replacing the need for treatment and recovery services, technology-based interventions can serve as a 'practice or support extender'. For questions about this webinar, please contact NFARtecstaff atworkwise@casat.org call 775-784-6265 to be directed to the correct individual. This webinar is a collaboration between the Central East ATTC and NFARtec

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/central-east-attc/event/technology-based-interventions-navigating-new-models-enhance-and>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Engage Center for the Application of Substance Abuse Technologies (CASAT) National Frontier and Rural Center in the implementation of technology-based training series and at least one webinar in the evidence-based use of technology for treatment and clinical supervision by September 30, 2020.

Central East ATTC Highlights for August - September 2020

Treating Opioid Use Disorder: A Pharmacist's Guide for MAT | Virtual Training 8/29/2020

Description: Treating Opioid Use Disorder: A Pharmacist's Guide for Understanding Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) Description: Opioids use disorder (OUD) is a chronic condition that affects millions of Americans. If left untreated it can result in serious consequences including increased morbidity, relapse, opioid overdose, and death. Medication-assisted treatment is effective for OUD and has been shown to decrease all-cause mortality and opioid overdose-related deaths. This pharmacist-driven training will provide detailed education on the induction and maintenance of medication-assisted treatment for opioid use disorder. Discuss the epidemiology of opioid overdose and opioid use disorder in the United States Review the prescribing patterns of opioids for chronic non-cancer pain over the past two decades Define and review the clinical presentation of opioid dependence, opioid withdrawal, and opioid use disorder Review the pharmacology and therapeutics for methadone, buprenorphine/naloxone, and naltrexone for the treatment of opioid use disorder Presenter: Jasmine Carpenter, Pharm.D, BCPS, BCPP, mental health clinical pharmacist at a hospital in D.C. where she provides direct pharmaceutical care to patients of the mental health service and SUD rehab program. Jasmine also serves on the faculty of Howard University's non-traditional Pharm. D program.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/central-east-attc/event/treating-opioid-use-disorder-pharmacists-guide-mat-virtual-training>

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activity:

- The ATTC will develop and support T/TA academic programs responsive to SSA and other stakeholders needs to at least 1,600 participants annually

What's New in Opioids, Mental Health, HIV, and STIs (Day 1 of 2)

Description: Description: This conference will focus on the integration efforts that support a collaborative healthcare approach. Current medical updates in services for STIs, HIV, TB, hepatitis, family planning and addictions will be discussed. After completing this conference, the learner should be able to: State current practice in the care and treatment of STIs, HIV, TB, and hepatitis Explain how to screen clients for substance abuse issues Identify Population at risk for HIV/STIs/Mental Health and Substance Abuse Demonstrate effective team skills by sharing information effectively, listening and responding to feedback from others, and using simple

communication Sessions: Technology Test, Sign In and Intro to FTCC | Speaker: Jeanne Hoover Addictions, Mental Health and Opioid Overview | Speaker: Renata Henry HIV/STIs and Opioid Use | Speaker: Adam Visconti The Intersection of Opiate Abuse, Mental Health Concerns, and Suicide Risk: A Collaborative Approach to Client Care | Speaker: Emily Y Meyer Stewart Day 2 (9/25) information & registration This virtual conference is provided in collaboration by: The STD/HIV Prevention Training Center, Mid-Atlantic AETC, Central East ATTC, National Family Planning and Reproductive Health Association, Rutgers Global Tuberculosis Institute, and DC Area Health and Education Centers-Georgetown University.
Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/central-east-attc/event/whats-new-opioids-mental-health-hiv-and-stis-day-1-2>

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activity:

- The ATTC will partner with HHS Region 3 AETC to co-sponsor training regarding the intersection of SUD and HIV health risks and needs for SUD and HIV community providers.

Implementing SBIRT in Family Planning and Reproductive Health Toolkit

Description: This is a toolkit that offers a stepwise approach to implementing SBIRT in family planning and reproductive health settings. It is based on our experience providing intensive technical assistance to Title X and other reproductive healthcare systems throughout HHS Region 3. It is also in recognition of the new requirement for Title X grantees to implement SUD screening as part of the grant deliverables, aiming towards an EBP SUD screening throughout the reproductive health system. It is targeted to be published in August, 2020.

Link:

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activity:

- The ATTC will engage with HHS region 3 partner federal agencies: HRSA, OPA, SAMHSA, and Indian Health Services via email communications, virtual and in-person meetings to collaborate on regional T/TA projects.

Southeast ATTC Highlights from June - July 2020
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Annual Inter-Faith Institute on Recovery (AIIR) SATTTC Conference

Description: The Southeastern Addiction Technology Transfer Center (SATTTC) is working in partnership with the Southeastern Institute on Chemical Dependency (SICD). We are working together to provide communities of faith an opportunity to strengthen their knowledge around substance use disorders (SUD), treatment, and recovery. AIIR will allow participants to: -Gain additional knowledge about co-occurring disorders and spirituality in collaboration with secular healthcare professionals and the interfaith community leaders. -Provide linkages to needed services and resources to the faith based community, -Better understand tools to use from the faith-based community to treat individuals who are in need of treatment We believe working in collaboration with the faith-based community will help link church members and leaders to mental health and substance use disorders resources. By having each of you join us on this journey of learning, we will continue to bring awareness to substance use disorders, reduce the stigma associated with the disease and empower communities in understanding treatment and recovery. 16.5 CE Hours Applied for: The Alcohol and Drug Abuse Certification Board of Georgia (ADACBGA), Georgia Addiction Counselors Association (GACA), Georgia Society for Clinical Social Work (GSCSW), Licensed Professional Counselors Association (LPCA), National Association for Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors (NAADAC), National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC), Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Council (POST) The Unique AIIR Experience It is our second institute with a collaboration between SICD and SATTTC to helping faith leaders bridge secular and spiritual communities in treatment and recovery and we think we have created a premier conference to meet this goal. Track sessions with outstanding faith and recovery experts in SUD and addiction Virtual from the comfort of your home Interactive virtual happy hour led by our keynote speaker and planning committee Access to a network of faith leaders and SUD professionals **CLICK HERE TO REGISTER**
SPONSORSHIP DETAILS

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/southeast-attc/event/annual-inter-faith-institute-recovery-aiir-satttc-conference>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Faith Conference

Ask the Expert July Dialogue: Implicit Racial Bias and Microaggression as they Relate Behavioral Health Treatment and Recovery

Description: What is Ask the Expert? Beginning in February 2020, SATTTC will host "Ask the Expert" the 2nd Tuesday of every month on topics surrounding Substance Use Disorders (SUDs), co-occurring diseases, health disparities, and more. Experts in the field will share the latest knowledge and answer questions from our community. As professionals and practitioners move beyond webinars and training to more Intensive Technical Assistance (TA) needs, Ask the Expert becomes an infinite space to ask questions and increase your knowledge on some of the most popular and buzzing topics in the behavioral health and SUD fields. Objectives: To increase the knowledge capacity surrounding SUDs/ODs To increase the awareness of

emerging SUD hot topics and provide expert-level knowledge on myths surrounding many of them July's Open Dialogue: Implicit Racial Bias and Microaggression as they Relate Behavioral Health Treatment and Recovery including SUDs Openly dialogue about the role you play in impacting retention of in substance abuse treatment while shedding light on the racial disparities Join the Conversation before the session in our Facebook Group Session Host: Nzinga Harrison, MD A well-respected physician and educator, Dr. Harrison is the Chief Medical Officer and Co-Founder of Eleanor Health, an innovative company that provides comprehensive, longitudinal outpatient care for individuals experiencing opioid and other substance use disorders. As host of the In Recovery weekly podcast by Lemonada Media, she engages a large audience on topics related to addiction. She earned her Bachelor's degree in Biology with Spanish and Chemistry minors at Howard University, completed medical school at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, and General Psychiatry Residency at Emory University. She is Board-Certified in both Adult General Psychiatry and Addiction Medicine and has spent her career treating individuals with Serious Persistent Mental Illness and Addictive Diseases. Currently, she holds adjunct faculty appointments at the Morehouse School of Medicine Department of Psychiatry is Co-Founder of Physicians for Criminal Justice Reform, Inc., and Campaign Psychiatrist for Let's Get Mentally Fit, public education and stigma-reduction campaign.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/southeast-attc/event/ask-expert-july-dialogue-implicit-racial-bias-and-microaggression-they>

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities:

- Tangible Products, White Paper, Tool kit

Southeast ATTC: Compassion Fatigue in the Peer Recovery Support Services Workforce

Description: All people providing care-giving services are susceptible to Compassion Fatigue, when the compassion that is often a significant part of the force attracting them to the services and supports they provide becomes tired – or even exhausted. Individuals providing Peer Recovery Support Services (PRSS) are particularly vulnerable. In this Webinar, we'll explore roots of the vulnerability and some healthy protective dynamics for the peer workforce and strategies for caring for self. Learning Objectives: A brief overview of Compassion Fatigue in the Peer Recovery Support Workforce · Articulate how all people providing care-giving services are susceptible to compassion fatigue · Help to address how individuals providing Peer Recovery Support Services (PRSS) are particularly vulnerable · Explore roots of the vulnerability and some healthy protective dynamics for the peer workforce and strategies for caring for self Owen Dougherty grew up in Scranton Pennsylvania and through most of his adult life bouncing between Northern California and Chicago, IL. He lived in the metro Atlanta Area of Georgia from 2005 until his retirement at the end of March, 2019. Owen holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in English Literature and Philosophy from Temple University, Master of Divinity and Master of Christian Ethics degrees from Catholic Theological Union in Chicago and a Master's degree in Organization Development from Loyola University Chicago. He provides training and technical assistance for organizations developing peer recovery support services as well as leadership development coaching to emerging leaders in these organizations

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/southeast-attc/event/southeast-attc-compassion-fatigue-peer-recovery-support-services>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Facilitate behavioral health trainings and learning communities

Southeast ATTC Highlights for August - September 2020
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Southeast ATTC Ask the Expert August Dialogue: Health Equity and Implicit Racial Bias Experiences by the LGBTQ+ Community

Description: What is Ask the Expert? Beginning in February 2020, SATTC will host "Ask the Expert" the 2nd Tuesday of every month on topics surrounding Substance Use Disorders (SUDs), co-occurring diseases, health disparities, and more. Experts in the field will share the latest knowledge and answer questions from our community. As professionals and practitioners move beyond webinars and training to more Intensive Technical Assistance (TA) needs, Ask the Expert becomes an infinite space to ask questions and increase your knowledge on some of the most popular and buzzing topics in the behavioral health and SUD fields. Objectives: To increase the knowledge capacity surrounding SUDs/ODDs; to increase the awareness of emerging SUD hot topics and provide expert-level knowledge on myths surrounding many of them. Session Host: Lawrence Bryant, Ph.D., MPH, RRT, BSW, AAS. Dr. Bryant is a member of the Georgia Department of Public Health Opioid Strategic Planning Multicultural Workgroup. Dr. Bryant brings a plethora of experiences dealing with substance use disorders through clinical practice, policy, and research. He has been successful in developing and implementing a statewide strategic plan for the state of Georgia in response to the opioid and prescription drug overdose epidemic. As a part-time Assistant Professor at Kennesaw State University, Health Promotion Department, Dr Bryant has received funding from The Georgia Department of Public Health to do a needs assessment in support of the Statewide Strategic Plan for Opioid Abuse. Dr Bryant just receives certification in contact tracing and plans to utilize this knowledge to train other in this technique Dr Bryant continues to publish in the field of public health and holds dual positions in both public health and psychology at Capella University. Dr Bryant is also a registered respiratory therapist, fighting on the front lines of the COVID-19 pandemic in the field of pediatrics

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/southeast-attc/event/southeast-attc-ask-expert-august-dialoguehealth-equity-and-implicit>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activity:

- Tangible Products, White Paper, Tool kit

Department of Corrections / Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services Peer Support Training

Description: This training has been developed and updated through the years, to support individuals in developing a unique set of skills needed to work as a Peer Support Specialist. This interactive training focuses on: 1) Developing peer support skills for use in the workplace, 2) The exploration and development of personal recovery, and 3) Supporting individuals in recognizing their strengths, responsibilities and accountability as certified peers. A certificate is issued upon completion of the course. Trainer: Ed Johnson

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/southeast-attc/event/department-corrections-department-alcohol-and-other-drug-abuse-1>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activity:

- Facilitate behavioral health trainings and learning communities

Southeast ATTC: Clinical Supervision- What, Why, and How?

Description: Tele-health systems for client services are becoming an expectation rather than an exception. Most SUD agencies are either already equipped with a telehealth option, or can quickly develop a telehealth plan to serve clients virtually. This webinar will focus on the growing need for similar virtual services for Clinical Supervision. Various platforms will be reviewed and best practices will be discussed. Practical tips on the structure and content as well as the challenges of virtual supervision will be examined. Objectives: 1. Describe how to structure virtual Clinical Supervision; 2. Discuss three different platforms for virtual CS delivery; 3. Identify both strength and challenges in virtual CS. The presenter will be Alan Lyme, LISW, MAC, CCS. Alan Lyme, LISW, MAC, CCS brings respected and innovative clinical and program management skills as the Director of Training for the Phoenix Center in Greenville, South Carolina. With 25 years of clinical experience, Alan has been an active member of MINT (Motivational Interviewing Network of Trainers) since 2004, earning MINT Trainer Certification. He is an internationally certified clinical supervisor, a master addictions counselor, and a Leadership Challenge Workshop certified master. He is concurrently the trainer for South Carolina's most recent SBIRT (Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment) grant, as he has been for several SBIRT grants since 2009. An IC&RC Certified Clinical Supervisor since 2008, Alan recently received CCS reciprocity through SCAADAC. He can be contacted at alanlyme@gmail.com

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/southeast-attc/event/southeast-attc-clinical-supervision-what-why-and-how>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activity:

- Facilitate behavioral health trainings and learning communities

Great Lakes ATTC Highlights from June - July 2020
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Culturally Responsive Services for LGBT Individuals Training

Description: The Great Lakes ATTC provided virtual trainings for providers in Michigan and Indiana working with the LGBT population. Dr. Tom Freese, Director of the Pacific Southwest ATTC, presented a curriculum designed to develop provider skills in delivering culturally responsive prevention and treatment services for the LGBT population, especially those dealing with co-occurring substance use, mental health disorders (COD), and/or physical health disorders. Dr. Freese provided two virtual trainings on July 14 and 15, 2020, for Region 5.

Link:

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- Provide TA to addresses disparities in access, use, and quality of services for individual agencies and community healthcare leaders.

Integrated Treatment Webinar Series

Description: The Great Lakes ATTC, in collaboration with the Northeast & Caribbean and Northwest Addiction Technology Transfer Centers (ATTCs), launched a webinar series on Integrated Treatment. Integrated treatment is the buzzword of the day, but what does it really look like? What is possible, given funding restrictions and siloed services? This five-part webinar series will explore these questions and more from national experts. The first webinar in the series on June 10, "Defining and Assessing Integrated Behavioral Health Capacity," focused on research that indicates integrated treatment is more effective than sequential treatment and parallel treatment for people with co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders. This presentation introduced the Dual Diagnosis Capability in Addiction Treatment (DDCAT) and the Dual Diagnosis Capability in Mental Health Treatment (DDCMHT) instruments and toolkits for improving co-occurring disorder (COD) treatment capability. Presenter(s): Mark McGovern, PhD & Heather Gotham, PhD, from Stanford and Jennifer Harrison, PhD, from Western Michigan University.

Link:

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- Collaborate with experts to identify current opportunities; develop assistance to address them

ROSC-ISN Year 2 Close-Out Meeting

Description: The Great Lakes ATTC, in partnership with the state of Illinois, has continued with its ROSC-ISN Implementation TA. This project focuses on helping organizations and communities across Illinois develop and operationalize recovery-oriented systems of care, which support people and communities seeking to manage substance use disorders across the lifespan. The ROSC-ISN one-day close out training was held virtually on July 13, 2020. This training completed year 2 of the project.

Link:

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance, The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- Promote the use of current EBPs for recovery-oriented system of care practices

Great Lakes ATTC Highlights for August - September 2020
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Engaging in Substance Use Disorder Conversations

Description: In collaboration with Michigan DHS, the Great Lakes ATTC will provide eight virtual sessions focusing on substance misuse awareness training for home care workers. This training will include information on substance use disorders, Motivational Interviewing (MI), and Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT).

Link:

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activity:

- Teach MI techniques and other psychosocial interventions in Region 5

Peer Support ECHO

Description: The Great Lakes ATTC, in collaboration with Wayside Recovery Center in Minneapolis, MN, launched the Peer Support ECHO (PS ECHO), an online community for peer recovery specialists and mental health peers to share community and statewide resources, learn new skills and tools for doing peer work, and meet and connect with other peers. The PS ECHO is held twice monthly and features a short didactic portion followed by peer learning.

Link:

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance, The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activity:

- Promote Project ECHO

Motivational Interviewing for FQHCs

Description: The Great Lakes ATTC is providing this training in collaboration with the M&S Clinical Services of Milwaukee. Four three-hour virtual sessions will teach participants the principles of Motivational Interviewing. Learning objectives include an overview of MI, the four processes of MI, how to apply the spirit of MI in client interactions, and observing and practicing fundamental skills. Participants will leave with a plan for advancing their MI skills. The three-hour sessions are scheduled for August 18 and 20 and September 3 and 9.

Link:

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activity:

- Teach MI techniques and other psychosocial interventions in Region 5

ATTC: South Southwest

South Southwest ATTC Highlights from June - July 2020
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Recovery and Recovery Supports to Address Stimulant Use

Description: Supplemental recorded webinar developed for ATTC Network Stimulant Curriculum Package addressing strategies for long term recovery and recovery support.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Provide curriculum content in support of implementation of evidence based practices for treatment and recovery of individuals with stimulant use challenges

Technical Assistance on MAT Implementation in Criminal Justice Setting

Description: SSW ATTC Educational Consortium member New Mexico Highlands University is partnering with San Miguel Detention Center to provide technical assistance on measuring outcomes of newly implemented MAT program in the facility and providing students with practical experience in the use of data to inform program development and implementation.

Link: [N/A](#)

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- Train community organizations and staff at treatment practicum sites to manage and support EBPP implementation and provide mentoring and coaching to staff at treatment practicum sites for continuing EBPP implementation and supervision

Staying Unconquerable: Cultural Humility and Historical Trauma

Description: Training on historical trauma experienced by American Indians, how to have cultural humility in regards to the diverse tribal landscape of Oklahoma, and learning the power of resilience and the strength found in shared experiences. June 9, 2020 (online)

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/south-southwest-attc/event/staying-unconquerable-culture-and-trauma-training-online>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Provide workforce development and EBPP training for addiction counseling and recovery professionals

South Southwest ATTC Highlights for August - September 2020

Educational Consortium Fall Semester Activities

Description: Enrollment of over 1,000 students in pre-service courses for addictions education and the initiation of fall semester practicum and community project activities at the SSW ATTC Education Consortium schools: Eastfield College (TX), Houston Community College (TX), New Mexico Highlands University (NM), Langston University (OK), Northwestern State University (LA), San Antonio College (TX), University of Arkansas (AR) University of Texas, Rio Grande Valley (TX) and University of Texas, Austin (TX).

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/south-southwest-attc/educational-consortium>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Develop agreements with educational institutions for counselor prep courses and practicum

Electronic Learning Series: Skills-Based Behavioral Health Counseling Via Videoconferencing

Description: Eight-week online professional learning series on skills-based counseling via videoconferencing offering a deep dive into skill development (clinical and technology) and implementation strategies. Dates: July 30 – Sep 24, 2020

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/south-southwest-attc/event/skills-based-video-conferencing-ep1>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Provide workforce development and EBPP training for addiction counseling and recovery professionals

Community Health Workers and Peer Recovery Specialists: Together in 2020

Description: The COVID-19 pandemic has brought about unprecedented challenges within our behavioral healthcare industry. Community Health Workers and Peer Support providers continue to provide support and services to the most vulnerable populations, which have increased needs and fewer resources available. Discussion of opportunities between the professions for collaborating and identifying shared solutions that meet the needs of communities with higher rates of underlying health conditions. Continued promotion of integrated model developed by workgroup. Examples of its use locally. HHS Regions 5, 6 and 7 - (Virtual Series, 3 sessions) Dates: Wednesdays 9:00-11:00am Aug 12th, Aug 19th and Aug 26th Partners: Mid America ATTC Great Lakes ATTC and Regional Administrators from

Regions 5,6, 7; Peers and CHWs on planning committee

Link: [N/A](#)

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Participate in and facilitate the Region 5, 6, and 7 monthly planning group meetings; research and participate in development of models, support workgroup members in ongoing discussions and the state and national level re: implementation of a model

Mid-America ATTC Highlights from June - July 2020
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TTC Trauma Informed Care Implementation - Intensive TA

Description: Between May - August 2020, ATTC Trauma Informed Team continued work with two intensive technical assistance sites. The more recently added site, Amethyst Place, “provides private apartments and supportive services to mothers in recovery and their children in the Kansas City Metro Area.” Mid-America collaborated with Amethyst Place Executive Director and Board of Directors to formulate an MOU and the TIC Implementation Team meets weekly with agency leadership. The original site, Osawatomie State Hospital in Kansas, is continuing to meet with TIC specialists yet stepping back from implementation due to staff shortages and institutional changes precipitated by COVID.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/mid-america-attc/product/ttc-trauma-informed-care-implementation-overview>

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities:

- Conduct and analyze TIC organizational and staff assessments

Navigating the Maze: Sexual Health and Literacy for PPW with SUD

Description: For women with SUDs, these risks can include outcomes such as prenatal substance exposure and compromised SUD treatment retention. A major driver of this high burden of unintended pregnancies among women with SUD is the low utilization of effective contraception. To effectively address this disparity, a paradigm shift in how reproductive/sexual health is conceptualized for women with SUD is needed. Over two days and 4 virtual sessions, the presenters will aid the audience in making this paradigm shift to broad focus on sexual health education, literacy and reproductive life planning. **FORMAT:** Total of four, one-hour Zoom webinar sessions (each session is 45 minutes with 15 minute Q&A) over the course of two days. **PRESENTERS:** Hendree Jones, PhD; Elisabeth Johnson PhD; and Essence Hairston, MSW: Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, School of Medicine, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/mid-america-attc/event/navigating-maze-sexual-health-and-literacy-pregnant-and-postpartum>

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- Facilitate meetings and process improvement between organizations in KCK

Enhancing Workforce Capacity to Provide Clinical Supervision for Substance Use Disorders (CS-4-SUD)

Description: An intensive 3-part training series combining a 30-hour Clinical Supervision Foundations training with an 8-session Project ECHO! This cohort has been modified to include smaller in-person groups due to the current COVID-19 pandemic. Enrollment will be limited to a total of 40 participants. Part 1: Clinical Supervision Foundations, an asynchronous 14-hour online course hosted on HealthKnowledge. Part 2: A synchronous virtual training designed to prepare the clinical supervisor to observe job performance, provide feedback and coaching, prioritize learning needs, develop achievable learning objectives and continue monitoring performance to assess counselor effectiveness. Part 3: Clinical Supervision Project ECHO (begins 09/08/2020)

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/mid-america-attc/leadership-development>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Conduct two, 2-day in-person Clinical Supervision trainings and prepare cohorts for Phase 2 Project ECHO in Yr. 4

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Inspire & Think Big: Recovery Communities' Role in Challenging Times

Description: Six, 60-minute webinars over 6 consecutive Thursdays (Jul 23, Jul 30, Aug 6, Aug 13, Aug 20, Aug 27) takes into account the impact of the COVID 19 pandemic on the behavioral health system of care when the system faces unprecedented economic challenges, combined with an anticipated increase in the demand for services. This series draws from the experiences of multiple recovery communities and provides models for how successful community-based recovery programs can be fostered and sustained in the turbulent times ahead. The goal for the series is to stimulate discussion and highlight practical approaches to advancing community resilience and recovery that are applicable to many communities across the Regions 5, 6 and 7 during the pandemic and beyond. Mid-America, Great Lakes, and South Southwest ATTCs are partnering on planning and producing this 6-week series. (July - August 2020)

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/great-lakes-attc/event/inspire-think-big-recovery-communities-role-challenging-times>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Include peer specialist continuing education offerings to ATTC menu of state conference break-out sessions.

Essential Conversations in Social Services 2020 – A Region 7 Podcast Series

Description: Essential Conversations in Social Services 2020 is a podcast series intended for behavioral health (BH) and substance use disorder (SUD) providers. During each episode, a subject matter expert discusses a timely topic and explores tips designed to help the BH and SUD workforce in Region 7. This project is a collaboration by the Region 7 Mid-America ATTC and MHTTC. Available Episodes (as of August 6) Episode 1: Self-Care – Discusses the importance of self-care for behavioral health leaders; guest speaker is Dena Sneed, the Director of the Center for Trauma Informed Innovation at Truman Medical Center in Kansas City, MO. <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/mid-america-attc/product/essential-conversations-social-services-2020-self-care> Episode 2: Race & COVID-19 – Focuses on how to have a conversation about race in the workplace. Guest speakers include Marla Smith, a Behavioral Health Coach at Heartland Family Service in Iowa and Vladimir Sainte, a Team Leader from Truman Medical Centers in MO. They share important considerations and tips for behavioral health leaders who are navigating these conversations. <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/mid-america-attc/product/essential-conversations-social-services-2020-race-covid-19> Upcoming Episodes Episode 3: The Importance of Housing and Employment During and Post-COVID Episode 4: A Psychiatrist View of Supporting Recovery in 2020 & Beyond Episode 5: Post Pandemic Trends in Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/mid-america-attc/podcast>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

Providing Peer Based Recovery Support Services for Pregnant and Parenting Families: A Pilot Training

Description: The Opioid Response Network (ORN) in Region 7 is co-sponsoring a 2-part training for peer specialists/recovery coaches or supervisors of peer specialists in Region 7 who want to develop expertise in serving pregnant and parenting families impacted by substance use and/or opioid dependence. This new curriculum, developed through the Opioid Response Network, was intended to be delivered in the context of a 2-day, in-person setting. The co-authors of the curriculum adapted and reorganized the content to be delivered via Zoom. Training components include two, full day virtual training sessions, September 22 – 23 followed by six, 1.5-hour virtual Peer-to-Peer learning Collaborative sessions to be held twice monthly. Facilitated Peer-to-Peer Learning Collaborative sessions provide an opportunity to take a deeper dive into the application of practices and concepts presented in the training through short presentations, literature review and case presentations. The overarching goal of this Peer-to-Peer Learning Collaborative is to engage in a process of higher-level thinking associated with the challenges peers face in their day-to-day work.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/mid-america-attc/family-centered-care>

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- Provide peer specialist continuing education workshops in state and regional conferences.

Mountain Plains ATTC Highlights from June - July 2020
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On-the-Spot: Videoconferencing to Deliver Treatment and Recovery Services

Description: Are you ready to start using videoconferencing in your practice/agency or Recovery Community Organization or have you already started and have questions about resources and next steps? Join this one-hour forum with knowledgeable providers and subject matter expert(s) who will answer questions and lead discussions around a variety of topics related to successes and challenges of using videoconferencing to offer clinical/peer recovery services via telehealth. Please join anytime during the session to ask your questions and share your thoughts and experiences regarding the transition of services to the use of videoconferencing methods. Offered every 2nd and 4th Tuesday, May 12– Sept 22, 2020 at 11:00 am (CT).

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/mountain-plains-attc/spot>

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities:

- 3.3.a Conduct group consultation post EPLs 3 per year; 3.3.b Conduct individual hotline sessions 3 per year

Substance Use Disorder Collaborations that Work: Findings from Providers in Region 8 / Executive Summary and Full Document

Description: The Mountain Plains ATTC created an Executive Summary that provides a review of the findings from a study conducted among service providers in Region 8 in 2020. The focus of the study was on examining best-practices to expand service collaborations and partnerships with providers of substance use disorder treatment and recovery services. The findings include the themes of Coming Together, Working Together, Keeping the Collaboration Going, Benefits of Collaboration, and Effects of Lack of Collaboration. The findings also provide statements from participants in the study and inform providers of what ensures successful collaborations. A full report of the finding is also available on the Mountain Plains ATTC website the full report includes support from the literature for the findings and expanded access to the voices of the participants and themes. Author: Dr. Tracy Evanson, Staff with Mountain Plains ATTC and University of North Dakota Faculty. Publication Date: July 10, 2020

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/mountain-plains-attc/product/substance-use-disorder-collaborations-work-findings-providers>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- 1.5.a Design/implement regional needs assessment; 1.5.b use results to determine training/TA activities by state and region; 1.5.c Disseminate needs assessment results out to partners; 1.5.d Post needs assessment results on webpage and ask advisory

board and workgroup members to help disseminate; 1.5.e Discuss T/TA needs identified in Needs Assessment with SSAs NS Advisory Board and Workgroup Members

The Intersection between Intimate Partner Violence and Substance Use Disorders Webinar

Description: Intimate partner violence (IPV) is a pervasive health problem. Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) data indicate that one in four women and one in nine men have been victims of sexual violence, physical violence, or stalking in their lifetime. Substance use disorders (SUDs) commonly co-exist with IPV. Among people with SUDs, researchers have consistently found high rates of both current and lifetime IPV. Similarly, studies have also shown that victims of IPV are more likely to have a SUD, compared to those who have not experienced IPV. This presentation discussed the intersection between IPV and SUDs, how the dynamics of IPV contribute to SUDs, and the needs of clients who experience both. Publication Date: July 27, 2020

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/mountain-plains-attc/product/intersection-between-intimate-partner-violence-and-substance>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- 2.2.a Create 12 new products/tools and post on website; 2.2.a Hire SMEs to conduct webinars or be featured in videos; 2.2.c Create slidedecks4U and post on website; 2.2.d Review products/tools plan to ensure products/tools are in product line

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Hiring and Leading Staff in Evidence-Based Practices Enhanced Professional Learning Series

Description: It is critical for behavioral health agencies to use and sustain evidence-based practices (EBPs). Through a series of instruction, self-study, and group activities, this 4-week series will show how to facilitate EBPs through hiring and leadership practices. Identifying strong and weak leadership areas can help agencies retain staff, strengthen EBP implementation, and improve the overall quality of care (Aarons, Ehrhart, Torres, Finn, & Beidas, 2017). This series will demonstrate how to assess the degree to which a leader is perceived by staff as proactive, knowledgeable, supportive, and perseverant with regard to their implementation of EBPs. Series in session every Thursday, July 30 – Aug 27, 2020 from 2:30-4:00 (CT).

Link: <https://mtplainsattc.org/courses/hiring-and-leading-staff-in-evidence-based-practices-8-3-1/>

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities:

- 3.1.a Design EPLs and implement 1 per state in the Region; 3.1.b Design and conduct 12 EPLs with organizations in the Region (6 regional and one for each state)

New Ethical Dilemmas: Developing Professional Competency in the Digital Age Enhanced Professional Learning Series

Description: With the sudden onset of COVID-19, the use of technology and social media networking sites by behavioral health professionals and peer support specialists for personal and professional purposes has increased. As such, ethical and practice issues like self-disclosure in postings, unintentional boundary crossings and violations, privacy and security problems reflect just some of the new dilemmas clinicians and peer support specialists may encounter. Adding to the problem is the lack of definitive guidance from existing professional/peer standards and ethical codes until recently. This 7-week, in-depth, online learning series will address common ethical dilemmas behavioral health and peer support specialists face related to the use of technology, social networking sites, and web-based search engines. Case scenarios, group discussion questions related to videos, practice sessions, and other learning activities will be used to highlight these dilemmas and encourage discussions among participants. Series in session every Wednesday, Aug 5 – Sept 16, 2020 from 1:00-2:30 pm (CT).

Link: <https://mtplainsattc.org/courses/new-ethical-dilemmas-ned-region-8-3-1/>

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities:

- 3.1.a Design EPLs and implement 1 per state in the Region; 3.1.b Design and conduct 12 EPLs with organizations in the Region (6 regional and one for each state)

2020 MPATTC Leadership Academy

Description: The virtual MPATTC Leadership Academy is designed for emerging leaders in the behavioral health disorders field. The Leadership Academy is available for supervisors and administrators interested in professional development tools and resources that will expand their organizational leadership skills and expertise. The well-recognized Kotter International Change Essentials Model will provide a framework for “strategies for execution of system change and change management.” Goals of the Leadership Academy are to Assist Participants In: Developing skills to help agency members build and maintain urgency to engage in system change; Learning effective communication strategies for understanding and securing buy-in and persistence with agency members; Creating a vision for system change for their agency; Increasing their skills in empowering others to act; Implementing and securing buy-in from stakeholders; Aligning with champions; and Enhancing skills to remove barriers to success.

Date: Sept 1, 2020

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/mountain-plains-attc/event/2020-attc-leadership-academy>

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities:

- 4.1a Create a two and a half-day Harvard-Kotter Inc training for emerging leaders focused on Process for Leading Change; 4.1b Recruit individuals nominated by SSAs (4 people from each state); 4.1.c Follow-up with a community of practice in Year 4

Pacific Southwest ATTC Highlights from June - July 2020
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Introduction to Motivational Interviewing Trainings for the Pacific Jurisdictions

Description: On June 23 and June 30, 2020, the PSATTC conducted two live virtual Introduction to Motivational Interviewing trainings specifically for more than 75 providers based in the six U.S.-affiliated Pacific Jurisdictions. More than 90% of attendees in both trainings were fully engaged in the training by being on camera and having access to a microphone. The June 23rd training drew 32 providers from American Samoa (5), Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI; 4), Federated States of Micronesia (FSM; 2), Guam (15), and Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI; 6), and the June 30th training drew 44 providers from CNMI (1), FSM (1), Guam (37), and RMI (5). By attending one of these trainings, the attendees of these two trainings were eligible to participate in the Motivational Interviewing into Practice (MI-IP) Enhanced Professional Learning (EPL) series that launched on July 30th for 38 participants. It is notable that this is the most geographically diverse cohort to date for any EPL offered by the PSATTC. Of the total number of registrants, 10 (28%) are from five of the six Pacific Jurisdictions (1 from American Samoa, 2 from CNMI, 2 from FSM, 1 from Guam, and 4 from RMI); in addition, 4 are from AZ, 20 from CA, 1 from HI, and 2 from NV. One additional registrant is from outside HHS Region 9 (NY).

Link: <http://www.psattc.org>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Ensure all T/TA services are responsive to issues of culture

ASAM-I and MI EPLs

Description: The PSATTC launched two multi-week Enhanced Professional Learning (EPL) series in summer 2020, as part of our connected learning efforts. The first EPL focuses on ASAM Criteria integration, and launched on July 14, 2020 (running through August 25, 2020). A total of 40 people are enrolled. The second EPL focuses on Motivational Interviewing into Practice, and launched on July 30, 2020 (running through September 24, 2020). A total of 38 people are enrolled. Previous training is required for individuals to qualify to participate in the EPLs. Enrollment is limited to about 40 providers per EPL.

Link: <http://www.psattc.org>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Deliver a minimum of two Enhanced Professional Learning (EPL) opportunities and one post-EPL Consultation Group to participants throughout Region 9

MAT Financing Webinar Series

Description: The PSATTC, in partnership with Advocates for Human Potential, Inc., continued its monthly Getting Paid MAT financing web training series that launched in May 2020. The series, which is comprised of five hour-long webinars that are held the third Thursday of the month from May-September, features a different topic, many of which are tied to the impact of the COVID-19 crisis on service delivery and financing of medications for opioid use disorder and other substance use disorder treatment services. AHP also provides monthly deeper dive office hours that allow for individuals to schedule 1:1 consultation time with financing experts to ask questions and get advice on service delivery adaptations. The office hours are offered the fourth Thursday of each month between May and September 2020. The June 18th webinar focused on Getting Paid: Drug Medi-Cal, DMC-ODS and MAT Reimbursement and included 50 participants, and the July 16th webinar focused on Getting Paid: Medicare, Opioid, Screening, Intervention, and Treatment and Older Adults, and included 37 participants.

Link: <http://www.psattc.org>

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- Offer self-paced learning opportunities on a minimum of four topical areas

Pacific Southwest ATTC Highlights for August - September 2020
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Pacific Jurisdiction Workforce Development Training Efforts – A Focus on RMI, Guam, and CNMI

Description: The PSATTC is engaged in planning a series of training events geared specifically to workforce development efforts in several Pacific Jurisdictions. The first effort involves planning for the delivery of two live, interactive virtual trainings for providers based in the Republic of the Marshall Islands. Details. The first live interactive training on Substance Use Disorders 101 will be held on August 7, 2020, and a second live interactive training on Crisis Intervention Strategies and Safety Issues for Working with Patients and Clients who Use Methamphetamine will be held on August 21, 2020. The second effort involves planning for the delivery of two live, interactive virtual trainings for providers based on Guam and CNMI. The first live interactive introductory level training on ASAM Criteria Training: Understanding the ASAM Criteria (ASAM-A) will be held on September 3, 2020, and a second live interactive intermediate level training on ASAM Criteria Training: Documentation and Other Procedures (ASAM-B) will be held on August 21, 2020.

Link: <http://www.psattc.org>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Provide ongoing coaching, consultation, and skill practice/development to Hawaii- and Pacific Jurisdiction-based trainers

Self-Care Plug-In

Description: The PSATTC, in collaboration with the ATTC Network Coordinating Office, is in the process of developing a new product entitled Top Five Tips for Self-Care Plug-In. The Plug-In builds off of the five-part Compassion Fatigue that the PSATTC developed earlier in year 3, and is a resource that ATTC regional and national focus area centers can infuse into trainings on a variety of topics as a reminder for providers to incorporate self-care practices in times of crisis. The Plug-In will be launched to the ATTC Network on August 19th as part of the ATTC Network Coordinating Office's Monthly Pop-Up Talk series. Planning is also underway for an outward facing webinar for Region 9-based clinical supervisors and other program staff, which will be held in September 2020. The Plug-In will be marketed to SUD treatment program staff to infuse into staff meetings and in-service sessions, as well as clinical supervision sessions.

Link: <http://www.psattc.org>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Develop at least two CIPs (Methamphetamine, Compassion Fatigue, Strategies to Treat Chronic Pain)

Guam Virtual Conference on Substance Use Disorders

Description: On September 29-30, 2020 the PSATTC, in collaboration with Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center will co-sponsor a two-day live virtual conference entitled Promoting Culturally Responsive Treatment and Recovery across the Pacific: Guam's Virtual Conference on Substance Use Disorders. The conference will be marketed as a Recovery Month activity to providers across the six U.S.-affiliated Pacific Jurisdictions, as well as to providers based in Hawaii and the western United States. The conference will feature a series of four keynote presentations (alcohol use disorder and opioid use disorder withdrawal management; stimulants and contingency management approaches; trauma-informed, gender responsive care for justice-involved individuals; and compassion fatigue), and four breakout sessions, each of which will include five workshops on a series of core topics. The five proposed concurrent tracks are: (1) prevention; (2) treatment; (3) recovery; (4) special populations; and (5) wellness.

Link: <http://www.psattc.org>

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- Provide ongoing coaching, consultation, and skill practice/development to Hawaii- and Pacific Jurisdiction-based trainers

Northwest ATTC Highlights from June - July 2020
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Motivational Interviewing Skills for Telehealth sessions

Description: In March 2020, almost all behavioral organizations in Northwest Washington region stopped providing face-to-face services. The Northwest ATTC team created a 30-minute Motivational Interviewing Telehealth coaching protocol to help behavioral health providers become proficient in MI telehealth care. The services were offered to a cohort of Motivational Interviewing trained practitioners by three MI coaches. Forty-one providers participated in 99 online coaching sessions over a period of five weeks. All sessions were coded for changes in reflection to question ratio to determine improvement. Our data shows that there was a direct link between those who attended more coaching sessions and their improvement in reflection to question ratios. Evaluation data also indicate that the MI Telehealth Coaching protocol is desired, useful and effective and we have since expanded the services to Idaho, Oregon and Washington.

Link: <http://attcniatx.blogspot.com/2020/07/>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

Motivational Interviewing for Medical Support Staff Curriculum

Description: This training module includes PowerPoint slides and a trainer's guide for delivering a 60-90 minute interactive presentation for support staff (i.e. front desk, schedulers) working in medical settings. The module introduces staff to the practice of Motivational Interviewing as a way to support patient-centered care and handle "challenging" patient interactions, and is intended to support MI implementation efforts in medical settings.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/northwest-attc/product/motivational-interviewing-support-staff-medical-settings-training>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Offer a minimum of 24 EBP training events and trainings in evidence-based processes (NIATx, TIC, ROSC) to promote skill development.

Washington State Recovery Café MI Coaching Support Project

Description: In July, Northwest ATTC embarked on a Motivational Interviewing Coaching Project to provide training and technical assistance to 28 recovery coaches who work at two recovery-oriented, non-profit organizations—the Recovery Café in Seattle, and the Recovery Café in Everett. Both Recovery Café Centers support populations who are experiencing homelessness and have substance use and/or mental health challenges. The project was

initiated with a two-day virtual Introduction to MI workshop on July 23 & 24. Northwest ATTC MI coaches will also provide individual coaching opportunities for recovery coaches to build and enhance ongoing MI skill development. In late August, a two-day Advanced MI workshop will be held, after which additional individualized coaching sessions will be offered to all participants in the fall. Individualized MI coaching is expected to help increase confidence and ability of peer staff to use MI skills in their interactions with clients who are largely from vulnerable populations.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Strengthening internal MI skills of Peer Staff and Counselors, with focus on developing in-house capacity for ongoing MI training of peer coaches.

Northwest ATTC Highlights for August - September 2020

Clinical Supervision Immersion Project

Description: This six-month long full immersion program in clinical supervision is intended to introduce participants to a model of supervision, familiarize participants with competency based counselor skill development, prepare participants to be highly qualified clinical supervisors, and meet state guidelines for being an approved supervisor. The curriculum includes live experiential training sessions, on-going learning session opportunities and culminates in direct observation combined with individual coaching in specific supervision skills. This program when fully completed will provide participants with 30 NBCC & NAADAC CE hours, which meets Alaska, Oregon, and Washington training requirements to be recognized as a Clinical Supervisor. All training sessions will be highly interactive and incorporate all of the Zoom platform features to maximize the learning experience. Phase I of the project includes a two-day CS I virtual training and 4 small group learning collaborative sessions and Phase II of the project includes a one-day CS II training, 8 small group learning collaborative sessions, and individual CS audio samples and individual coaching sessions. The project will start in August 2020 and conclude in February 2021.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activity: None

Integrated Treatment Oregon Council on Behavioral Health Project

Description: The Oregon Health Care Authority and Oregon Council on Behavioral Health identified the delivery of high quality co-occurring disorder treatment as a high priority workforce need. Northwest ATTC in response to this need is offering a nine-month intensive technical assistance project to SUD and MH providers in Oregon to assist them with enhancing the co-occurring disorder capability. Northwest ATTC staff selected ten programs through an application process held in July and will orient all programs to the project on July 27. Northwest staff and contractors will conduct Dual Diagnosis Capability in Addiction Treatment (DDCAT)

site visits during the months of August-October for all ten programs and share the assessment results to guide strategic planning. The second phase of this project involves program leadership attending a virtual Change Leader Academy and on-going process improvement team and individual coaching. Northwest ATTC staff will re-administer the DDCAT to assess progress in April and May of 2021. Reviewers will track system-level barriers and share this information with the Oregon Health Authority.

Link:

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activity:

- Integration Community of Practice focused on tools and practices to promote integration of SUD and mental health services.

Greater Oregon Behavioral Health Inc. (GOBHI) Motivational Interviewing Project

Description: The Northwest ATTC in collaboration with the Greater Oregon Behavioral Health Inc. is sponsoring a comprehensive Motivational Interviewing Learning Collaborative for Substance Abuse Programs in the Greater Oregon Behavioral Health Inc. region. The goal is to improve the skills of Certified Recovery Mentors (CRM) to enhance client engagement, increase client motivation, and facilitate greater retention and completion rates. Each agency is encouraged to send the clinical supervisor for their CRMs to participate in the training and subsequent learning sessions. Northwest ATTC staff will deliver the following training and technical assistance services as part of the learning collaborative: • MI: Part I 2-day training on September 9 &10; • MI Part II, 2-day training on October 7 &8; • 2 group coaching booster sessions in November and December; • Clinical Supervisor group planning sessions for integration of skills; • Three individual coaching sessions for each participant.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activity: None

National American Indian and Alaska Native ATTC Highlights from June - July 2020

Spirit of Communication/ Motivational Interviewing Virtual Training (part 3 and 4)

Description: The National ATTC/PTTC concluded a virtual MI training in June of 2020 as planned. Our trainers Dr. Kathy Tomlin and Kevin Tomlin, NATTC/PTTC consultants, out of Portland Oregon, had a successful conclusion to this 4-part series: Using Culturally Adapted Motivational Interviewing During Challenging Times. Dr. Tomlin, reviewed, and offered evidenced-based strategies/ techniques using a Motivational Interviewing (MI) approach towards behavior change. Areas of focus included the role of ambivalence in a change process and the concept of Change Talk. Sessions 3 and 4 built upon the two previous sessions of learning/ applying basic MI. As planned, the trainers focused on how the clinician/ counselor can process ambivalence when engaging with a patient in the change process by defining, eliciting, and attending to a patient's motivation to change through intentional use of their own language to elicit positive changes (Change Talk). Dr. Tomlin's lecture afforded participants a chance to practice some important introductory MI skills. She she answered many questions during the two final sessions in this series. It was attended by nearly 200 individuals for both events.

Link: <https://pttcnetwork.org/centers/national-american-indian-alaska-native-pttc/event/motivational-interviewing-during-0>

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities: None

Leadership Academy: Updates

Description: In response to the Covid-19 pandemic, the Leadership Academy initiated a Talking Circle for Mentors and Mentees. We have held weekly meetings for 18 weeks, starting March 30 in support of the participants of the program. The meetings have aimed at sharing information about new developments and challenges, resources, best practices and support. In June our monthly training focused on "Advocacy in Native Communities - Using your voice to address your communities concerns and needs". The training was delivered by Shirley Cain, J.D. Dr. Matt Ignacio spoke to the group in July, focusing on "Working with LGBTQ/Two Spirit Individuals in a Clinical Setting". He focused on enhancing provider knowledge to effectively work with Native LGBTQ/Two-Spirit individuals, and described steps to establish a trauma informed approach.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/national-american-indian-and-alaska-native-attc/leadership-academy>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

ATTC Native Virtual Storytelling Series

Description: This virtual ATTC event made its debut as planned last month. The meeting was successfully broadcast on zoom-based platform and involved a 60-minute Native American storytelling session. We had over 90 registered for the event. The first story telling session was facilitated by Native American storyteller, Edward Edmo Jr. from the Portland, OR area. Mr. Edmo shared three different Native American stories passed down to him from his ancestors over generations and led a discuss about each of the stories teachings/ values with the audience. The attendees were also to ask questions and share thoughts/ feelings related their own experiences based on the story shared during the session. The second broadcast is scheduled for early August and will feature Edmo again for a second storytelling session

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/national-american-indian-and-alaska-native-attc/event/native-american-storytelling-culture>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

National American Indian and Alaska Native ATTC Highlights for August - September 2020

Virtual Alcohol and Drug Certification Exam Preparation Course

Description: Due to COVID-19 and the associated health risks, ATTC will be no longer offering face to face trainings on this topic until further notice. Therefore, our ATTC team will be offering virtual certification exam preparation trainings in the coming months and possibly into 2021. Virtual Alcohol and Drug Exam Preparation Course will likely consist of a three to five-day online training courses via Zoom. The first course is scheduled for August 24-28. However, the registration will be only be available to Great Plains Behavioral Health Area Treatment providers. Additional dates for future trainings remain pending at this time • September (dates TBA) • October (dates TBA) • November (dates TBA)

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/national-american-indian-and-alaska-native-attc/academic-programming-special-topics>

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities: None

Leadership Academy: Upcoming Events

Description: The Leadership Academy has concluded the application process for cohort 4 as of July 31. Acceptances for cohort 4 will be announced on or around August 15. The onboarding of successful applicants will begin in September. Until then, the Leadership Academy will work out logistics and a program for starting the program virtually. Additionally, the Leadership Academy cohort 3 has been extended. The academy will continue offering trainings and talking circles for mentors and mentees. The graduation has been postponed until further notice.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/national-american-indian-and-alaska-native->

attnetwork.org/leadership-academy

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

TOR updates: Tribal Opioid Response Peer Recovery Support Group and Regional Meetings

Description: Starting in August, our ATTC/ TOR program will begin offering a weekly to bi-weekly Tribal Opioid Response Peer Support Groups geared toward ongoing group-based support for TOR grantees, MAT patients, family members, treatment providers, and other individuals being impacted by opioid use disorders. Additionally, Tribal Opioid Response Grantee Regional Meetings will continue as planned in the coming months to provide ongoing virtual TOR grantee support during the COVID-19 pandemic. Virtual Regional TOR meetings have been scheduled for the remainder of the summer, and into the fall/winter months.

Link: <https://attnetwork.org/centers/national-american-indian-and-alaska->

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities: None

National Hispanic and Latino ATTC Highlights from June - July 2020

Stimulant Module for Latinx Communities

Description: As a cultural supplement to the full-day Stimulant curriculum that was developed by the ATTC network we developed a 1-hour training focused on stimulant use disorder for the Latinx community. The module has been delivered to the workgroup leads and the NCO and is now in its final stages as we prepare to pre-record the module and launch in the upcoming months.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Based on specific requests from providers, community based organizations, agencies, etc we will deliver 8 technical assistance events focused on improving service delivery for those serving Hispanic/Latino communities.

Advisory Council Meeting

Description: This year (due to COVID-19) our meeting with our Advisory Council took place virtually over two half-day events. We were able to successfully report on another successful year, garner feedback from our Council members, and begin plans for year three of our Center.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- By the end of YR 2 we will have met with our Advisory Council at least 5 times via a virtual platform and 1 time in person to continue collaboration, invite feedback and guidance and to strengthen our relationship with the Council. Ultimately, this will serve to improve the implementation and execution of our workplace.

FAVOR Presentation

Description: On June 15th our Project Director, Dr. Pierluigi Mancini, presented at FAVOR's Virtual Recovery. The title of his hour long presentation was "A strategy to combat the opioid epidemic, COVID-19 and achieve health equity in behavioral health." The training was delivered to over 35 participants and was well received by all.

Link:

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- Based on specific requests from providers, community based organizations, agencies, etc we will deliver 8 technical assistance events focused on improving service delivery for those serving Hispanic/Latino communities.

National Hispanic and Latino ATTC Highlights for August - September 2020

Webinar Series and Fact Sheets

Description: Our Center is planning a two-part series on teaching self-compassion and community-compassion in the Latina community as a practical tool to use in healing our selves, families, and community. Both 90-minute webinars will be on the same dynamic though one live event will be held in Spanish and one in English. Directly following the live events we will be posting a fact sheet (in each language) to give information and tools to the audience and those who were not able to make the live events. This series will take place on August 26th and August 27th from 3:30PM-5:00PM EST. We will translate the fact sheet and re-record the webinar in Portuguese following the initial postings.

Link:

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- Based on specific requests from providers, community based organizations, agencies, etc we will deliver 8 technical assistance events focused on improving service delivery for those serving Hispanic/Latino communities.

Short Video Project

Description: Our team has been hard at work planning and recording content for a long-term video project we will be launching in September. We have partnered with our sister Center, the PTTC, to bring short (3-8 minutes) videos to help put a face to our Center and the work we do, normalize behavioral health topics, and offer practical tools for healthier coping options. These videos are being recorded in English, Spanish and Portuguese and will be released on our social media each month for next year.

Link:

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities: None

Virtual Learning Community

Description: As September brings us National Recovery Month and the first half of National Hispanic Heritage Month we have worked hard to pull together four incredible Panelists to deliver a 4-part Virtual Learning Series titled "The Intersection of Acculturation, Assimilation, and Substance Use Disorder in Latinx Communities: Risk and Resiliency Factors". This series will

consist of 4 90-minute sessions where we will unpack sub-topics related to the larger premise mentioned. All four of our Panelists will present at each session and our audience will consist of a small group (up to 30) individuals who will also attend each session. Our goal is three-fold: 1. Increase awareness, knowledge of the factors that need to be considered 2. Create a safe space for dialogue to occur between our subject matter experts and the participants 3. Ignite positive change in the workplaces and communities our participants live and work in. Marketing will be targeted with a commitment to attend all four sessions. We will also create opportunities for participants to request and receive additional TA after the sessions have ended.

Link:

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance, The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- Our ATTC will be involved in a more targeted effort to pair in-person training with TA to enhance training experiences and create more opportunities for successful implementation and sustainability.

ATTC Network Coordinating Office Highlights from June - July 2020
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Launch of "Your Guide to Integrating HCV Services into Opioid Treatment Programs"

Description: After thoughtful development involving focus groups with Opioid Treatment Programs (OTPs) and HCV subject matter experts, "Your Guide to Integrating HCV Services into Opioid Treatment Programs" was launched on World Hepatitis Day (July 28). The goal of this guide is to help build the capacity of publicly funded OTPs to integrate HCV prevention and treatment services into their programs. This guide may also be useful for Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), community and healthcare coalitions, nonprofit organizations and other substance use disorder and HCV treatment providers.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/global-attc/hcv-current-initiative>

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- Complete pilot testing, finalize and distribute a promising practices guide that address integrating testing and care for HCV in OTPs.

Racial equity tool and listening session

Description: The ATTC NCO, in partnership with the PTTC NCO and MHTTC NCO, developed and distributed a tool that can assist the ATTCS with thinking about how to analyze and apply lessons about racial equity in the United States. The ATTC NCO used this racial equity tool to analyze its work plan. It also hosted a listening session for the Network to discuss racial inequities and ways to incorporate the tool and other similar resources into future activities.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

Network working groups and collaboration

Description: The ATTC NCO staff provided meeting and registration support to the Stimulants working group for the Stimulants 101 Training of Trainers in July. It has also provided meeting and planning support to the Building Health Equity and Inclusion Working group for their upcoming national webinar in September on historical trauma. Last, the NCO collaborated with other TTCs across the three Networks on an abstract about transitioning to virtual as a result of COVID-19. This abstract was accepted for presentation at the Addiction Health Services Research Conference.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Convene, provide leadership, staffing support and coordination for the ATTC Stimulants Working Group

ATTC Network Coordinating Office Highlights for August - September 2020

Webinar series on transitional age youth

Description: The NCO is partnering with AMERSA and NORC on a webinar series focused on transitional age youth (TAY). The series will include 10 webinars on TAY and SUDs, with promotion and registration for the series beginning in September.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activity: None

Workplans on the ATTC Hub

Description: The NCO will launch a program through the ATTC Hub to help the ATTCs enter their new workplan for SAMHSA. The workplan will then be integrated with the Bi-Monthly Updates. The NCO will provide training to the Network on how to complete the workplans and will be available to offer individual TA to the Centers.

Link:

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activity:

- Turn ATTC annual work plan template into a searchable database

Quarterly meeting for National TTCs

Description: In partnership with the PTTC and MHTTC NCOs, the ATTC NCO is coordinating a meeting in August with the SAMHSA GPO and the directors and staff at all the national population-specific TTCs to discuss workplans, share updates on activities, and strategize on collaborative opportunities across Centers.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activity:

- An ATTC NCO staff person will continue to be the primary point-of-contact for the 2 national focus area ATTCs (National American Indian and Alaska Native and National Hispanic and Latino). An NCO staff person will continue to be the key point-of-contact for the regional ATTCs, holding up to 4 calls with each ATTC RC in year 3 to discuss progress and challenges.