ATTC Directors Think Tank on Year 4 Workplans and Carryover Activities

September 21, 2020, 11:00 pm-12:00 pm CT/12:00 pm-1:00 pm ET

In attendance: Beth Ruthkowski, Bryan Hartzler, Nancy Roget, Tom Freese, Jeanne Pulvermacher, Rosemarie Martin, David Jefferson, Sara Becker, Mary Cook, Michael Chaple, Todd Molfenter, Pat Stilen, Lena Marceno, Kelly Reinhardt, Viannella Halsell and Kim Clark

**Topic: Evidence Based Practices Stimulants and contingency management**

**Discussion questions:**

* What do you have planned to do related to address stimulants and/or CM in your region/with your population?
* How do you expect to use the new stimulants curricular materials and trainers and/or the new Northwest ATTC CM online course?
* How are you planning to customize the national stimulant curricular materials to meet your local or population specific needs?
* What intersections do you see with your plans to focus on stimulants and/or CM and the telehealth discussion from the last think tank session?
* What intersections do you see with your plans to focus on stimulants and/or CM and the racial equity discussions we have been having across the Network?
* Does it make sense to collaborate with one or more other ATTCs to develop your planned activities? How? Why?
* Does it make sense to collaborate with one or more other TTA centers (e.g., PTTC, MHTTC, CoE-PHI, COE-IHS) to develop the activities? How? Why?

Note: Please keep in mind that the new ORN round of funding includes a plan to develop an ORN stimulants workgroup, which Bryan Hartzler will co-chair with Frances Levin

* What coordination, marketing/dissemination, website, data collection or other support would you think would be helpful from the ATTC NCO?

**Discussion CM**:

* Focus on CM collaborative on training and standardized behavior change
* Issues around weight and stimulant use connections related to SUD; helping providers give positive messages
* Stimulants focusing on abstinence; evidence-based systemic issues
* Customize local needs and resources for CM, system issues are not the same everywhere
* Low incentives aren’t effective
* Identify regional programs that use CM effectively
* Recognize power of CM as advocacy tool
* Unanswered question around policy for reimbursement under current CM regulations
* Value in writing to SAMHSA on behalf of all ATTC’s about the fiscal impediment to CM and asking for relief

Link shared in chat summarizes current regulations: <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1002/adaw.32812?campaign=woletoc>

**Discussion stimulants curricular materials:**

* Challenge on case by case basis vs. existing packaged curriculum with Rick Ross; see place for both this and TA Rick offers
* Introduction to basics for treatment and stimulant specific knowledge awareness
* Create curriculum infusion course available to the network; goal to infuse pre-service.
* ORN is expanding use of funds on SU topics; want to connect with AAAP to learn about their plans

**NCO Next Steps:**

* NCO will share the OIG announcement.

**Next Meeting:**

October 1, 2020, 12:00 am-1:00 pm CT/1:00 pm-2:00 pm ET