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ATTC: New England

New England ATTC Highlights from December- January 2020

Addiction Health Services Research (AHSR) Conference

Description: The New England ATTC hosted the annual Addiction Health Services Research (AHSR) Conference on October 14-16, 2020 as a virtual event with regional and national reach connecting 386 researchers, policy makers, funders and community members. Since that time the New England ATTC has continued to host monthly AHSR workshops focused on key topics in addiction health services including understanding the effects of state opioid policies and determining the cost effectiveness of different interventions. AHSR has been an annual conference for over a decade dedicated to improving health services for individuals with, at risk of, or in recovery from addiction. Attendees of AHSR experienced nationally renowned plenary speakers – most of whom were intentionally drawn from the New England region (e.g., Dr. David Fiellin, Dr. Ayana Jordan, Dr. Sarah Wakeman), networking and mentorship opportunities, and ongoing workshops presenting cutting-edge research. Recordings of all of the plenary sessions and workshops can be found via the New England ATTC website and the special event website [ahsrconference.org](https://www.ahsrconference.org).

Link: <https://www.ahsrconference.org/>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Serve as lead host and organizer of the Annual Addiction Health Services Research Conference (AHSR), a national conference that brings together addiction health researchers, clinicians, policy makers, and funders to discuss evidence-based practices in addiction prevention, treatment, and recovery.

Contingency Management Principles for the Co-Occurring Collaborative Serving Maine

Description: The New England ATTC hosted a 2-day installment of an intensive TA effort in Contingency Management (CM) for the Co-Occurring Collaborative Serving Maine (CCSME) on January 6 and 8, 2021. This event was led by subject matter expert Dr. Carla Rash and was designed for substance use treatment providers, clinical directors, and case managers who had attended prior training on this topic. In this two-day installment, attendees learned how to design and implement an effective CM program. Specifically, Dr. Rash described 1) different types of CM programs (i.e., voucher, prize), 2) effective CM design features, 3) common deviations from evidence-based protocols and how to avoid them, 4) common barriers implementing CM, and 5) strategies for designing your own protocol. The first day consisted predominantly of didactics and case demonstrations. The second day consisted of facilitated group interaction designing CM protocols. Ongoing intensive TA is being provided to CCSME in the form of external facilitation with Dr. Rash.

Link:

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities:

- Maine: The New England ATTC will provide training and TA on evidence-based practices for addiction treatment and recovery on topics including (but not limited to) Contingency Management.

Call for Action Boston's 2020 Latinx Wellness Care Conference: Providing Appropriate Care to Men who Have Sex With Men and Tran

Description: The New England ATTC partnered with Call for Action (CFA) Boston, a non-profit organization serving Massachusetts to coordinate their annual Latinx Wellness Care Conference from December 9-11, 2020. CFA's main objective is to address disparities that affect the LGBTQIA community. Their focus population is men who have sex with men and transgender women. They provide services in areas of Mental Health, Substance Use, Trauma, HIV/AIDS and Sexual Health. Their goal is to nurture a healthy Latinx LGBTQIA community by addressing structural barriers preventing individuals from having fair access to wellness care, while creating awareness in developing a culturally appropriate workforce to provide services to the community. The conference objectives were to convene members of the Latinx LGBTQIA community in Massachusetts to address structural racism as a barrier to access quality wellness care during the current public health crisis and to engage Latinx LGBTQIA community members to discuss a culturally celebratory framework to connect members to wellness care effectively. There was discussion with the Latinx LGBTQIA community about the challenges developing a culturally appropriate and trauma-informed workforce while aiming to engage and retain members of the community effectively. The conference was entirely in Spanish and the New England ATTC coordinated a key note address from Dr. Haner Hernandez expanded on core principles of the conference including a new Latinx-centered workforce development and training initiative.

Link: <https://latinxwellnesscenter.org/>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Regional: The New England ATTC will deliver short-term training events throughout the region to support the cultural competence of the workforce. Specific topics will include (but not be limited to): Cultural Humility, Cultural Intelligence: Understanding and Incorporating CLAS Standards into Practice, Cultural Elements in Treating Hispanic and Latino Populations, Understanding Street Gangs and Identifying Strategies for Engagement and Intervention (this training focuses on how minoritized communities are vulnerable to gang involvement)

New England ATTC Highlights for February-March 2021

Wraparound Virtual Training Series for Substance Use Treatment Professionals in Rhode Island

Description: In partnership with the Parent Support Network of Rhode Island, the New England ATTC will present the "Wraparound Virtual Training Series" February – March 2021 with subject matter expert Michele Stewart Copes. This training will be offered throughout the state of Rhode Island. Wraparound refers to individualized planning and intervention for individuals and family members experiencing behavioral health issues, and related community obstacles surrounding substance use and mental health. The training will be offered to family members, community health workers and behavioral health providers. The focus will be on parents, family members, youth, and young adults impacted by opioid addiction and substance use challenges.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/new-england-attc/event/parent-support-network-rhode-island-new-england-region-1-0>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

The Impact of Compassion Fatigue in the Helping Profession for the Southeastern Mental Health Authority

Description: On February 2-3, 2021 the New England ATTC will present a virtual training on Compassion Fatigue for the Southeastern Mental Health Authority (SMHA), a Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services agency in the state of Connecticut. Compassion Fatigue is prevalent for those working in the human services field and is associated with burnout. Key concepts covered in this training will include compassion fatigue, compassion satisfaction, burn out and self-care. Attendees will learn how to recognize early warning signs of compassion fatigue as well as concrete coping strategies.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/new-england-attc/event/southeastern-mental-health-authority-new-england-region-1-impact>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

The Impact of Racism and Violence on Communities for Substance Use Treatment Professionals in Rhode Island

Description: On March 4, 2021, the New England ATTC will present a virtual training event entitled "The Impact of Racism and Violence on Communities" in partnership with the Substance Use Mental Health Leadership Council in Rhode Island. This workshop will address issues of racism and violence, and how these issues impact work with people with substance use disorders. By the end of the workshop, participants will be able to: a) identify the types of violence and trauma related issues that have impacted minority communities, b) analyze historical and systemic forms of racism, and c) discuss the concept of violence as a public health issue.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/new-england-attc/event/substance-use-and-mental-health-leadership-council-rhode-island-4>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

ATTC: Northeast and Caribbean

Northeast and Caribbean ATTC Highlights from December- January 2020

Launched Employment and Economic Self-Sufficiency ITA Project

Description: Costly Price of Benefits - The ATTC-NYAPRS Multiple Pathways to Employment Project will recruit another cohort of SUD treatment providers for this ITA initiative. This initiative helps providers assist their clients to navigate new paths toward employment (self-employment, apprenticeships, “gig economy” work). In today’s “gig economy”, it is easier than ever to create your own path to employment. Using the tools provided through the Multiple Pathways Project, providers will become experts at assisting individuals gain and maintain self-employment.

Link:

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities:

- Program Engagement

Launched Certified Recovery Peer Advocate ITA Project

Description: ATTC- NYAPRS Peer Integration Project - Although peer services have proven to be a viable resource for people with behavioral health challenges, there is limited understanding and acceptance of peer services as essential for promoting wellness, employment and full inclusion. This typically stems from limited knowledge about recovery and peer delivered services but also from the lack of an organizational recovery-focused culture that embraces peer roles. Organizational culture change requires organizations to think through and plan for peer-delivered services. This pilot project will develop: (a) an organizational assessment for identifying strengths and opportunities peer service integration; and (b) a curriculum that prepares organizations to develop the framework necessary to adopt cultural and service-related changes that support recovery and integrate peer supports.

Link:

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities:

- Recruit provider organizations to participate in NYAPRS' CRPA ITA Project

Launched Equity and Inclusion Academy (ITA Project)

Description: The proposed project will engage a pilot program in order to: (a) identify and summarize promising strategies for advancing organizational health equity in an effort to inform strategic planning for executive leadership; and (b) provide tools that will help organizations assess their strengths and opportunities in order to facilitate change initiatives. The final product will comprise a preliminary toolkit that offers strategic direction on best practices for advancing organizational health equity that includes an appendix of assessment tools that are currently available to the field and potentially appropriate for use by behavioral health organizations.

Link:

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities:

- Recruit provider organizations to participate in the EIA

Northeast and Caribbean ATTC Highlights for February- March 2021

Technology Based Clinical Supervision

Description: The NeC-ATTC is working with the NYS Office of Addictions Services and Supports (OASAS) to refine the Technology Based Clinical Supervisions (TBCS) course, originally developed by the National Frontier and Rural (NFAR) ATTC. Given the virtual landscape resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, minor adaptations to the curriculum will be needed to ensure that it reflects relevant updates in best practices for TBCS that are suitable for a remote environment in NYS. This project involves curriculum updates, two pilot trainings, and a Training-of-Trainers to increase accessibility to the course across New York State. Curriculum revisions will be completed in February, and training activities will begin in March, 2021.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

NYS Course on Cultural Competency

Description: NeC-ATTC trainers participated in a Training-of-Trainers hosted by the NYS Office of Addiction Services and Support (OASAS) titled, "Cultural Competence: A Journey to Improved Outcomes." In February, 2021, the NeC-ATTC will co-train it's first delivery of this new course, which consists of 16 hours of classroom instruction and two additional hours of HW assignments. The course will be a requirement for OASAS licensed clinicians, and the NeC-ATTC will contribute to rollout.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

TTC Virtual Workgroup Publication

Description: Michael Chaple, PhD is an active participant on the TTC "Transitioning to Virtual" workgroup, which in the past several months has been focused on a series of peer reviewed journal articles describing TTC strategies, approaches, and outcomes associated with the transition to virtual TTA. Dr. Chaple is currently working with two TTC colleagues (Kristen Powell, NeC-PTTC and Maxine Henry, NHL-ATTC) who are in the process of drafting another manuscript, this one examining GPRA data to compare access to TTA pre- and post-COVID. It is expected that a draft of the article will be submitted for peer review by the end of March, 2021.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

ATTC: Central East

Central East ATTC Highlights from December- January 2020

Psychopharmacology for SUD-Morgan State (12/02/20)

Description: Psychopharmacology is the study of substances that influence mental states. Such agents induce changes in mood, sensation, thinking, or behavior, and may be derived from plants or other natural sources or chemically synthesized in a laboratory. Trainer: Jasmine Carpenter This is part of a series of sessions conducted in partnership with Morgan State University, School of Social Work for Enhance SUD education in the 2020-2021 academic year.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/central-east-attc/event/psychopharmacology-morgan-state-120220>

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance, 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

Intersecting Epidemics: 1. Ending the HIV Epidemic: Intersection of Treatment, Prevention, & Substance Use Disorder

Description: DESCRIPTION: This virtual event is the first in the upcoming series entitled "Intersecting Epidemics in the Context of Ending the Epidemic: Tackling HIV, Substance Use, and HCV". By the end of the webinar, participants will be able to: Explain the correlation between HIV infection and Substance Use Disorder and the impact on HIV transmission in this special population. List the current HIV prevention models available in order to have an impact on the reduction of new HIV infections in the United States. Discuss Antiretroviral Therapy Rapid Start for persons diagnosed with HIV as a key strategy for Ending the HIV Epidemic. Trainings with 60 minutes didactic and 60 minutes interactive. Breakout rooms will be part of the interactive piece and will include case study discussion. **SPEAKERS:** Sharjeel Ahmad, MD, MPH, FIDSA, FACP, AAHIVS Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine Medical Director, Positive Health Solutions Department of Medicine, Section of Infectious Diseases University of Illinois College of Medicine- Peoria **ACCREDITATION:** Continuing Nursing Education (CNE):The MidAtlantic AIDS Education and Training Center is an approved provider of continuing nursing education by the Pennsylvania State Nurses Association Approver Unit, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. Social Work:This program is offered for 2.0 CE hours of social workcontinuing education through co-sponsorship of the University of Pittsburgh's School of Social Work, aCouncil on Social Work Education accredited school and therefore a PA pre-approved provider of social workcontinuing education. These credit hours satisfy requirements for LSW/LCSW, LMFT, and LPC bienniallicense renewal. More accreditation information coming soon. Continuing Education credits issued for participation in CE activitymay not applytoward license renewal in all states. It is the responsibility of each participant to verify the requirements of their state licensing board(s). This virtual conference is provided in collaboration by: The Central East ATTC, MidAtlantic AIDS Education and Training Center (MAAETC), the National Alliance for HIV Education and Workforce Development (NAHEWD), the Opioid Response Network (ORN), and the Mid-Atlantic Regional Public Health Training Center.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/central-east-attc/event/intersecting-epidemics-1-ending-hiv-epidemic-intersection-treatment>

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- 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.

Co-Occurring Disorders Series - Session 1: Cultural Humility

Description: This is part of ongoing series in developing co-occurring competence, focusing on culture competence. **DESCRIPTION:** The goal of this project is to provide a standardized set of trainings and supervisory supports to service providing organizations that will: 1. improve outcomes for patients who have co-occurring disorders, 2. Improve organizational outcomes, staff morale, and organizational efficiencies. **LEARNING OBJECTIVES:** Review epidemiologic statistics relating to disparities in health and behavioral health in the United States Define the concept and rationale for cultural sensitivity/humility in behavioral health Discussed cultural and language issues, as well as bias and stereotyping, that contribute to racial and ethnic disparities in clinical care settings Identify key dimensions of person-centered care and the role played by communication in developing a therapeutic alliance Discuss selected clinical cases, challenges, and strategies for providing more culturally responsive and effective health care **WHO SHOULD ATTEND:** All persons who interact with patients, which may include intake staff, reception area personnel, drivers, maintenance staff, as well as professional staff.

PRESENTERS: Anthony Estreet, PhD, LCSW-C, LCADC, Executive Director, Next Step Treatment Center. Anthony is an experienced client-centered therapist coupled with strengths in developing and delivering effective training.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/central-east-attc/event/co-occurring-disorders-series-session-1-cultural-humility>

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities: None

Central East ATTC Highlights for February- March 2021

Practical Applications Module 1: Integrated Screening Processes

Description: This is session one of a four part series that takes place the first two weeks of February. Build your knowledge of comprehensive screening protocols across primary care, substance use, sexual health, and infectious disease! Module 1 will focus on the integration efforts that support practical applications of comprehensive screening. Professionals working in these areas will be able to increase their knowledge of logistics updates in an interprofessional environment. These case-based logistical updates are designed to assist in creating comprehensive screening protocols in primary care, substance use treatment, and infectious disease and sexual health clinics. **Module 1: Integrated Screening Processes|February 2, 2021|8:30am-11:30am Integrated Behavioral Health Screening for Substance Use, Mental Illness and Suicidality Raylette Pickett, Chief Operating Officer, SheRay's & Associates, LLC**

Setting Up Your Sexual Health Screening Protocol: STI Screenings and Vaccinations Barbara Wilgus, MSN, CRNP, Program Administrator, STD/HIV Prevention Training Center at Johns Hopkins Additional information to come soon. This event is the second of four in a series. Visit the Practical Applications series webpage. This virtual conference is provided in collaboration by the following organizations: Central East ATTC, Central East MHTTC, Central East PTTC, MidAtlantic AIDS Education and Training Center (MAAETC), National Alliance for HIV Education and Workforce Development (NAHEWD), Opioid Response Network (ORN), and Mid-Atlantic Regional Public Health Training Center

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/central-east-attc/event/practical-applications-module-1-integrated-screening-processes>

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities: None

MOUD Anti Stigma Series, Session 1: Interactions & Challenges with the DEA

Description: This is session 1 of a 3-part series aimed at motivating additional mOUD providers. SERIES GOAL: In conjunction with Anne Arundel County, we are presenting a three-part anti-stigma training series on Medication for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD) to address and debunk popular beliefs and myths around opioid prescribing. MOUD has previously referred to as medication-assisted treatment (MAT). We would like to welcome MOUD prescribers, nurse practitioners, case managers, social workers, and other providers in hopes to increase the number of active MOUD prescribers and increase the knowledge, understanding, and value of MOUD treatment. LEARNING OBJECTIVES OF THIS SESSION: Explain the DEA official involvement with MOUD prescribers Explain how waiver providers will interact with the DEA Explain what will trigger contact with the DEA as MOUD prescribers Provide an overview of the number of MOUD prescribers This webinar is a collaboration between the Central East ATTC and the Central East PTTC.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/central-east-attc/event/moud-anti-stigma-series-session-1-interactions-challenges-dea>

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities: None

African Americans and Cough Syrup with Codeine Abuse

Description: This is part of an intensive TA series between the ATTC, MHTTC, PTTC and the Association of Black Psychiatrist in address African American Behavioral Health needs.

DESCRIPTION: This webinar will present the history, science, material culture, and social impact of cannabis and stimulant abuse on adolescents, adults, and their use as patented medications to treat mental illnesses. Download Flyer **LEARNING OBJECTIVES:** Discuss the history of cannabis and stimulant abuse Identify Loud, Dojo, Gas abuse Identify Lean, Purple Drank, Syrup, Sizzurp, Barre, Texas Tea abuse Identify the impact of Loud, Lean, etc. on the cognitive function and lasting mood and psychotic disorders Describe the morbidity and mortality of Lean and Loud abuse Describe potential susceptibility of Cannabis and Lean abuse to COVID-19 Construct a network that provides support, exchanges information, and generates new knowledge to support and improve treatment of Lean, Purple Drank, opiate, and Loud abuse **WHO SHOULD ATTEND:** Mental health professionals; mental health advocates; mental

health caretakers PRESENTERS: Benjamin Roy, MD is President of the Black Psychiatrists of America. He received his medical degree from Howard University College of Medicine and served his internship in internal medicine at Harlem Hospital and a psychiatry residency at St. Vincent's Hospital, both in New York, NY. He then completed a clinical fellowship in neuropharmacology at the National Institute of Mental Health and in neuroimmunology at the National Institute of Neurological, Communicative Disorders and Stroke, NIH, both in Bethesda, MD. He is a diplomate of the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology and Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association. Dr. Roy discovered human antibodies for endorphins and the opiate receptor in patients with psychiatric disorders and holds two US patents on methods of detecting certain antibodies in human body fluids. He has participated in numerous phase 2-4 clinical trials in neuropharmacology and neuroimmunology. He exposed the purpose of the Tuskegee Syphilis Experiment to develop syphilis diagnostic tests that were patented and commercialized. HOST: Annelle Primm, M.D., MPH is the Senior Medical Director of the Steve Fund, an organization focused on the mental health of young people of color. She is also a member of the Black Psychiatrists of America Council of Elders. Certificates of attendance will be available to viewers of 50% (30 minutes) or more of the live webinar (via email within 30 business days post-event). CEUs are not offered for this session. Webinar slide presentations and recordings will be posted to the website. This webinar is a collaboration between the Central East ATTC, the Central East MHTTC, and the Central East PTTC.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/central-east-attc/event/african-americans-and-cough-syrup-codeine-abuse>

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities: None

ATTC: Southeast

Southeast ATTC Highlights from December- January 2020

Southeast ATTC: DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION IN THE WORKPLACE: A FOCUS ON SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS AND MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT SETTI

Description: This skill-building virtual presentation is sponsored by the Southeast ATTC Regional Center and will focus on strategies to create an inclusive organization in substance use disorders and mental health treatment settings. Topics covered include the definitions of diversity, cultural competence, and cultural humility; reasons cultural humility is a more realistic goal than cultural competence; how to create a welcoming environment for clients seeking substance use disorders treatment from a diversity of cultural backgrounds; how to have a discussion of differences; how to help your co-workers feel appreciated regardless of differences; microaggressions, micro-insults and micro-invalidations in the workplace; a 6 step strategy to repair damage if you insult a co-worker; how to be a diversity change agent in the workplace; how to create an inclusive substance use disorders and mental health program in Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Kentucky, Mississippi, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina. Treatment providers, peer support communities, and community-based organizations in Region 4 are encouraged to register for free. Repair damage if you inadvertently commit a microaggression or insult in the workplace Help co-workers feel appreciated regardless of differences Be a diversity change agent in substance use disorders and mental health settings. Create an inclusive substance use disorders and mental health organization Co-hosted by: Wellstone Behavioral Health ===== Mark Sanders, LCSW, CADC has facilitated diversity training's for 25 years. His non-shaming, non-blaming style of diversity training has been well received by workshop participants. His strength as a diversity specialist lies in his versatility. He has helped a range of organizations with their diversity initiatives including: Fortune 100 and 500 companies; schools; nonprofit organizations; churches; hospitals and volunteer groups. Mark has delivered diversity training throughout the United States, Europe, Canada, Caribbean and British Islands. A partial list of Clients includes: 3M Corporation; American Family Insurance Company; Xerox Corporation, GM Corporation and the United States Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines. He is the author of 5 books and has had 2 stories published in the New York Times Bestselling Book Series Chicken Soup For The Soul. He lectures at the University of Chicago.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/southeast-attc/event/southeast-attc-diversity-and-inclusion-workplace-focus-substance-use>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Tangible Products, White Paper, Tool kit

Southeast ATTC | Ask the Expert December Session | Recovery during Turbulent Times: Familial Relationships and Coping Skills

Description: This virtual dialogue is sponsored by the Southeast ATTC Regional Center and will focus on family support systems, the continuity of care and how to provide resources for people in long term recovery in Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Kentucky, Mississippi, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/southeast-attc/event/southeast-attc-ask-expert-december-session-recovery-during-turbulent>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Facilitate behavioral health trainings and learning communities

Southeast ATTC: The Power of Spirituality in Recovery: Evidence of Hope

Description: The Southeast Addiction Technology Transfer Center (Southeast ATTC) is preparing an in-depth monograph on the power of spirituality in SUD recovery, scheduled for release in Spring, 2021. Meant for treatment, recovery, and faith audiences, the monograph will offer data on effectiveness, wisdom from history, and an abundance of suggestions for treatment, recovery, and faith leaders. Meanwhile, we are releasing two issue briefs, each offering a look at one facet of the monograph. Written by: Pamela Woll, MA, CPS Document Design by: Celene Craig, MPH, MS Southeast Addiction Technology Transfer Center (October 2020)

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/southeast-attc/product/southeast-attc-power-spirituality-recovery-evidence-hope>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

Southeast ATTC Highlights for February- March 2021

Southeast ATTC Ask the Expert February Dialogue: Expanding the Continuum of Substance Use Treatment Care

Description: This virtual dialogue is sponsored by the Southeast ATTC Regional Center and will focus on effective strategies to assist communities in access care, and how to elevate your skills in the continuum of care in Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Kentucky, Mississippi, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/southeast-attc/event/southeast-attc-ask-expert-february-dialogue-expanding-continuum>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

Training Series on integrating Cognitive Behavioral Therapy in addressing SUD's

Description: Southeast ATTC will be facilitating a 5 mos. closed learning series January - May for the state of South Carolina providers on integrating CBT when addressing SUD's.

Link:

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities: None

Diagnosing Substance Use Disorders and Exploring the Impact of DSM5 on Policy, Procedures, and Treatment

Description: This webinar will provide an in-depth review of the eleven diagnostic criteria for substance use disorders. We will explore the changes in criteria from DSM-IV to DSM 5 and how these changes align with the current neurobiological understanding of addiction. In addition, we will explore the shift to diagnosing substance use disorders across a spectrum and the shift to using science-based terminology. In exploring these changes, we will discuss approaches to treat people more effectively with substance use disorders and the impact this has on policy development. Overall, the goal of the training will be to support the addiction treatment and recovery workforce by improving our effectiveness to support people with substance use disorders.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

ATTC: Great Lakes

Great Lakes ATTC Highlights from December- January 2020

A Provider's Introduction to Substance Use Disorder Treatment for LGBT Individuals

Description: The Great Lakes ATTC provided virtual trainings for providers in Region 5 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 January 14 and January 19, 2021, for Region 5. A total of 140 participants attended the training.

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.

Zoom, Zoom: Helping your virtual sessions take off!

Description: The Great Lakes ATTC hosted the webinar Helping Virtual Sessions Take Off on December 8, 2020. The COVID-19 pandemic has caused a seismic shift in how practitioners provide services. With the sudden shift to virtual services, practitioners have been required to learn new ways of doing their essential work, but with little guidance about how to make those sessions work. Prevention Research Institute began providing virtual training services in the addictions treatment field in 2012. Since then, it has extended this work to prevention and assisting people in the delivery of virtual services. This session focused on the pragmatic questions of how to do these services with practical suggestions about what helps and what interferes with client engagement, how to prevent problems, and how to manage when challenges arise. The instructors used a dynamic blend of didactic, discussion, and activities to explore these issues and keep learners engaged.

Link:

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities: None

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 Activities:

- Promote the use of current evidence-based practices for recovery-oriented system of care to workers in non-traditional community SUD settings such as family courts, schools, work settings

Great Lakes ATTC Highlights for February-March 2021

Stimulants Training

Description: The Great Lakes ATTC will provide virtual training on Stimulants. Stimulant use has increased over the past decade, and the COVID-19 pandemic has created additional challenges for providers who provide treatment for stimulant use disorder. In this virtual series, participants will learn how stimulants affect the brain, body, and behavior. Presenters will discuss the impact of stimulant use in urban and rural communities and provide an overview of evidence-based approaches to stimulant treatment and recovery. This training will take place in February 2021.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

Effective Virtual Group Counseling Training

Description: The Great Lakes ATTC will host Effective Virtual Group Counseling Training. The COVID-19 pandemic required behavioral health providers to transition from face-to-face to virtual treatment services almost overnight. This rapid shift in treatment delivery left little time to develop strategies for effective patient engagement in virtual platforms. In this interactive series, presenters Mark Sanders and Bob Carty will provide an overview of how to shift to virtual platforms, along with successful strategies to build cohesion, use music and other activities, increase attendance, and manage conflict in virtual groups. This training will take place over three weeks in January/February 2021.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/great-lakes-attc/event/effective-virtual-group-counseling-training-three-part-series>

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities: None

Substance Use Disorder Services in the Days of a Pandemic (Part 3): Gifts of the Pandemic

Description: The Great Lakes ATTC will host the webinar Gifts of the Pandemic on February 15, 2021. The pandemic has brought challenges and disruption to substance use disorder services along with opportunities. The presentation will examine these new opportunities and “how to get there.” Presented by Sheila Weix, MSN, RN, CARN. During her tenure as a leader in SUD treatment, Sheila Weix has been involved with emergencies related to the HIV epidemic, 9/11, and the 2008 economic collapse. She is currently applying this experience in an outpatient treatment service that includes medication-assisted treatment in rural Wisconsin during the COVID19 pandemic. Learning Objectives: • Recognize some of the opportunities that have resulted from the pandemic. • Explore the role of resilience in responding to service needs

during the pandemic, and as a path to opportunities.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/great-lakes-attc/event/substance-use-disorder-services-days-pandemic-part-3-gifts-pandemic>

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities: None

ATTC: South Southwest

South Southwest ATTC Highlights from December- January 2020
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Educational Consortium Spring Semester Activities

Description: Enrollment of over 1,000 students in pre-service courses for addictions education and the initiation of spring semester practicum and community project activities at the SSW ATTC Education Consortium schools: University of North Texas Dallas (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:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

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

Connecting Recovery and Prevention in Oklahoma Communities

Description: The South Southwest Addiction and Prevention Technology Transfer Centers jointly hosted a three-part series of discussions between local prevention and peer recovery advocates in Oklahoma and in tribal communities to discuss shared vision, values and collaborative strategies. Participants have made plans to move forward to jointly host a town hall listening session for local prevention and recovery communities.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Conduct a series of discussions between local prevention and peer recovery advocates in Oklahoma and tribal communities around shared vision, values and collaborative strategies that may result in more integrated and effective approaches to meeting the needs of our communities

Healing-Centered Virtual Facilitation Training of Trainers Curriculum

Description: Development of a new training designed for experienced peer training facilitators in Region 6. The focus of the 24-hour training is development of healing-centered facilitation skills in a virtual setting. A beta version of the training with experienced peer training facilitators was completed in late 2020, and participants are continuing ongoing regular meetings to discuss implementation, with a second training planned for Spring 2021. This project resulted from professional development needs for peer recovery facilitators in Region 6 focused on virtual facilitation skills as a result of the health pandemic. This project is a partnership with SSW Mental Health TTC.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

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Faith Partners Program Evaluation Activities

Description: Develop a supplemental survey to assess relationship of the Faith Partners program with improved motivational changes over time related to addressing behavioral health issues within faith communities.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

Cultural Elements for Hispanic and Latino Populations Virtual Training

Description: Cultural Elements for Hispanic and Latino Populations Virtual Training hosted with Educational Consortium partner University of Central Arkansas on February 16, 18, 21 and 23, 2021.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

Region 6 Peer Leadership Council

Description: In partnership with the South Southwest MHTTC, coordinate and support monthly meetings of the Region 6 Peer Leadership Council with peer leaders from all five states, and assist with planning of 2021 Region 6 Virtual Peer Conference.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

ATTC: Mid-America

Mid-America ATTC Highlights from December- January 2020

ASAM Training for Missouri Department of Mental Health Services

Description: The Opioid Response Network (ORN) in Region 7 and the Mid-America ATTC are co-sponsoring an ASAM training for 50 members of the Missouri Coalition for Community Behavioral Healthcare's C-STAR Transformation Workgroup. Natalie Cook, Healthcare Transformation Manager with the Coalition requested technical assistance through the TAPJ in Region 7. Mid-America will provide ASAM Criteria texts for 50 participants and assist in marketing and coordinating the November 20, 2020 event. The Missouri Department of Mental Health is undertaking a major transformation of the state's systems of care and expects to adopt ASAM Criteria in 2021. Preparing high-level clinical leaders represented in the C-STAR Transformation Workgroup is a precursor to a full-scale rollout and training of the provider network.

Link:

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities: None

Delivering Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Care

Description: Delivering Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Care in a Community Mental Health Setting was a 3-part training series co-sponsored with the ORN TAPJ 15 (December 16, January 6, and January 13) with the goal to enhance treatment through meaningful therapeutic services via interpretation including how to be culturally appropriate with an emphasis on ethical considerations. Gabriela Flores, MSM, with over twenty-five years of experience working in the area of refugee and immigrant populations in the Kansas City metropolitan area, focused on unconscious bias for healthcare and mental health professionals, delivering culturally and linguistically appropriate care, and how to provide supportive behavioral health services to refugee and immigrant communities.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Menu of breakout topics, abstracts and identified trainers

Advanced Healthcare Interpreting: Substance Use Disorders 101

Description: Advanced Healthcare Interpreting: Substance Use Disorder 101 was a 1.5 hour virtual training, co-sponsored by the ORN TAPJ 15 and Mid-America ATTC. The training provided an overview of substance use disorders and focused on healthcare interpreters developing practical skills when working with persons with substance use disorder. Learning objectives included: a) Describe the professional guidelines and ethical framework of Healthcare Interpreters and b) identify and list common substance use disorders and their slang terms. Breakout groups read two case scenarios and identified implicit bias playing a role in each circumstance. Free CEs for medical interpreters were offered. Registration for the initial course

on Saturday, Jan 9th was 600 registrants therefore, 50% of audience was not able to log into a Zoom room of 300. The course was repeated on Saturday, January 30th to accommodate those who were not able to join the initial training.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Facilitate a series of podcasts, roundtables, and webinars focused on addressing needs of high-risk substance users

Mid-America ATTC Highlights for February-March 2021

Embracing Pregnant & Parenting Families Challenged with Substance Use Disorder

Description: Per request of the Kansas City Perinatal Recovery Collaborative, Mid-America ATTC, along with the Missouri Hospital Association (MHA), is co-sponsoring a 3-part virtual webinar series on May 26, June 2, and June 9 for medical providers, SUD, child welfare, and justice professionals plus peer specialists who work with pregnant and parenting families challenged with SUD. The MHA is developing an electronic participant manual to accompany the training. The goal is that families experiencing SUD will be met with compassion and understanding and receive care that is grounded in recovery-oriented values and principles. Session 1 will discuss neurobiology of addiction, parenting and addiction; Session 2 discusses EBPs for pregnant women with OUD, medications used to treat OUD, NAS/NOWS, long-term developmental outcomes for infants; and Session 3 covers stigma, implicit bias, steps to take toward becoming a stigma-free provider and supportive of a recovery-oriented and person centered approach.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

Advanced Medical Interpreting in Behavioral Health Settings

Description: A three-hour virtual training will focus on medical interpreting skill building in the specialty field of mental health and SUD. The course will be delivered on Saturday, March 13, 2021 from 9:00 – 12:45CT. The intended audiences will be medical interpreters from the Region 7. Continuing education hours for medical interpreters and addiction counselors will be provided at no cost. In addition to the GPRA, a post-test evaluation of participant satisfaction and knowledge will be conducted. Course objectives include: • Review the professional guidelines and ethical framework of Healthcare Interpreters • Identify challenges of interpreting in the mental health arena, both ambulatory and inpatient settings • Describe stressors for refugees and immigrants that may lead to mental health disorders • Identify common mental health disorders and appropriate terminology • Discuss a refugee mental health model • Differentiate your role as an interpreter in a mental health setting, versus a non-mental health setting • Discuss best practices in mental health interpreting techniques • Demonstrate interpreting techniques using mock scenarios related to mental health sessions

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

Targeted Technical Assistance: Addressing the Overdose Response Practices in Western Missouri Region

Description: We are expanding our reach to address overdose response practices in the Western Missouri Region. This includes analyzing aspects of opioid overdoses from when someone overdoses, to ER practices, to treatment and recovery connection. Projects that have resulted from this analysis include: • Developing a stigma-based presentation for first responders rooted in Peer Recovery experiences to create a feedback loop between responder saves and treatment access. • Partnerships with local EMS and Fire agencies, and emergency rooms to increase Narcan Leave Behind Programs and Peer Referrals. • Furthering connections between local overdose response agencies to enhance community collaboration around recovery and treatment referrals.

Link:

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities: None

ATTC: Mountain Plains

Mountain Plains ATTC Highlights from December- January 2020

2020 MOUNTAIN PLAINS LEADERSHIP ACADEMY COMMUNITIES OF PRACTICES

Description: On Dec 4, 2020, the Mountain Plains concluded a three-part Communities of Practice designed as reporting sessions for the cohort of participants in the 2020 Mountain Plains Leadership Academy. The Leadership Academy targeted Region 8 emerging leaders in the behavioral health disorders field and was conducted in Sept 2020. The Communities of Practice were conducted virtually on Oct 2, Nov 6 and Dec 4, 2020 to provide the cohort a forum for discussion on how their change projects were progressing. Mountain Plains also completed a comprehensive evaluation of the 2020 Leadership Academy based on formal feedback from participants and de-briefings with trainers. The summary evaluation was shared all participants and will guide 2021 activities and adjustments. The satisfaction levels were extremely high with strong outcomes on system change efforts reported at a December 2020 graduation. The 2021 Leadership Academy application process will begin in early 2021.

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

TELEBEHAVIORAL-HEALTH GROUP SERVICE DELIVERY

Description: Mountain Plains developed a two-part webinar series, Telebehavioral-health Group Service Delivery, offered Dec 4 and 11, 2020. SUD treatment and recovery providers have made great strides in virtualizing service delivery especially individual-based services. However, group counseling services, a mainstay in many SUD treatment and recovery support programs, has been more difficult to implement. This two-part webinar series provided: A review of recent research regarding patient satisfaction, group cohesion, and effectiveness of online group services; Identified challenges typically associated with online group facilitation and how to address them; Provided specific recommendations for online group facilitation and how it differs from in-person groups; and Discussed safety protocols, and issues related to ethics and privacy/security and confidentiality in the context of online group case scenarios. The series also highlighted online group counseling services and demonstrated its viability as an alternative to traditional in-person groups requiring new facilitative, alliance building, and administrative skills for both counselors and peers.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/mountain-plains-attc/event/telebehavioral-health-group-service-delivery>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- 2.2.a Create 6 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

TEXT REMINDERS TO ASSIST CLINICAL EFFECTIVENESS AND RECOVERY (TRACER) INITIATIVE

Description: The Mountain Plains began offering a series of events in Jan 2021 for treatment and recovery support providers to implement a clinical or recovery support text messaging program called Text Reminders to Assist Clinical Effectiveness and Recovery (TRACER). By invitation, regional service providers are participating in training/TA activities that include a webinar conducted on Jan 14, 2021 and individual consultation sessions scheduled for Thursdays, Jan 28, Feb 4 and Feb 11, 2021. The goal is to help providers create text messages that can be sent to patients/clients and peers to enhance service delivery. Text messaging is an inexpensive and easy way to expand providers' use of technology to enhance services. The series incorporates the use of products created in Year 2, A Guide to Using Text Messages to Improve Substance Use Treatment Outcomes; and in Year 3, The Language of Texting Prompt and Reminder Poster which are both available for download on the Mountain Plains website.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/mountain-plains-attc/use-technology-treatmentrecovery-services>

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

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SCREENING, BRIEF INTERVENTION AND REFERRAL TO TREATMENT (SBIRT)

Description: On February 23, 2021, the Mountain Plains will collaborate with the South Dakota Department of Social Services (SDDSS) to deliver a two-hour training on Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT). The training is targeted to serve Women Infant and Children (WIC) and other South Dakota Department of Health staff who serve women during the perinatal period. General knowledge about substance use disorders (SUDs) and their impact on the maternal/infant dyad will be discussed. In addition, trainers will describe the impact of stigma in relation to women with SUDs, introduce the SBIRT intervention using applicable screening tools for SUDs and perinatal depression, and provide a brief overview of Medication Assisted Treatment and recovery in this population. Trainers will also discuss infant recovery and Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome. The Mountain Plains will support South Dakota's key strategies to provide WIC staff with training materials regarding SBIRT and the South Dakota Department of Social Services will serve as content experts to address the referral to treatment component of SBIRT.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

STIMULANT USE DISORDERS Webinar Series

Description: On March 2, 9 & 16, 2021 the Mountain Plains will provide the Region with current stimulant use disorders training and resources, by offering a three-part webinar series based on the ATTC National Core Stimulant Curriculum Virtual Training of Trainers (TOT) Series and facilitated by regional trainers. The training series will provide information about central nervous system stimulants and their impact on brain, body, and behavior and will be adapted to address issues relevant to Region 8 rural, frontier and tribal communities. Registration information to be provided.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

Ethics Training

Description: On February 18, 2021, the Mountain Plains ATTC is collaborating with the North Dakota Department of Human Services to deliver a 3-hour Ethics Training. This training is targeted to serve the behavioral health workforce in North Dakota. Dr. Mita Johnson will cover the following topics: boundary issues/dual relationships, scope of practice, safe and ethical use of technology, appropriate referral for treatment, being an ethical professional, how to represent yourself, and the culture of treatment within an ethical context.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

ATTC: Pacific Southwest

Pacific Southwest ATTC Highlights from December- January 2020

Selection of the 2021 Cohort for the PSATTC's Organizational Process Improvement Initiative

Description: The recruitment process for the 2021 cohort of the Pacific Southwest ATTC's Organizational Process Improvement Initiative (OPII) concluded in December 2020. Of the 13 agencies that applied, 10 were selected to participate in the yearling intensive TA learning opportunity for treatment and recovery organizations to sustain process improvement and/or implementation efforts to enhance their services. The selected agencies include four from Arizona, three from California, one from Hawaii, one from Nevada, and one from Guam. It is notable that this is the most geographically diverse OPII cohort to date, and the first time there was representation from all four Region 9 states and at least one Pacific Jurisdiction.

Link: <http://uclaisap.org/psattc-opii/>

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities:

- Distribute and accept applications for PSATTC OPII

ASAM Criteria and Stimulant Use Disorder Training/Consultation Series

Description: On January 26, 2021, the PSATTC is launching a multi-topic training/TA series focused on implementation of ASAM Criteria and the impact of stimulants on the brain and body and evidence-based behavioral treatment approaches in partnership with the San Francisco Department of Public Health. Three live, virtual trainings and two Zoom-based post-training consultation sessions will be offered on Jan. 26 (Understanding the ASAM Criteria in the Context of the California Treatment System; ASAM-A); Feb. 16 (ASAM Criteria Training: Documentation and Other Procedures; ASAM-B); March 9 (Applying the ASAM Criteria, Consultation Session #1); March 18 (Stimulants and their Impact on Brain and Behavior: Best Practices and Approaches for Effective Treatment and Recovery); and April 6 (Applying the ASAM Criteria, Consultation Session #2). A series of 11 weeks of SMS text message learning extenders will be offered to all participants who attend the ASAM-B training in February 2021. Participants will have the option to opt-in to the learning extenders during the context of the ASAM-B training.

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

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Plan and deliver Enhanced Professional Learning (EPL) opportunities and post-EPL Consultation Group to participants throughout Region 9

Recovery Supports along the Continuum of Substance use and HIV Curriculum Pilot

Description: On December 14, 2020, Pacific Southwest ATTC-affiliated trainer Andrew Kurtz conducted a 2-hour pilot of the Recovery Support Services along the Continuum of Substance

Use and HIV curriculum, which is being developed in partnership with the HRSA-funded Pacific AIDS Education and Training Center. The three-hour live virtual curriculum will be finalized and released in spring/summer 2021.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/global-attc/products-resources-catalog>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Develop two new curricula in partnership with PAETC

Pacific Southwest ATTC Highlights for February-March 2021

2021 OPII Cohort Virtual Change Facilitator Academy

Description: On February 23, 2021, the Pacific Southwest ATTC will launch a five-week Change Facilitator Academy for the 2021 OPII cohort. The multi-session live virtual Academy will feature 21 hours of content spread across five consecutive weeks. Following the Academy teams will receive 12 months of virtual intensive technical assistance and organizational coaching from a team of Pacific Southwest ATTC-affiliated faculty, including monthly Community of Practice (CoP) Zoom sessions to provide opportunities for continued learning (beyond the Academy) and cohort interaction.

Link: <http://uclaisap.org/psattc-opii/>

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities: None

ASAM Criteria SMS Text Message Learning Extender Launch

Description: In February 2021, the Pacific Southwest ATTC will expand the use of SMS text message learning extenders for sequenced learning efforts, launching a new 11-week series of ASAM Criteria-specific learning extenders that will be offered in conjunction with intermediate-level ASAM Criteria training offered throughout Region 9. The ASAM learning extenders will be piloted internally the week of February 1, 2021 and will officially launch on February 16th following a live virtual ASAM Criteria: Documentation and Other Procedures (ASAM-B) training that will be conducted for approximately 35 participants.

Link: <http://psattc.org>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

Intensive Training and Clinical Consultation to Support Hawaii CARES Implementation

Description: Beginning in March 2021, the Pacific Southwest ATTC is launching an intensive T/TA initiative in collaboration with the Hawaii Department of Health Alcohol and Drug Abuse Division (ADAD) and the University of Hawaii-Manoa (UH-Manoa). This effort will support the broad-scale implementation of Hawaii CARES (Coordinated Access Resource Entry System). HI CARES exists to provide a continuum of care to deliver SUD treatment modeled after the ASAM Criteria for SUD services. Initial activities will include the provision of bi-weekly clinical consultation sessions (March-December 2021) for Care Coordination Associates focused on

motivational interviewing micro-skills (e.g., empathy, active listening, etc.) and case-based consultation focused on strategies to deal effectively with difficult or complicated/multi-faceted crisis, SUD, mental health, and COVID-specific phone calls. This 12-18 month T/TA program, once initiated, will provide intensive training and case-based consultation on a variety of topics, including motivational interviewing, co-occurring SUD and mental health disorders, substance use disorders 101, ASAM criteria, crisis management, case management, cultural humility, and social determinants of health for two tracks (line staff call center track and supervisor track).

Link: <http://psattc.org>

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities: None

ATTC: Northwest

Northwest ATTC Highlights from December- January 2020

Virtual Motivational Interviewing Series

Description: Northwest ATTC staff, Denna Vandersloot and David Jefferson offered a virtual MI training on December 17 & 18, 2020 and January 21 & 21, 2021 to twenty-six individuals from Region 10. This virtual four-part Motivational Interviewing basic to intermediate training opportunity provides social service, medical and behavioral health professionals with evidence-based methods for creating a person-centered approach to service delivery. The training covers foundational practices of MI and uses Zoom technology to create engaging and highly interactive training sessions.

Link:

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.

Tobacco-Related Health Disparities and Social Justice Lecture Series

Description: In the fall of 2020, the Northwest ATTC sponsored three presentations on tobacco and health disparities as part of the University of Washington's course "Tobacco-Related Health Disparities and Social Justice". These presentations along with their slides are now available on the Northwest ATTC web-page for viewing. The series includes the following three presentations: The Tobacco Epidemic in the United States - Bia Carlini, PhD, MPH; Addressing Equity in Tobacco Dependence Treatment - Tim McAfee, MD, MPH; and Tobacco and Opioid Dependence - Kimber Richter, PhD, MPH.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/northwest-attc/tobacco-related-health-disparities>

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- Tobacco-related health Disparities and Social Justice Lecture Series with the University of WA Tobacco Studies Program

Wellness and Resilience Training

Description: Northwest ATTC provided two training offerings on workforce wellness and resiliency in December. Northwest's December webinar on December 16th featured a presentation by Dr. Annie Roepke on strategies to build resilience. Topics included reconnecting with values, meaning, and purpose; finding self-compassion during tough times; and maintaining motivation to take care of ourselves in ways that work for us. This session was recorded and is available at the link below. Dr. Annie Roepke also provided a 2-part workshop (8 hours total) for Alaska providers on this topic during December. Objectives of the workshop include: 1) Define resilience; 2) List three strategies for fostering resilience; 3) Describe how reconnecting with our values can be useful for managing our anxiety; and 4) Explain what self-

compassion is and how it can be useful as we face challenges.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/northwest-attc/event/resilience-and-wellness-webinar>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Employee Wellness, Self-care, and Resilience: Alaska Learning Collaborative addresses foundational and practice information regarding health, wellness, and balance.

Northwest ATTC Highlights for February-March 2021

Four State Tribal Clinical Supervision Learning Collaborative (AK, ID, OR, WA)

Description: The Northwest ATTC team is collaborating with trainers, Paul Hunziker and Leah Niccolocci and our tribal partners to customize the Northwest ATTC clinical supervision curriculum to assure it is Tribal centric. This seven-month long full immersion learning collaborative is intended to introduce participants to a model of observation-based clinical 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 clinical supervisor. The Tribal Clinical Supervision Learning Collaborative will start in March and run through September, 2021. Clinical Supervisors from each of the four states will be selected to participate and have the opportunity to learn from the facilitators and from each other.

Link: <https://adai.uw.edu/nwattc/pdfs/TribalClinicalSupervisionFlyer2021.pdf>

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities: None

Pregnant/Parenting Woman and Substance Use Webinar Series

Description: The Northwest ATTC is sponsoring a Pregnant/Parenting Woman and Substance Use Webinar Series January through March 2021. The first webinar in the series is Improving Outcomes by Recognizing and Responding to Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) in Individuals presented by Dan Dubovsky, MSW. The February webinar will be presented by Susan Stoner, PhD.D. on the Parent-Child Assistance Program: Supporting Substance Use Disorder Recovery for Pregnant and Parenting Women. The March webinar will be presented by Dr. Celestina Barbosa-Leiker on Daily Cannabis Use during Pregnancy and Postpartum: Patient and Provider Perspectives.

Link: [Northwest ATTC Webinar Series | Addiction Technology Transfer Center \(ATTC\) Network](#)

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

Idaho Community of Practice on Conducting Virtual Group Sessions

Description: The “Enhancing Your Virtual Group Therapy Skills” is a four-part community of practice series for Idaho practitioners. The goals of the series is to provide practitioners a space for dialogue, questions, and a discussion of what has and has not been successful, and the

opportunity to share resources. Dr. Leann Diederich, a Group Psychologist and a former Board Member of the Society of Group Psychology and Group Psychotherapy (Division 49 of the American Psychological Association) is facilitating the sessions. The one-hour virtual sessions are offered one time per month through April 2021. The topics include: Engaging Clients in Virtual Groups, Ethics and Confidentiality in Virtual Groups, Making Technology Work for You, and Managing Challenging Situations in Virtual Groups.

Link: <https://adai.uw.edu/nwattc/pdfs/CommunityofPracticeFlyer.pdf>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

ATTC: American Indian Alaska Native

American Indian Alaska Native ATTC Highlights from December- January 2020

Leadership Academy

Description: The Leadership Academy's Cohort III is continuing its learning virtual collaboratives on a monthly schedule. They are focusing on information about new developments and challenges, resources, best practices and support. Their graduation was originally to have taken place in Portland in September, but was postponed due to COVID-19. Moreover, we have accepted 22 Mentors and Mentees into the IV Cohort annual American Indian & Alaska Native Leadership Academy class of 2021! The Immersion training has started in virtual mode, and we are excited to welcome and onboard the new participants in our program. The Leadership Academy cohort IV has had several meetings and trainings as part of the its virtual onboarding process. Dr. Amy Colbert, a Professor of Management & Entrepreneurship in the Tippie College of Business at the University of Iowa, spoke to the group about "Using Feedback to Grow as a Leader" in November. In January she focused on "Introduction to Project Management". During the presentation she used examples relevant for the mentees, who will be working on their own projects during their participation in the one year program. In February the mentees in the program will share their "community feedback" and initial plans for their projects.

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

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Begin implementation of the 2020-2021 Leadership Academy

Tribal Opioid Response Review of late 2020

Description: We've continued hosting our series of regional meetings with TOR grantees, including meetings in December and January. Based on feedback from the grantees, we've shortened our meetings to a single session, and we plan to continue holding these rotating meetings throughout the year. We've also continued our monthly Caring and Sharing through Technology sessions, a regular session where grantees can share their experiences with their neighbors to improve their programs.

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

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- Offer one workshop on Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) followed by teleconference or video conference learning collaboration

Ongoing Webinars, Trainings, and Regional TOR meetings

Description: The National AI/AN ATTC has continued providing ESAS series/ Behavioral Health webinar broadcasts, Alcohol/ Drug Certification Exam Preparation courses, and held ongoing virtual TOR Regional meetings as planned in late 2020 and the early 2021 calendar thus far. Additionally, the center has been providing ongoing Virtual events such as Native Talking Circle, Native Storytelling, and Native Veteran Peer Support and Skills trainings through mid-late 2020. Our National Center has remained at the ready and provided ongoing support and technical assistance throughout the COVID-19 pandemic to our grantees, their affiliates, Native communities, Native and non-native providers, families, peers, and colleagues affected by this national crisis.

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

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities:

- Provide a full range of virtual webinars, trainings, events, and products

American Indian Alaska Native ATTC Highlights for February-March 2021

Certified Health Aid Program Training Curriculum Update (CHAP)

Description: Our Tribal College and University Initiative is continuing to develop the AI/AN Behavioral Health Promotion Program. This program aims to provide training and support for Native communities and tribal colleges to grow their programs in behavioral health. It is designed to encourage the growth of the workforce in communities in need. The project group meets regularly with IHS and SAMHSA to discuss aspects related to the project. The group will focus on developing courses for levels I & II over the coming months. Dr. Ken Winters is consulting with us on this project.

Link:

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities: None

Tribal Opioid Response Update early 2021

Description: We've begun a monthly webinar series on topics that TOR grantees have requested, beginning with our Co-Director Sean Bear's presentation on the role of spirituality in addiction treatment.

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

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities: None

Clinical Supervision training and Alcohol and Drug Certification Exam training

Description: Look for these two important trainings to be offered in early 2021. Sean Bear, Co-Director, Steve Steine ATTC Manager, and a host of ATTC Senior Consultants will lead a series of important virtual trainings in the coming months. Including a culturally adapted clinical

supervision training series featuring culturally adapted clinical supervision training based on TIP 21-A and important feedback and insight from Native consultants/practitioners throughout our ATTC network group. Furthermore, a Virtual Alcohol and Drug Certification Exam Preparation Course is also planned. This course is designed to provide Native clinicians, interested in taking their state's respective alcohol/ drug certification exam, better prepare for this important credentialing exam.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/national-american-indian-and-alaska-native-attc/alcohol-and-drug-exam-preparation-resources>

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities: None

ATTC: National Hispanic Latino

National Hispanic Latino ATTC Highlights from December- January 2020

Webinars

Description: During the month of December we delivered two live webinars 'Impact of illegal substances, viral infections, COVID 19 Pandemic in our pregnant population.' One event was held in English and the second in Spanish. Objectives: Review the use and abuse of illegal substances during pregnancy. Address the identification and management of Hepatitis C during pregnancy Present our current knowledge of COVID-19 pandemic and its impact on pregnant patients Presenter: Luis A. Izquierdo, M.D.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/national-hispanic-and-latino-attc/event/impact-illegal-substances-viral-infections-covid-19>

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- In the 1st half of Year 3 our ATTC will deliver at least 3 virtual events/webinars. The topics will be guided by the results of our Training Needs Query, specific requests, and other developing topics. Virtual events will range from 1-3 hours in length.

Leadership Academy

Description: We are honored to announce the kick-off of our second annual National Hispanic and Latino Executive Fellowship and Leadership Academy. On January 22nd we convened 20 new emerging Latino and Latina leaders for the first of their 9 monthly gatherings. In addition, we are proud to have added our Academy to the HealthKnowledge platform with the intention of evolving the curriculum and increasing engagement within the cohorts and between the cohorts and the instructors.

Link:

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance, The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- ATTC will begin to deliver two (2) simultaneous 9-month Leadership Academy cohorts with the goal of preparing new individuals for leadership opportunities.

Short Videos

Description: We continue to offer short videos across all of our social media platforms with the intention of providing skills, normalizing behavioral health issues, and connecting with our communities. In December we launched our video 'December Health Celebrations' encouraging those in recovery to have sober, fun and safe celebrations during the holiday season. January brought our video 'A Healthy New Year' where we took a moment to encourage simple and realistic ways to begin the new year making healthier decisions. All videos are recorded in English, Spanish and Portuguese.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/national-hispanic-and-latino-attc/product/december-holiday-celebrations>, <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/national-hispanic-and-latino->

[attc/product/healthy-new-year-un-ano-nuevo-saludable-un-ano-novo](https://attcnetwork.org/product/healthy-new-year-un-ano-nuevo-saludable-un-ano-novo)

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities: None

National Hispanic Latino ATTC Highlights for February-March 2021

Upcoming Webinars

Description: On February 10th and 17th we will be hosting a live 90-minute webinar titled 'COVID-19 and the Latinx Community: Skills to reduce stress, stigma, and substance use', first in English and then in Spanish. This webinar aims to provide an overview on the stress and stigma Hispanic and Latino communities face in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic and how this has caused an uptick in substance use among individuals. This presentation will provide recent research and information on Latinx stress, substance use and mental health trends, and coping strategies that professionals working with the Latinx community can use to help clients build resiliency. Speakers Jessica Martinez, MA

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/national-hispanic-and-latino-attc/event/covid-19-and-latinx-community-skills-reduce-stress>

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities: None

Black History Month

Description: During the month of February we will be honoring Black History Month by launching a special edition of our monthly short videos. Our new short videos titled 'Latino Behavioral Health Supports Black History Month' feature three of our consultants who identify as Afro-Latino. Their videos highlight the unique experience of Afro-Latinos and celebrate the contributions they have made to our communities.

Link:

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities: None

Spanish Virtual Learning Series

Description: In March our center will be hosting a 4-part Virtual Learning Series in partnership with NAADAC. The entire series will be held in Spanish and co-hosted by our Project Director, Dr. Pierluigi Mancini, and one of our consultants (and 2020 Leadership Academy graduates) Ana Vizoso. This Spanish series will focus on the importance of Clinical Supervision, with an emphasis on cultural and linguistic competence and appropriateness. Registration to come soon.

Link:

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance, The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities: None

ATTC: Network Coordinating Office

Network Coordinating Office ATTC Highlights from December- January 2020

HCV OTP Learning Community

Description: The NCO finalized the planning of and launched a Learning Community based on the NCO product “Your Guide to Integrating HCV Services into Opioid Treatment Programs” (July 2020). The first session of the ten-session Learning Community was held on November 16, 2020; the series will run through April 2021. Throughout the course of the Learning Community, teams from opioid treatment programs (OTPs) will develop an action plan for integrating Hepatitis C prevention, testing, and treatment into their existing program. Nick Szubiak, MSW, LCSW is facilitating with behind-the-scenes support from the NCO and Erin Winstanley, PhD is evaluating the Learning Community. The NCO partnered with the American Association for the Treatment of Opioid Dependence (AATOD) to recruit opioid treatment programs (OTPs) from across the country to apply to participate in the Learning Community. Seventeen OTPs applied and 10 were accepted for participation based on a set of review criteria. Learning Community content includes presentations from subject matter experts within the opioid use disorder and infectious diseases fields and peer-to-peer learning related to facilitators and barriers to service integration. At baseline, an average of 63.5% (range: 18-100%) of new patients across the 10 OTPs were being tested for HCV. The NCO will reassess testing rates and other data points at midpoint, completion, and three months after the Learning Community.

Link:

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities:

- Develop and implement a learning community for OTPs to integrate HCV testing and care utilizing the "Your Guide" product that was finalized in year 3.

Virtual Exhibit Booth

Description: As the TTCs continue to adapt to the increase in virtual events resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, the NCOs have developed a TTC Virtual Booth to help promote the three Networks. The TTC Virtual Booth includes links to the TTC website, social media accounts for the three Networks, resources, training calendars, and HealthKnowledge.org. It can be used for a variety of marketing purposes, including virtual conference exhibits:

<https://www.thinglink.com/card/1382814558917230595>. The ATTC NCO maintains the TTC Virtual Booth and will review quarterly products and resources. The Booth has been added to ATTC, PTTC, and MHTTC websites in the About Us section and on the TTC website: <http://technologytransfercenters.org/exhibit>. The Booth was distributed to the TTC listserv on January 27 and has recorded 171 opens to date.

Link: <https://www.thinglink.com/card/1382814558917230595>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Exhibit & promote the ATTC Network via bag inserts & program advertisements at up to 3 national conferences per year and apply to present on behalf of the Network at up to two national conferences. In year 4, put renewed effort into identifying

exhibiting/presenting opportunities at conferences that focus on populations from traditionally marginalized communities.

Transitional Age Youth Webinar Series

Description: The ATTC NCO partnered with NORC, at the University of Chicago and the Association for Multidisciplinary Education and Research in Substance Use and Addiction (AMERSA) to bring a series of virtual events examining special topics for working with adolescents and transitional age youth that relate to substance use and mental health conditions. The teen and young adult years are an important time for early intervention into substance use and mental health. There are many evidence-based practices and promising interventions that can be used effectively. The goal of this series is to provide evidence-based and cutting-edge information on substance use prevention and intervention to an interprofessional audience of behavioral health practitioners for working with adolescents and transitional age youth (18 - 25). Webinars held to date include: • The Impact of Substance Use on the Developing Adolescent Brain, Tuesday, October 27, 2020, Presenter: Sharon Levy, MD, MPH, Director, Adolescent Substance Use and Addiction Program (ASAP), Boston Children's Hospital. This session had 2,589 registrants and 1,515 attendees (58% attendance rate). • Who's Doing What?: The Epidemiology of Adolescent Substance Use, Tuesday, November 17, 2020, Presenter: Veronika Mesheriakova, MD, Assistant Professor Pediatrics and Adolescent Medicine, University of California, San Francisco. This session had 1,829 registrants and 988 attendees (54% attendance rate). • Substance Use Interventions for Adolescents and Transitional Age Youth, Tuesday, December 15, 2020, Presenters: Sarah Bagley, MD, MSc, Primary care physician and researcher specialized in addiction medicine, Boston Medical Center, Boston, MA, Assistant Professor of Pediatrics and Medicine, Boston University, Nicholas Chadi, MD, MPH, Pediatrician and researcher specialized in adolescent and addiction medicine, Sainte-Justine University Hospital Centre, Montreal, Canada, Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, Université de Montréal. This session had 2,065 registrants and 1,025 attendees (50% attendance rate).

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/global-attc/tay-webinar-series>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Organize and disseminate a 10-webinar series focused on the particular needs of transitional age youth.

Network Coordinating Office ATTC Highlights for February-March 2021

TTA Centers Leadership Coordination

Description: The February Pop-Up Talk will take place on Feb. 16 at 1 p.m. EST. This month's topic is "Facilitating Virtual Group Sessions: What do counselors and leaders need to deliver effective virtual group sessions?" Thank you to the Northwest ATTC (HHS Region 10) for hosting. ATTC-ers who wish to attend but do not already have the calendar invite can contact Lena Marceno at Lena.Marceno@altarum.org.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

JCOIN Overview for ATTC Directors

Description: On February 24, 2021 at 3pm CT, the ATTC NCO will host a webinar for the ATTC Directors for Tisha Wiley and Lori Ducharme will provide an overview of NIDA's Justice Community Opioid Innovation Network (JCOIN).

Link: <https://heal.nih.gov/research/research-to-practice/jcoin>

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities: None

ATTC Directors Meeting

Description: The ATTC NCO will host an ATTC Directors meeting on March 25, 2021 at 2pm CT. This is the regular recurring ATTC Directors meeting held every other month.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None