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ATTC: New England

New England ATTC Highlights from February-March 2021

Trauma Integrated Care

Description: The New England ATTC hosted a two-part training workshop from 3/25 - 3/26 in partnership with the Connecticut Department of Mental Health and Addictions Services. The interactive and experiential workshop, facilitated by ATTC subject matter expert, Taylor D'Addario, MA, LCDP entitled, "Trauma Integrated Care" provided an overview of the impact of trauma on the recovery process from a social, biological, psychological, and spiritual perspective and provided clinicians with skills to work with people affected by trauma throughout their recovery.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/new-england-attc/event/connecticut-department-mental-health-and-addictions-services-new-13>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Connecticut: The New England ATTC will deliver a number of requested targeted TA events on evidence-based practices for addiction including (but not limited to): Trauma-Informed Assessment and Treatment, MOUD 6-part series, and Words Matter: Addressing Stigma in Substance Use Treatment

The Science of Bias: How Cognition and Motivation Impact Judgment

Description: The New England ATTC, in partnership with the New England Association of Recovery Court Professionals (NEARCP), continues to offer a bi-monthly targeted technical assistance series for justice professionals to advance the treatment of persons with or at risk of substance use disorders involved the justice system. The most recent training session titled, "The Science of Bias: How Cognition and Motivation Impact Judgment - Part 2" presented by Keith B. Maddox, Ph.D. was held on March 31st at 12PM EST. This session considered social psychological strategies to reduce bias, discussed the impact of such strategies on decision-making and outcomes, and explored ways these risk reduction strategies might be implemented in organizational contexts.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/new-england-attc/product/science-bias-how-cognition-and-motivation-impact-judgment-webinar>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- The New England ATTC will actively partner with The New England Association of Recovery Court Professionals (NEARCP) on a series of webinars and an annual regional conference to address the training and TA needs of drug court professionals.

Tips for Building Your Career as an NIH Researcher

Description: Over the past year, the New England ATTC hosted a series of the Addiction Health Services Research workshops to provide a forum for researchers, policy makers, clinicians and funders to share the latest cutting-edge addiction health services research. Our most recent workshop, "Tips for Building Your Career as an NIH Researcher" was held on March 15th. The workshop featured presentations and small group discussions with NIDA and NIAAA program staff, including strategic advice on how to start and maintain a research career. Topics included funding opportunities for dissertation research and pre/postdoc fellowships,

career (K) awards, getting R-series grants, building partnerships, avoiding stagnation, and making strategic use of supplements and other funding opportunities at NIH and beyond. The first 60 minutes featured presentations and general Q&A. In the last 30 minutes, participants were able to choose a virtual roundtable for small group discussions hosted by a NIDA/NIAAA program officer.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/new-england-attc/product/tips-building-your-career-nih-researcher>

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.

New England ATTC Highlights for April-May 2021

Cultural Competency: Building Health Equity in the Workplace

Description: The New England ATTC is hosting a two-part training on 4/8 and 4/9 entitled "Cultural Competency: Building Health Equity in the Workplace" for the The Substance Use and Mental Health Leadership Council of Rhode Island. The workshop, facilitated by subject matter expert Brenda Westberry, is designed to help the participant build their cultural intelligence; learn effective strategies to engage with individuals and groups from various ethnic, racial, religious and gender backgrounds; and promote more equitable attitudes and behaviors in the workplace.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/new-england-attc/event/substance-use-and-mental-health-leadership-council-rhode-island-7>

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.

Designing Contingency Management with Fidelity

Description: The New England ATTC, in response to a need identified in the New Hampshire Drug Court system, is hosting a two-part training titled, "Designing Contingency Management with Fidelity" for the New Hampshire Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselors Association on 4/15 and 4/16 with subject matter expert, Carla Rash, PhD. Contingency Management (CM) is an effective behavioral intervention that provides tangible reinforcement when target behaviors are completed and objectively verified. Many applications of CM in treating SUDs focus on abstinence, providing monetary rewards or prizes when clients provide objective evidence of abstinence from drugs (e.g., urine samples). Contingency management has also been adapted successfully to reinforce other behaviors, including treatment attendance, medication adherence, and treatment-related activities (e.g., submitting job applications, attending medical appointments). In this workshop, the application of CM to promote positive behavior change in

substance use disorder treatment settings will be reviewed. Attendees will learn how to design and implement an effective CM program. Specifically, we will describe 1) the theoretical underpinnings and supporting empirical literature, 2) different types of CM programs (i.e., voucher, prize), 3) effective design features, 4) most common deviations from evidence-based protocols and how to avoid them, 5) common barriers, and 6) strategies for designing your own protocol.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/new-england-attc/event/new-hampshire-alcohol-drug-abuse-counselors-association-new-england>

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- New Hampshire (NH): The New England ATTC will provide a series of short-term events in evidence-based practices for addiction treatment and recovery on topics including (but not limited to): Contingency Management Principles and Buprenorphine Waiver Training.

Leadership Development Program, Cohort 5

Description: The New England ATTC, in partnership with AdCare Educational Institute of New England and the New England PTTC, is hosting the 5th cohort of the Leadership Development Program (LDP) beginning April 28th for addiction professionals in the Region 1 New England States. The LDP will focus on key leadership skills using a range of learning methods and includes participants from all aspects of care: prevention, intervention, treatment and recovery. This 5th cohort will be held 100% virtually and has been carefully designed to maintain the interactive curriculum that is crucial to leadership development and the learning community will be as diverse as possible to represent the profession and those served.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/new-england-attc/news/leadership-development-program-cohort-5-begins-april>

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities:

- The New England ATTC will continue to offer its popular intensive TA Leadership Development Program consisting of virtual didactic training, virtual team consultation sessions, development of a learning collaborative, and ongoing external facilitation from instructors.

ATTC: Northeast and Caribbean

Northeast and Caribbean ATTC Highlights from February-March 2021

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 co-trained it's first delivery of this new course with members of the SSA training unit. The course consists of 16 hours of classroom instruction (delivered on February 9, 11, 16, and 18) and two additional hours of HW assignments. The course will be a requirement for OASAS licensed clinicians, and the NeCATTC will contribute to rollout as part of a cadre of statewide trainers that have been approved to train the course.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Training workshops on racial/ethnic cultural competence

Training Workshop on Multiple Pathways to Employment

Description: As part of a Y4 ITA initiative, The ATTC-NYAPRS Multiple Pathways to Employment Project recruited a cohort of SUD treatment providers to prepare them to assist their clients to navigate new paths toward employment (self-employment, apprenticeships, "gig economy" work). On February 11th, 2021, the foundational workshop was delivered to the cohort of providers, introducing the curriculum on economic self-sufficiency that offers tools and strategies to help providers become experts at assisting individuals to gain and maintain self-employment.

Link:

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities:

- Conduct Baseline Training

New Course: Self-Care and Wellness for ALL

Description: Behavioral health and health care settings offer a spectrum of programs including substance use, mental health, medical and recovery services. Professionals providing these supports use an array of competencies to empathize and assist persons with substance use and other psychosocial problems. Always focused on helping others, professionals can experience challenges in practicing self-care for themselves. This interactive workshop provides an opportunity for providers to review wellness practices and experience the benefits of intentional, micro-structured, self-care interventions. Learning Objectives include: Identify sites of physical tension. Describe the physical/affective impact of intentional breathing. Rate the degree of positive impact of guided meditation. Commit to one micro-structured, wellness behavior. The NeC-ATTC conducted three deliveries of this training in March.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

Northeast and Caribbean ATTC Highlights for April-May 2021

Self-Paced Course on Implicit (Unconscious) Bias for Behavioral Health Professionals.

Description: The NeC-ATTC along with the NeC-PTTC and NeC-MHTTC delivered a four-part series on acknowledging and addressing implicit (unconscious) bias in the behavioral health sector. Due to high demand, and limited capacity to replicate (the series relied on several guest speakers), we are in the process of developing the course for self-paced consumption. Specifically, audio files from the Zoom sessions are currently being synced with the slide deck, in a build out using Articulate. We expect that the final course will be ready for dissemination by the end of May.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Provide training to address implicit (unconscious) bias among providers and organizations

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 developing 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, examining GPRA data to compare access to TTA pre- and post-COVID. A full draft has been shared with the TTC virtual workgroup, final edits are now in process and it is expected that a draft of the article will be submitted for peer review by end of May 2021.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Serve as a representative of the TTC Virtual Workgroup

Technology Based Clinical Supervision Course

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 NYS. Curriculum revisions were completed in February. Pilot trainings and ToTs are scheduled as follows: Pilot 1, April 12 & 13, 9 AM - 12 PM Pilot 2, May 11 & 18, 9 AM - 12 PM ToT 1, July 8 & 9, 9 AM - 12 PM ToT 2, August 9 & 10, 9 AM - 12 PM

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Participate in State/Territory based Workgroups addressing workforce development

ATTC: Central East

Central East ATTC Highlights from February-March 2021

Practical Applications Module 1: Integrated Screening Processes (4 part series)

Description: 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: Intensive Technical Assistance, The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- The ATTC will collaborate with MATCHHS partners to co-sponsor T/TA events throughout the region, bringing SUD expertise and information

Telebehavioral Health Best Practices

Description: As clinical practices incorporate telehealth services, many wonder how the business of telehealth works. Can you make a living working full-time online as a solo provider or a large practice? How is marketing for Telemental Health, practice management, and billing different than in-person services? What kinds of telehealth services are legal and ethical during COVID and after? Learn best practices, legal and ethical requirements for the practice of Telehealth from Jay Ostrowski, one of the leading experts in Telemental Health. [This is a closed event] **LEARNING OBJECTIVES** Recognize best practices specific to Telebehavioral Health Identify the essential ingredients of a successful long-term Telemental Health or Telebehavioral Health program Identify types of legal and ethical Telemental Health services Identify online services opportunities that extend staff capabilities **PRESENTER** Jay Ostrowski, MA, LPC-S, NCC, ACS, BC-TMHPd, LCSW-C, LCADC, is an informative and entertaining trainer and expert in Telemental Health. As the CEO of Behavioral Health Innovation, he serves as a Telemental Health trainer and consultant for SAMHSA, HRSA, Universities, State governments, and healthcare organizations. He's the founder and Director of both the Telebehavioral Center of Excellence for the University of Virginia and the Board Certification in Telemental Health. He's created 9 peer-reviewed telemental health courses and designed/developed 12 telehealth software platforms to date, including Adaptive Telehealth, the most versatile telehealth software on the market. As a research partner with Harvard Medical School, Jay keeps up with the changing state license requirements for 8 healthcare professions

across all US States and DC. He also serves as the go-to person for the Mid-Atlantic Telehealth Resource Center for Telemental Health providing Telebehavioral Health training and consultations. You can connect with Jay Ostrowski on LinkedIn or through any of the above organizations. This webinar is a collaboration between the Central East ATTC and the Central East MHTTC, and the Central East PTTC.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/central-east-attc/event/telebehavioral-health-best-practices-0>

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance, The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- The ATTC will engage subject matter expert consultants as webinar presenters on topics of interest to regional partners as identified through expressed need, survey, and/or needs assessment.

Alcohol, Amphetamine and Cocaine Use Disorders: Update in African Americans During COVID-19

Description: DESCRIPTION: This webinar will discuss the impact of alcohol, cocaine, and amphetamine use during the COVID-19 pandemic. It will review the physiological effects of substance use disorders (SUD) and heightened susceptibility to COVID-19, and discuss the impact on the African American population. This session will also cover recent increases in alcohol sales and consumption, discuss available treatment options for SUD, and review myths about alcohol during the current pandemic. Download Flyer LEARNING OBJECTIVES: Describe the effects of COVID-19 on alcohol, amphetamine, and cocaine on the body Specify the impact of COVID-19 on incidence of alcohol use Discuss the risk factors for alcohol, amphetamine, and cocaine in the African American population Discuss fact vs. fiction of alcohol, amphetamine, and cocaine use disorders Summarize treatment options for alcohol, amphetamine, and cocaine use disorders WHO SHOULD ATTEND: Clinicians, caseworkers, peer recovery support staff, administrators, and others who work on behalf of adults with serious mental illnesses and or co-occurring substance use disorders impacted by COVID-19. PRESENTERS: Michael Ingram, M.D. has worked in the field of psychiatry more than 25 years. He is a Past President of the Black Psychiatrists of America, and the current Director of Behavioral Health at Great Lakes Bay Health Care. He is the former Medical Director of the Behavioral Unit at McLaren Bay Psychiatric Associates. He graduated from Michigan State University, where he received both a Bachelor's degree in Microbiology and his Medical degree from the College of Human Medicine. Dr. Ingram completed his residency training in Psychiatry at Lafayette Clinic and Wayne State University. He is board-certified in psychiatry. Dr. Ingram was recertified by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology in 2009, and accepted as a Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association (FAPA) in 2016. He is also a former Vice President of Michigan Psychiatric and Behavioral Associates, one of the largest medical groups north of metropolitan Detroit. 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 and the Central East MHTTC, and the Central East PTTC.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/central-east-attc/event/alcohol-amphetamine-and-cocaine-use-disorders-update-african>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- The ATTC will provide virtual and/or in-person training in cultural competence twice a year

Central East ATTC Highlights for April-May 2021

Presentation Development and Design Training and Technical Assistance

Description: COURSE DESCRIPTION Do your presentations inspire and influence your audiences? Do you know how to tackle tough topics and information overload? We use presentations as one of our primary strategies to share content knowledge, build skills, ignite calls to action and affect culture change. Many of us have attempted to create compelling presentations, however, most of us never receive any formal training in presentation design - despite all we expect presentations to do for us. In this three-hour virtual workshop, participants will learn practical skills to plan and deliver exceptional presentations using the tools and resources they already have. LEARNING OBJECTIVES Apply a four-step process to create brain-friendly presentations List the most common presenter mistakes and understand how to prevent them Use tools and techniques that enhance learning Increase audience engagement and participation Use and display data effectively PRESENTERS Jamie Comstock & Robin Carr Jamie Comstock and Robin Carr founded Info Inspired in 2014, after many years of designing and giving presentations with no formal training in this area, and watching their public health colleagues struggle with the same skills gap. Both are certified prevention specialists with 30 years' combined experience in the field. They've spent the last several years researching and testing ways to not only capture and hold an audience's attention, but to also inspire audiences. They've spent countless hours refining the presentation planning process, identifying free resources, and learning how to maximize the tools they already had. It's also important to know that they aren't graphic designers, artists, or especially tech savvy. Everything they do, you can do too. They've presented at the Community Anti Drug Coalitions of America's Leadership Forum, the Maine Public Health Association Annual Meeting, the New England Institute of Addiction Studies, the New England School of Best Practices, and provided training and technical assistance to non-profit organizations throughout New England. They have been featured on the Organizing for Change podcast and have an on-demand webinar available through the New England Prevention Technology Transfer Center. This is a closed event. **Link:** <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/central-east-attc/event/presentation-development-and-design-training-and-technical-0>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- The ATTC will engage subject matter expert consultants as webinar presenters on topics of interest to regional partners as identified through expressed need, survey, and/or needs assessment.

Implementing Motivational Interviewing in WV BH Provider Org - Part 1: Introduction to MI

Description: The primary purpose of this initiative is to provide training and technical assistance to Behavioral Health Provider Organizations in West Virginia in fully integrating Motivation Interviewing into administration, supervision, and the provision of programs and services. The goals of this capacity-building project are: The timely, appropriate and effective engagement of individuals and families in the public behavioral health continuum: prevention, early intervention, treatment and recovery services, and supports. Increased retention in programs and services indicated by decrease no-show rates and discontinuation rates. Increase in staff competencies in Evidenced-Based Practice of MI, operating in a supportive

organizational environment that includes clinical supervision and skill-building. Increase in staff recruitment and retention as indicated by decreased turnover, vacancy rates, and increased job satisfaction. Increase in the number of MINT trainers in West Virginia, thereby increasing the MI training capacity of the state. Motivational Interviewing is a clinical approach that helps people with mental health and substance use disorders and other chronic conditions such as diabetes, cardiovascular conditions, and asthma make positive behavioral changes to support better health. The approach upholds four principles— expressing empathy and avoiding arguing, developing discrepancy, rolling with resistance, and supporting self-efficacy (client's belief s/he can successfully make a change). Equipping the BH workforce and BH provider organizations with an EBP adaptable and responsive to the changing trends in use and treatment needs is good for those in care as well as those the individual and organizations providing care. PRESENTERS: Sky Kershner & Christine Higgins This is an invite-only event.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/central-east-attc/event/implementing-motivational-interviewing-wv-bh-provider-org-part-1>

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance, The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- The ATTC will partner with providers and state, county, or other health systems of specialized SUD services, providing intensive T/TA in the implementation of Motivational Interviewing.

The Dialogue eNewsletter May 2021

Description: This electronic newsletter is disseminated bi-monthly on the first Tuesday. You are encouraged to provide us with any feedback or submit articles and topics for discussion in future issues of the newsletter, newsletter@danyainstitute.org. Sign up to receive the Dialogue in your mailbox.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/central-east-attc/product/dialogue-enewsletter-march-2021>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- The ATTC will operationalize the annual communication plan including newsletters, periodic bulletins, website administration, social media networks, and curated emails.

ATTC: Southeast

Southeast ATTC Highlights from February-March 2021

Southeast ATTC | Contingency Management: More Carrot, Less Stick

Description: This virtual presentation is sponsored by the Southeast ATTC Regional Center and will focus on Contingency Management (CM) or Motivational Incentives is a strategy that has been proven effective as an adjunct in substance use disorder treatment. It is based on B.F Skinner's "operant conditioning". CM is designed to encourage positive behavior change in patients by providing positive reinforcement for behavior changes included in the patient's treatment plan in Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Kentucky, Mississippi, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina. CM has been proven effective in treating Methamphetamine Use Disorder (MUD). Treatment providers, peer support communities, and community-based organizations in Region 4 are encouraged to register for free. Upon completion, participants will be able to: (1) differentiate between punishment and negative reinforcement (2) Articulate at least one type of contingency management strategy (3) Discuss three ways using contingency management improves treatment outcomes ===== Ed Johnson is currently the Associate Director, Training and Technical Assistance for the Southeast Addiction Technology Transfer Center (Southeast ATTC) located at the National Center for Primary Care, Morehouse School of Medicine in Atlanta. He has over 30 years of experience providing direct services to individuals with Substance Use Disorders (SUD) and Co-Occurring Disorders. For the past 36 years, Ed has been a person in long term recovery. He is currently credentialed / licensed as a Licensed Professional Counsel (LPC), Licensed Addiction Counselor (LAC), Licensed Addiction Counselor Supervisor (LAC/S), Master Addiction Counselor (MAC), a Certified Clinical Supervisor (CCS) and Certified Peer Recovery Specialist .(CPRS).

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/southeast-attc/event/southeast-attc-contingency-management-more-carrot-less-stick>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Facilitate behavioral health trainings and learning communities

Southeast ATTC: Overstimulated Stimulant Use, Trends, and Treatments

Description: This virtual presentation is sponsored by the Southeast ATTC Regional Center and will focus on central nervous stimulants and their impact on the user's brain, body, and behavior 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. List at least three types of stimulants Describe the patterns and trends of stimulant use. Identify at least three impacts of stimulant use on people who use them. Summarize at least two specific treatment interventions that have proven effective in treating people with a stimulant use disorder. 1.5 NAADAC* CEU hrs are provided for this webinar. *National Association for Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors James E. Campbell, LPC, LAC, MAC, CACIIhas worked professionally in the human services field for over twenty-five years in a wide range of clinical settings, currently serving as the Training and Technical Assistance Manager for Southeast Addiction Technology Transfer Center. His passion is helping individuals and families heal and build on the strengths they possess. He's a member of both NAADAC and ACA and is a past president of APSC/SCAADAC. James is nationally recognized author and speaker.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/southeast-attc/event/southeast-attc-overstimulated-stimulant-use-trends-and-treatments>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Facilitate behavioral health trainings and learning communities

Southeast ATTC | New Faith Product: The Experience of Spirituality in Recovery

Description: We are excited to release one of the newest products under our strategic faith initiative "Let's Have the Conversation: One Voice, One Mission"! Strategic Initiative Mission Dialogue and strengthen the substance use disorder knowledge for people working in communities of faith. Teach communities of faith how to be a catalyst for change in their communities. Teach faith communities how to spark the conversation that "recovery is real, and treatment does work" Bridge the gap between faith systems and community providers. Empower faith communities to reduce the stigma associated with substance use disorders. Provide measurable results for our target population. Build capacity associated with substance use disorders that will aid in creating powerful and sustainable recovery ministries. Promote access to services and resources that will empower communities and their partners in addiction. The SATTTC will help Faith Leaders create a welcoming and supportive environment. About the product: 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. This Issue Brief #2 looks beyond the evidence to the human experience of spirituality as it has been described in the science-based literature on substance use disorders and recovery. Download Issue Brief #1 [HERE](#). View NOW

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/southeast-attc/news/southeast-attc-new-faith-product-experience-spirituality-recovery>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- SUD webinars exclusively for communities of Faith

Southeast ATTC Highlights for April-May 2021

Southeast ATTC | Priority to Practice - A Faith and Recovery

Description: This virtual presentation is sponsored by the Southeast ATTC Regional Center and will focus on the innovative ways that Tennessee has approached partnering with the faith-based community to combat addiction and mental health issues. The approach is to help the faith-based community volunteers build recovery support services/ministry work by using a best practice model that directly connects them with state and local initiatives. The goal is to build more recovery-conducive communities utilizing natural/organic resources in Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Kentucky, Mississippi, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina. Mental Health Specialists, Addiction Specialists, treatment providers, peer support communities, and faith community-based organizations in Region 4 are encouraged to register for free. Identify two practical steps that were taken in Tennessee to partner with faith communities related to substance use and mental health recovery Verbalize two different stakeholders in their community Articulate one step they can take to help draw upon organic community supports in supporting recovery Monty Burks, CPRS, PLC, PhD, serves as the Director of Faith-Based Initiatives for the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, where his role is engaging and connecting Tennessee's faith

communities to the behavioral health care system, with the goal of expanding addiction and mental health support services across the state. He also oversees the Tennessee Lifeline Peer Project, a state program aimed at reducing the stigma associated with people who suffer from addiction, and the Tennessee Faith-Based Community Coordinators, who seek to help congregations build their capacity to combat addiction and mental health issues in their respective community. Dr. Burks earned his master's degree in criminal justice from Middle Tennessee State University, his Doctorate in theology from Heritage, and wears the honorable badge of Certified Peer Recovery Specialist. Burks has more than 20 years experience working with the criminal justice system in various roles, including adjunct criminal justice professor at Motlow State Community College, Criminal Justice Student Research Analyst at Middle Tennessee State University, and Criminal Justice Program coordinator at adjunct professor at Tennessee State University.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/southeast-attc/event/southeast-attc-priority-practice-faith-and-recovery>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- SUD webinars exclusively for communities of Faith

Southeast ATTC | Logo Therapy: Helping Clients Turn Life Pain into Purpose In Recovery

Description: This virtual presentation is sponsored by the Southeast ATTC Regional Center and will focus on Logo Therapy was developed by the renowned Psychiatrist and Holocaust survivor Victor Frankl. Logo Therapy is a form of psychotherapy which emphasizes meaning and purpose. In this presentation, you will learn strategies from Logo Therapy to help clients turn life pain into a life purpose in recovery 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. Topics covered include: the 11 things that give life meaning; helping clients answer the question, Why did I survive my addiction?; helping clients turn adversity into a cause; helping clients create a vision in recovery which does not include the use of alcohol and other drugs; 10 Logo Therapy exercises; helping clients achieve life purpose in recovery. · Define Logo Therapy · Articulate the 11 things which give life meaning. · Utilize 10 Logo Therapy exercises in your work with clients. · Help clients turn life pain into a life purpose in recovery. 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-logo-therapy-helping-clients-turn-life-pain-purpose>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Facilitate behavioral health trainings and learning communities

Southeast ATTC Ask the Expert | April Dialogue: Mental Health for Women of Color In Recovery

Description: This virtual dialogue was sponsored by the Southeast ATTC Regional Center and focused on dealing with trauma, communication, emotion regulation, and self-care in Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Kentucky, Mississippi, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina. 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. 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.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/southeast-attc/event/southeast-attc-ask-expert-april-dialogue-mental-health-women-color>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Tangible Products, White Paper, Tool kit

ATTC: Great Lakes

Great Lakes ATTC Highlights from February-March 2021

Motivational Interviewing Foundation: Technical Skills

Description: The Great Lakes ATTC, in collaboration with the Great Lakes MHTTC, provided Motivational Interviewing Foundation: Technical Skills virtually over three sessions in February 2021. Motivational Interviewing (MI) is an evidence-based practice used to help people overcome their ambivalence about change. In this interactive, skills-based workshop, participants learned about and practiced the spirit of MI and both the relational and technical skills. This training was led by Laura A. Saunders, MSSW, Wisconsin State Project Manager for the Great Lakes Addiction, Mental Health and Prevention Technology Transfer Centers. Laura is also an expert Motivational Interviewing Network of Trainers (MINT) trainer.

Link:

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- Teach MI techniques and other psychosocial interventions in Region 5

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

Description: The Great Lakes ATTC hosted 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 examined these new opportunities and “how to get there.” Presenter: 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.

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

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 April-May 2021

Forensic Peer Recovery Training

Description: The Great Lakes ATTC will host the virtual training Forensic Peer Recovery Training Spring 2021. This course is designed to prepare the Peer Recovery workforce to respond to the unique needs of individuals in prisons and reentry citizens. Presenter: Jami Freeman, MA, currently a PhD Student, a Culturally Responsive Speaker, Advocate & Psycho-Social Educator, Recovery Coach & Instructor.

Link:

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- Develop protocols and provide training for clinical care for those with opioid disorders

CLAS Matters

Description: The Great Lakes ATTC is offering the training CLAS Matters virtually in April 2021. This interactive training will help participants learn about the National Standards for Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services (CLAS), and how they can be implemented to improve culturally-informed care, reduce racial and ethnic disparities, and advance equity and inclusion in behavioral health care. Alfredo Cerrato, Senior Cultural and Workforce Development Officer for the Great Lakes Mental Health, Addiction, and Prevention Technology Transfer Centers will be providing the training.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/great-lakes-attc/event/clas-matters-0>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Develop & deliver quarterly cultural competence webinars using subject matter experts

SBIRT Training

Description: The Great Lakes ATTC will be providing the training Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) virtually in May 2021. SBIRT is an evidence-based method for reducing harm and improving outcomes for patients with substance use disorders. This SBIRT training will prepare participants to deliver SBIRT interventions in health care and other settings. In this interactive two-part training, participants will learn about and practice using screening tools, administering and interpreting assessments, giving feedback and making recommendations, including recommending treatment. Laura A. Saunders, MSSW, the Wisconsin State Project Manager for the Great Lakes Addiction, Mental Health and Prevention Technology Transfer Centers, will provide the training.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/great-lakes-attc/event/screening-brief-intervention-and-referral-treatment-sbirt-workshop-0>

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- Develop/promote pre- and post SBIRT training technical support

ATTC: South Southwest

South Southwest ATTC Highlights from February-March 2021

Cultural Elements for Hispanic and Latino Populations Training

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

Link: [N/A](#)

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Offer Cultural Elements for Hispanic/Latinos Trainings

Mindfulness for Latinas for HHS Region 6

Description: Webinar developed in response to a need identified in Region 6 to provide professionals in Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas with mindfulness practices that may be incorporated into treatment to help improve the health outcomes in underrepresented communities, such as the Latina population. March 17, 2021.

Link: [N/A](#)

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Offer Mindfulness and Dealing with Stress Virtual Sessions for Hispanic/Latinos Populations Trainings in Region 6

Region 6 Peer Leadership Council

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

Link: [N/A](#)

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Facilitate implementation of Region 6 Peer Leadership Council with representation of peer leadership from all five states

South Southwest ATTC Highlights for April-May 2021

SSW ATTC Annual Advisory Board Meeting

Description: SSW ATTC Advisory Board Meeting with focus areas including state and tribal updates on substance use needs, trends, and responses within the region, self-care and resilience strategies and promoting African American equity. Virtual event on April 14 – 16, 2021.

Link: [N/A](#)

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Convene stakeholders in Advisory Board annual meeting and workgroups

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 for behavioral health counselors in Region 6. March 31- May 26, 2021

Link: <https://www.nfartec.org/courses/sbvc-region-641/#main>

Related Topics: None

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

Program Evaluation Support of Tribal AOD initiatives

Description: SSW ATTC's Educational Consortium partner New Mexico Highlands University is working with a Navajo tribal government to promote indigenous research methodology and evaluation of existing AOD initiatives by tribal program personnel.

Link: [N/A](#)

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Recruit one (1) New Mexico Highlands University social work student to work with tribal government to promote indigenous research methodology and evaluation of existing AOD initiatives by tribal program personnel.

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

Description: After gathering qualitative data surrounding overdose response practices of first responders in the western MO region, our team identified one of the primary barriers to implementing evidence-based practices in overdose response is stigma. Part of the root is the lack of a feedback loop on what happens to clients who are revived by Narcan. Responders are finding a disconnect in knowledge of if the clients stay in treatment vs why some are seen overdosing again. We have developed a presentation that has a Peer Support Specialist as the lead. By describing her start of substance use and her journey to recovery, and including data on addiction on the brain, and stigma prevalence, this presentation hopes to provide the audience with the full circle response in order to improve understanding on what happens after they interact with a client who overdoses. This will be presented as a 1-1.5 hour virtual or in person training if appropriate safety measures are taken.

Link: [pending](#)

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities: None

Advanced Medical Interpreting in Mental Health Settings

Description: This 3.5-hour advanced medical interpreting course, was conducted on Saturday, March 13th from 9:00 – 12:45CT. It was designed for all language groups, provided an overview of terminology and skills in delivering mental health and SUD interpretation services. This course focused on common mental health disorders, treatment, medication management and practical skills in interpreting for either ambulatory or inpatient mental health patients. It offered the medical interpreter opportunities to practice using terminology through the use of case scenarios. A secondary focus of the course was to describe stressors for refugees and immigrants that may lead to mental health disorders.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/mid-america-attc/event/advanced-medical-interpreting-mental-health-settings>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

BHMEDS R-3 Behavioral Health Medications

Description: This product/publication is now available as a downloadable PDF and replicates the content included in the new BHMEDS-R3 app now available in the Apple App Store and Google Play. Back by popular demand, this 10th Edition publication is acclaimed for its accessibility as an educational reference for addiction professionals, patients, and families. Educators and addiction counselor training programs across the United States have asked that we continue to update and publish a downloadable publication to reflect the same credible and up-to-date information included in the BHMEDS-R3 app.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/mid-america-attc/product/bhmeds-r3-behavioral-health-medications>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Launch no-cost, re-engineered BHMEDS - R3 app in Google Play and iTunes stores.

Mid-America ATTC Highlights for April-May 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: [pending](#)

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- Facilitate meetings and process improvement between organizations in KCK

Traumatic Brain Injury and SUD

Description: The Mountain Plains and Mid-America Addiction Technology Transfer Centers (ATTCs) are partnering with the National Association of State Head Injury Administrators (NASHIA) to present seven virtual trainings focused on the significant intersection between brain injury and addiction. The trainings consist of an introductory session followed by five special topic webinars that include the intersection of brain injury with addictions, intimate partner violence, suicide, as well as special considerations for individual and group therapy. The final session will be focused on the introduction of a Toolkit on brain injury and addictions. The series launched on March 24th. All sessions will be 90 minutes in length and begin at 10:30am MT/ 11:30am CT/ 12:30pm EST.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/mid-america-attc/event/traumatic-brain-injury-sud-suicide>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

Missouri's First Annual Peer Summit

Description: The Missouri Recovery Network (MRN) sponsored an annual state-wide peer specialist conference for over 10 years. The organization closed its' business and recovery community organization in 2020 after losing support from state of Missouri. To address this void of peer voices and representation, the Missouri Recovery Alliance (MRA) was formed and will be 100% peer run. The MRA will host its First Annual Peer Summit on May 6-7, 2021. Mid-America ATTC agreed to be a sponsor and will provide break-out sessions and monetary support. The conference registration is free and open to all interested.

Link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/first-annual-peer-summit-hosted-by-the-missouri-recovery-alliance-tickets-130968519367>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Support and provide speakers for conference

ATTC: Mountain Plains

Mountain Plains ATTC Highlights from February-March 2021

RURAL INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE SURVIVORS AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS: IMPLICATIONS FOR SUD TREATMENT AND RECOVERY PROVIDERS

Description: This document was developed by the Mountain Plains to serve as a primer for providers of substance use disorder (SUD) treatment services to gain a deeper understanding of the intersection of intimate partner violence (IPV) and SUDs. It provides background information on IPV, describes how IPV and SUDs intersect, suggests how providers may integrate screening for IPV into their practice, provides suggestions for brief intervention with survivors, suggests further practice recommendations, and highlights multiple resources for further information on the subject matter. The material underscores the unique dynamics of working with survivors residing in rural areas and presents a case scenario of a woman living in a rural community with recommendations that are based on the limitations of available resources in rural areas. The document is accessible for download from the Mountain Plains products webpage.

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

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

STIMULANTS AND THEIR IMPACT ON BRAIN AND BEHAVIOR 3-Part Webinar Series

Description: Mountain Plains adapted a three-part webinar series on Stimulants and their Impact on Brain and Behavior based on the curriculum developed by representatives from regional ATTCs and led by the ATTC Network Coordinating Office, titled Stimulants and their Impact on Brain and Behavior: Best Practices and Approaches for Effective Treatment and Recovery. According to the 2019 National Survey on Drug Use and Health, almost 10% of people aged 12 or older in Region 8 had a substance use disorder in the past year, which is higher than the national average. In addition, data from this survey show that 403,000 people in the Region had an illicit drug use disorder, with stimulants, opioids, and cannabis named as three of the major illicit drugs used. Certainly, stimulant use (especially methamphetamine) rates are increasing nationally as well as in Region 8. The Mountain Plains adapted webinar series included Part 1: Stimulants: What are they and who uses them? (March 9, 2021); Part 2: Impact of Stimulant Use on the Brain and Body (March 16, 2021); and Part 3: Effective Treatment Approaches and Recovery Supports, (March 23, 2021). These events will be recorded and accessible for download from the Mountain Plains ATTC products webpage.

Link: <https://mailchi.mp/casat/final-reminder-register-for-telebehavioral-health-group-service-delivery-13388948?e=aaa11b9dd6>

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

HARM REDUCTION 3-PART WEBINAR SERIES

Description: Mountain Plains developed a three-part webinar series on Harm Reduction beginning on March 30, 2021 and continuing April 13 & April 27, 2021. The series focuses on the principles of harm reduction and its strategies to advance holistic services for individuals with substance use disorder (SUDs). Research indicates that harm reduction programs are evidence-based public health strategies designed to prevent overdose deaths, infectious disease, sexually transmitted infections, pregnancies, and injection drug use. For example, expanding access to naloxone for individuals using opioids is considered a harm reduction strategy. Specifically, this webinar series will include: Session 1: An overview of the principles of harm reduction and their application in a harm reduction center; Session 2: The importance of engaging law enforcement especially in rural areas and co-responder models; and Session 3: A panel of experts discussing their expertise in offering harm reduction strategies in their service delivery as well as a consumer of harm reduction services. These events will be recorded and accessible for download from the Mountain Plains ATTC products webpage.

Link: <https://mailchi.mp/casat/harm-reduction-training?e=aaa11b9dd6>

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

Mountain Plains ATTC Highlights for April-May 2021

MOTIVATIONAL INTERVIEWING INDIVIDUAL COACHING

Description: The Mountain Plains developed a Motivational Interviewing (MI) Individual Coaching protocol to enhance practitioners' skills and confidence in providing motivational strategies through individualized coaching. This opportunity will provide Coaching in specific MI approaches and will be offered to all participants completing the Mountain Plains' Motivational Interviewing–Into Practice Enhanced Professional Learning Series. Basic MI concepts and skills to resolve ambivalence and conduct intentional conversations about change will be featured. This series of coaching is intended to help build confidence and practical MI knowledge and skills to support and address the behavioral factors impacting client change. Participants will be invited to participate in 3 coaching sessions and will complete a pre- assessment to determine individualized coaching topics. Most sessions are individual, however, participants can be grouped in pairs or trios for effective interaction if preferred. Coaches have extensive experience in training and MI clinical skills. The MI Individual Coaching will be piloted beginning in April 2021.

Link:

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities:

- 3.2.a Create a CoP curriculum; 3.2.b Provide post-EPL support to develop CoP

PERINATAL STIGMA PROMPT AND REMINDER POSTER

Description: The Mountain Plains developed two new Prompt & Reminder Posters on the topic of Perinatal Stigma. Recent research on implementation science highlights the importance of

understanding the practical strategies that support uptake of new practices and adoption of evidence-based practices (EBP) by clinicians. For example, placing reminders or prompts in the practice setting where the clinician can easily see them provides timely cues that reinforce use of the EBPs [See Cullen & Adams, 2012; Leathers, 2016; Sholomskas et al., 2005]. Stigma associated with substance use disorders (SUDs) is a significant barrier to detection and treatment efforts. Persons with SUDs who are pregnant and/or parenting are particularly impacted by stigma and experience many different forms of stigma and adverse encounters when seeking healthcare services. To help address barriers associated with perinatal stigma, the Mountain Plains developed two posters both clinician and client focused. These posters will be available for download in multiple formats directly from the MPATTC products webpage for in-house printing as 11x17 for display, 8.5x11 desk copy or hard copies may be requested and mailed at no cost within the continental US. It is recommend displaying the posters in locations visible to both clients and clinicians.

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

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

New Ethical Dilemmas: Developing Professional Competency in the Digital Age Webinar & EPL Series

Description: On April 1, 2021, the Mountain Plains ATTC will offer a 90-minute webinar providing an overview of common ethical dilemmas that behavioral health providers face related to technology, such as social network sites, videoconferencing, web-based search engines, blogs, online practitioners' reviews, etc. Case scenarios will be used to highlight these dilemmas and encourage discussions among participants related to: 1) the use of social networking sites by clinical supervisors, providers, and clients; 2) posting comments or pictures online that may violate privacy and security or disparage the profession; 3) emailing, texting and utilizing video conferencing with clients; 4) conducting Internet searches on clients; 5) social media policy dos and don'ts from practitioner and organizational perspectives; and 6) recent rulings and new state laws that may impact an organization's social media policy for employees. This webinar will provide an introduction to the New Ethical Dilemmas: Developing Professional Competency in the Digital Age Enhanced Professional Learning Series that will be offered every Wednesday, April 14 – May 26, 2021. This 7-week online learning series takes a deeper dive into the topics introduced in the webinar and will provide 15 hours of instruction, learning activities, and self-study as well as interactive discussions/activities, videos, feedback, and articles.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/mountain-plains-attc/event/new-ethical-dilemmas-developing-professional-competency-0>

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)

ATTC: Pacific Southwest

Pacific Southwest ATTC Highlights from February-March 2021

2021 OPII Cohort Virtual Change Facilitator Academy

Description: On February 23, 2021, the Pacific Southwest ATTC launched an intensive Change Facilitator Academy for the 2021 OPII cohort. The eight-part live virtual Academy featured a total of 21 hours of content spread across five consecutive weeks. Following the Academy, the 10 participating agency change teams will each 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 and frequently 1:1 coaching sessions to provide opportunities for continued learning (beyond the Academy) and shared learning, interaction, and cross-agency support and collaboration.

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

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities:

- Deliver five-week virtual Change Facilitator Academy

ASAM Criteria SMS Text Message Learning Extender Launch

Description: On February 16, 2021, the Pacific Southwest ATTC expanded the use of SMS text message learning extenders for sequenced learning efforts by launching a new 11-week series of ASAM Criteria-specific learning extenders that are now routinely offered in conjunction with intermediate-level (ASAM Criteria: Documentation and Other Procedures (ASAM-B)) training conducted throughout Region 9. A total of three ASAM-B trainings were held in February 2021, and approximately 40 percent of attendees in each session opted in to receive the text messages.

Link: <http://psattc.org>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Incorporate SMS text messaging learning extender platform as part of synchronous learning opportunities

Intensive Training and Clinical Consultation to Support Hawaii CARES Implementation

Description: On March 3 2021, the Pacific Southwest ATTC launched 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 supports 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 are focused on 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 fully 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:

- Provide training, ongoing consultation, and support for implementing an integrated statewide crisis/behavioral health service referral/COVID-19 call center

Pacific Southwest ATTC Highlights for April-May 2021

2021 OPII Cohort Monthly Community of Practice Zoom Sessions

Description: Starting on April 29, 2021, the Pacific Southwest ATTC will launch monthly Community of Practice (CoP) Zoom sessions for the 10 participating agencies in the 2021 OPII Cohort. Each month, the Pacific Southwest ATTC team, led by Michael Shafer, Beth Rutkowski, and Dennis Skinner (consultant) will facilitate the hour-long sessions, which will combine “Spark Sessions” to deliver new change facilitation content to deepen the learning that started in the five-week Change Facilitator Academy, Miro support, and agency-level progress reports and group discussions.

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

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities:

- Provide ongoing, intensive change facilitation coaching and mentoring over the course of 9-12 months

Stimulant Workshop at Annual ASAM Conference

Description: On April 22, 2021, Beth Rutkowski and Thomas Freese will represent the ATTC Stimulant Workgroup and present a “focus session” workshop entitled, Stimulant Use: Current Trends, Impact on the Brain and Body, and Implications for Treatment, at the 2021 American Society of Addiction Medicine virtual annual conference. At the conclusion of the conference workshop, participants from across the U.S. will be able to identify three specific national patterns and trends in stimulant use, recall at least three short-term and long-term physical or psychological effects of stimulant use, and apply at least two specific behavioral treatment interventions that have been proven effective in treating people with a stimulant use disorder.

Link: <https://www.asam.org/education/2021-annual-conference>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Participate in and Co-Chair Stimulant Work Group and lead the development of Stimulant 101 National Core Curriculum Training Package

Motivational Interviewing into Practice (MI-IP) Enhanced Professional Learning (EPL) Series

Description: Beginning April 6, 2021, the Pacific Southwest ATTC will launch an eight-week EPL entitled Motivational Interviewing into Practice. The EPL interactive series will cover a variety of topics and provide frequent skills practice opportunities essential to the development and/or refinement of motivational interviewing-related techniques and relational style. Throughout the interactive learning series, emphasis will be placed on the intentional use of MI skills to identify a change goal, resolve ambivalence, and increase motivation for change. The weekly sessions will be held on the same day and time each week. Recruitment will be targeted

to individuals based in Region 9 who attended a live virtual Introduction to Motivational Interviewing training offered in fall-winter 2020-21. Enrollment will be limited to 40 individuals from across the Region. Individuals who complete the MI-IP EPL will have the opportunity to participate in MI on the Fly consultation sessions that will launch in 2021 as part of the Pacific Southwest ATTC's connected learning activities to support implementation of evidence-based practices.

Link: <http://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

Clinical Demonstration Videos

Description: The Clinical EBP Demonstration Video Series made in collaboration with the Pacific Southwest and the Washington Behavioral Health Institute demonstrates how a diverse set of clinical practitioners make use of evidenced based practices (EBP) in a telehealth environment. The impetus for these videos came from a provider survey and our organization partners who identified "Clinical Demonstration" as a needed product, especially with the recent pivot toward telehealth. The series follows "Shawn Adams," a 49-year-old mock client who has a polysubstance use disorder that includes opioids and marijuana. The onset of his opioid use disorder followed a bicycle accident where he injured his back and became dependent on pain medication. As a result, he lost his job and house and experiences significant depression and grief. Shawn is a treatment-naïve person and is receiving SUD services for the first time. The demonstrations follow a client through a course of substance use disorder care, starting with a crisis, admission to IOP treatment, and a recurrence of use in outpatient treatment, and ending with connecting to a recovery coach for long term planning. Each video will demonstrate an evidence based practice used at different points in the client's care. The following EBPs are demonstrated: 1) Brief Interventions; 2) Cognitive Behavioral Therapy; 3) Motivational Interviewing; 4) CBT and MI; and 4) Mindfulness Based Relapse Prevention.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/northwest-attc/clinical-ebp-demonstration-video-series>

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- Telehealth Clinical Demonstration Videos

Wellness and Stress Reduction Course

Description: Northwest ATTC staff have developed a four-part wellness and stress reduction series designed to provide participants with hands on opportunities to practice evidence-based strategies for reducing stress. The behavioral health workforce report experiencing significant stress given our current environment. And while educational opportunities to learn about self-care, wellness, and stress reduction are abundant we wanted to create a series that would offer participants the opportunity to practice these strategies and walk away with a decrease in their stress level. This four-part series offers participants an opportunity to connect with a small group of colleagues and engage in a variety of stress reducing strategies (laughter, social connection, creativity, gratitude). The series was piloted in March.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities: None

Addressing Stimulant Use Disorder: An Overview of Treatment Approaches, including Contingency Management

Description: In March, Northwest ATTC held a workshop on addressing stimulant use disorder for clinicians working within the statewide Opioid Treatment Network and Hub & Spoke programs in Washington State. This workshop is based on the ATTC Network's Stimulant 101 National Core Curriculum, customized for this audience. The workshop offered an overview of how and why stimulants impact the brain and body as well as approaches for supporting people in changing their stimulant use. Multiple treatment approaches that can help clients reduce or quit stimulants were addressed, including Motivational Interviewing, Community Reinforcement

Approach (CRA) as well as basic principles and practices of Contingency Management (CM).

Link:

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

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

Northwest ATTC Highlights for April-May 2021

Focus on Problem Gambling – Promoting Awareness Regionally

Description: The Northwest ATTC used its e-newsletters and other communication channels to help promote Problem Gambling Awareness Month in March. Next up are plans to further increase understanding of this topic through a regionally offered virtual workshop on problem gambling to be delivered in May. The Northwest ATTC is partnering with the Evergreen Council on Problem Gambling to plan and deliver this event. The workshop will offer a basic understanding about gambling, problem gambling, and gambling disorder. The aim is to show how problem gambling relates to other co-occurring disorders as well as why clinicians should care about it in their work. Tips for using gambling screening tools, including best practices on how to complete gambling screens and make referrals to treatment will be covered in this regional workshop.

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.

Trauma-Informed Care Intensive TA for Akeela, Inc.

Description: In March, the Northwest ATTC launched a series of monthly follow-up sessions as part of its intensive technical assistance project with Akeela, Inc. This next phase involves facilitated sessions with a small team of organizational leaders. A trauma-informed specialist will share tools for incorporating practices supportive of a trauma-informed culture. A team of in-house champions will help impart these skills organizationally with other senior managers. These sessions offer a more intensive engagement for leaders, and follow the second of a two-part workshop that was delivered in February to all fourteen of the leadership team members. The principal goal of this second phase is to support leadership in adopting tools that can be helpful to disseminate trauma-informed practices within the organization.

Link:

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities:

- Strengthening Trauma-informed responsiveness at Akeela

Talking to Change: A Motivational Interviewing Podcast

Description: The Northwest ATTC is continuing its partnership with Glenn Hinds and Sebastian Kaplan to support and disseminate their Talking to Change: MI Podcast. This podcast is a series of conversations exploring Motivational Interviewing (MI) and its influence on supporting individuals and groups as they make positive health and lifestyle changes. Guests from across the world discuss their special interest in the research, practice and learning of MI along with its place across health, social care, education and criminal justice. Forty episodes of this one-hour podcast have been made available on the Northwest ATTC website, with a new episode releasing monthly going forward. Recent episodes have addressed the use of MI with youth who are HIV+, people who are experiencing homelessness, and people experiencing COVID vaccine hesitancy, as well as different cultural factors that can impact MI approaches around the world, like in Puerto Rico and South Africa.

Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/northwest-attc/talking-change-mi-podcast>

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Collaboration with Motivational Interviewing Network of Trainers (MINT) members to produce MI-themed podcasts for viewing by behavioral health workforce.

ATTC: American Indian Alaska Native

American Indian Alaska Native ATTC Highlights from February-March 2021

Alcohol and Drug Certification Exam training

Description: Completed April 1, we were able to offer our 2nd Virtual Alcohol/ Drug Certification Exam preparation course. This 4-day course covered a comprehensive range of targeted curricula aimed at assisting Native treatment providers prepare for taking and passing their state's respective certification exam. The training was led by our Co-Director, Sean Bear. This was only the second time it was attempted virtually and we were able to make some updates and modifications based on what we learned from our first attempt using a virtual platform. Thanks to all those who participated in this important event.

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:

- Continue to Offer Training of Trainers on the Alcohol and Drug Review Course, the Native Clinical Supervision Curriculum, and on the use of Native American Cultural Sensitivity Training

Winter Living Series

Description: This unique winter months six part series presented by the National AI/AN ATTC, provides the viewers with an opportunity to discuss strength-based cultural practices and teachings to our peers, friends, and relatives. The topics included Winter Ceremony, Singing/ Spirituality, Family Storytelling, Hunting, Beading, Preparing Medicines, Being Good Relatives, Building Relationships with Everything Around Us, Healing, Sharing, Giving, and Keeping the Fire Lit. From the beginning of its inception our group of Native Panelists hope was to offer a safe and supportive venue to help guide participants through the increasing stress and anxiety connected to ongoing infection rates, illnesses, and deaths related to COVID-19 that we anticipated were coming the coming months. "A stark and troubling time indeed, but we will persevere, The Light will greet us in Springtime, and the better days to come..." quote from a Navajo Elder on our panelists.

Link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgol2Ma-kcD9caCrXISHQ4Q/featured>

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities:

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

ATTC Year in Review 2020, Winter Newsletter, and a Healing Tool NA Resource Guide

Description: ATTC End of Year Report 2020 Publication Date: February 12, 2021 Developed By: National American Indian and Alaska Native ATTC Link:

<https://attcnetwork.org/centers/national-american-indian-and-alaska-native-attc/news/see-our-new-2020-year-review> Addressing Addiction in Our Native American Communities: Volume 7 Issue 1 - Pathways to Recover from Meth Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/national-american-indian-and-alaska-native-attc/news/check-out-our-most-recent-newsletter>

Healing Tool: Guide for addressing behavioral health goals in Native communities Publication Date: March 18, 2021 Developed By: National American Indian and Alaska Native ATTC Link:

<https://attcnetwork.org/sites/default/files/2021-03/web%20version%20->

%20TOR%20healing%20tool.pdf

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

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Create an annual end of the year report for NATTC activities

American Indian Alaska Native ATTC Highlights for April-May 2021

Culturally Adapted Clinical Supervision

Description: Clinical Supervision training 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. This important training event will likely be featured in a 2-part Behavioral Health Webinar Series on our ATTC virtual broadcasting network in the coming months. It will feature a host of Native American presenters as well as Non-Native presenters addressing issues surrounding clinical supervision or supervisee of Native American Behavioral Health professionals. Stay tuned for this announcement on our ATTC website and list serve of featured events.

Link:

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance

Related Workplan Activities:

- The Advisory Council will participate in a development of specific strategies for using culturally informed TA methods, including a literature review and key stakeholder interviews

Post-Pandemic Peer Supported Virtual Events

Description: In the coming months our ATTC team will continue to broadcast live zoom-based two of our most popular and successful events on a now monthly basis. The Virtual Native Talking Circle hosted by the National AI/AN ATTC and facilitated by Mr. Fred Little Bald Eagle broadcasting live from Rosebud, SD. This long running series started in April of 2020, will continue into the foreseeable future 2021. A here and now format, this cultural event based on traditional concepts of Native Talking Circles, is unrecorded to promote open sharing between peers, colleagues, and providers working in the helping professions. It runs 1230-2pm CST, second Monday of every month. Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/national-american-indian-and-alaska-native-attc/event/virtual-native-talking-circles-3> The Virtual Native Storytelling hour hosted by the national AI/AN ATTC and facilitated by various Native guest storytellers from tribal communities all around the US. The series began in July of 2020 and has continued to broadcast regularly to present. During the course of this event five different storytellers, representing various tribes, have been featured every two months. It runs 2-3pm CST, second Tuesday of every month. Link: <https://attcnetwork.org/centers/national-american-indian-and-alaska-native-attc/event/native-american-storytelling-9> Our aim is to continue to provide these important culturally-based, supportive events to Native American/ Non-Native American professionals, direct providers, administrators, peers, colleagues, and family member impacted by COVID-19. These events have proven to offer a venue for wellness, healing and preventative measures for all of our participants.

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

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

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

Leadership Academy

Description: The AI/AN Leadership Academy will continue monthly trainings for the mentors and mentees in the fourth annual cohort. In March, Roy Pack spoke to the group about “Program Development and Evaluation: Simple Tools to Program Development, Goals, Outcomes and Evaluation”. We are continuing to host talking circles for mentors and mentees, an addition made to the program in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. In April/May, we will continue to discuss the mentee projects, focusing on program development and enhancement to improve behavioral health services in Native communities.

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

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Begin implementation of the 2021 Leadership Academy

ATTC: National Hispanic Latino

National Hispanic Latino ATTC Highlights from February-March 2021

Technical Assistance

Description: We received two TA requests in February. The first request is a review of a recently translated (into Spanish) Peer Support Worker Curriculum. This work is underway and we hope to move to the next portion, which is a cultural review of the program. The second request is for Spanish resources for members of clergy interested in getting trained on SUD topics. For this request we will also be providing a list of potential bilingual/bicultural facilitators for a full day training.

Link:

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance, The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- Based on specific requests from providers, community-based organizations, agencies, etc we will deliver 2 technical assistance events focused on improving service delivery for those serving Hispanic/Latino communities.

NAADAC

Description: Throughout the month of March we delivered a 4-part Spanish Language Virtual Learning Series (VLS) in partnership with NAADAC. This live VLS focused on the importance of clinical supervision. Our presenters were Dr. Pierluigi Mancini (ATTC Director) and Ana Vizoso (Consultant and Leadership Academy Alumni). Each of the four sessions drew an audience of over 150 individuals and was well received. The recorded sessions can be accessed on the NAADAC website.

Link:

Related Topics: None

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.

NHMA

Description: In March we had the honor of presenting at the National Hispanic Medical Association's virtual conference. Our ATTC Director (Dr. Pierluigi Mancini), NLBHA's Executive Director (Fred Sandoval, MPA) and NLBHA's Board President (Dr. Ruben Lozano) presented to a variety of national association members on the work we do at the ATTC, PTTC and NLBHA. Our staff also hosted a virtual booth throughout the conference.

Link:

Related Topics: The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- The ATTC will continue to personally reach out to association groups to build collaboration

National Hispanic Latino ATTC Highlights for April-May 2021

Conference

Description: In April we will launch our long-awaited website for our National Hispanic and Latino Behavioral Health Conference. During the month of April we also plan to launch registration and a Call for Proposals. This virtual conference is scheduled for September 16th and 17th.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Our ATTC will inform the community of the virtual conference, will invite people to register and attend, invite proposals for training workshops, and invite exhibitors for the conference

NatCon21

Description: Our ATTC will be presenting two workshops at this year's NatCon Virtual Conference May 3rd through 5th. Dr. Pierluigi will present their very first Spanish-language workshop on Culturally and Linguistically appropriate supervision for bilingual/bicultural providers. NLBHA's Executive Director (Fred Sandoval, MPA), OMH Staff Member (Juliet Bui, MSW, MPA) and ATTC Consultant (Marilyn Sampilo, PhD, MPH) will present as a panel on the Business Case for Implementing the CLAS Standards.

Link:

Related Topics: None

Related Workplan Activities:

- Based on specific requests from providers, community-based organizations, agencies, etc we will deliver 2 technical assistance events focused on improving service delivery for those serving Hispanic/Latino communities.

Training for Ventanillas de Salud

Description: We are continuing our relationship with the Ventanillas de Salud programs (embedded in all 50 states sponsored by the Mexican Consulate). Last summer we presented to them on the spectrum of SUD prevention through treatment and recovery for Latino communities. This year they have requested a 90-minute Spanish-language training session on domestic violence, SUD and the Latino community. This will be delivered sometime in late May.

Link:

Related Topics: Intensive Technical Assistance, The Opioid Epidemic

Related Workplan Activities:

- When we work with Providers/Community Groups we will offer on-going technical assistance as a part of the follow up for requested in-person training events.

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