TTA Evaluators Special Interest Group  **January 24, 2024**

**Meeting Notes**

**In attendance:** Kim Magoon (Region 1 – New England); Sean Karyczak (Region 2 – Northeast and Caribbean); Grace McManus (Region 3 – Central East); Nicole Schoenborn (Region 6 – South Southwest); Azra Helac (Region 8 – Mountain Plains); Carina Rivera, Chidinma Ogojiaku, and Kristi Silva (Region 9 – Pacific Southwest); Jon Olson (Region 10 – Northwest); Courtney McCusker (AAAP); Ricky Canelo (MHTTC NCO), Alex Barajas-Munoz, Ashley Helle, and Akshat Gandhi (ATTC NCO), Rachel Witmer and Brizhana Ricks (PTTC NCO).

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| **Topic** | **Notes** | **Action Items**  |
| **Welcome and Agenda Review**Ricky Canelo | * Ricky welcomed the attendees and reviewed the agenda.
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| **Group Discussion** | **GPRA Online Updates*** To increase response rates, the identification code has been removed.
* To promote participants to complete additional surveys/questioning, a new message will appear after the GPRA survey along the lines of “You will now be redirected to additional questions and/or the relevant TTC website.” This will depend on whether there is a redirect link for another survey.
* The frequency reports on the Lanitek website will include a column for valid data; missing data column will be removed.
* Follow-up emails will include “Follow-up Email: Event title” as subject line and adding specific TTC center in the body of the text.

**GPRA 1-pager Updates*** The GPRA one-pager is a standardized process of using GPRA to collect data, how to troubleshoot common issues, and best practices for using GPRA.

**Presentation Topics for Evaluation Conferences*** The AEA (American Evaluation Association) hasn’t sent out their call for proposals but should be coming out in the following few weeks. The conference will be held this October in Portland, OR; this year’s theme will be “Amplifying and Empowering Voices in Evaluation.”
* Other conferences to consider presenting at are APHA (American Public Health Association), SPR (Society for Prevention Research), and CADCA (Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America).

**Sharing ideas/concerns about preparation for re-bid*** Region 10 has begun gathering data to use for this grant year as well the re-bid.
* Region 1 is planning to interview each of their state’s certification boards, CDC Health Department boards, and coalition leaders.
* Region 9 has been collecting feedback from advisory boards as well as frequent users of 8-week series courses; also looking at GPRA registration data to get a better understanding of who is attending.
* Region 3 has been capturing participant demographics by having them take a short survey before accessing recorded resources and products.
 | **ACTION ITEM*** If you have any best practices, experiences, or resources for using GPRA reach out to Alex Barajas.

**ACTION ITEM*** Reach out to Jon or Alex if you’re interested in presenting or contributing to presentation topics.
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| **Recap and Remarks** Alex Barajas | **Member Updates*** Welcome Chidinma Ogojiaku! The new evaluator working with Region 9 – Pacific Southwest.

**Volunteers and/or ideas for spotlight presentation*** Reach out to Alex, Jon, or Carina if you would like to do a spotlight presentation for the next meeting.

**Next meeting*** **March 27, 2024, 12 p.m. CST.**
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