



Training and Technical Assistance Center for Access & Recovery

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The Bureau of Justice Assistance's TTAC for Access and Recovery, operated by Altarum, works with organizations and systems as they implement best practices and promising approaches related to PRSS, access to services, and other recovery supports. Altarum supports federal, state, and local governments, as well as national and community-based organizations, to build a system of care that focuses on recovery, active involvement of consumers and their families, and multiple services to best meet individual needs and to strengthen and improve the health of communities.



Guest Speaker



**Tiffany Lombardo MA, LISW-S,
LICDC-CS**
Project Director, Altarum

- Tiffany Lombardo is proud to be a social worker whose career has spanned more than 15 years, allowing her to affect change at the micro, mezzo, and macro levels. Her experiences began as a community-based case manager in community correction programming, which has framed her understanding of disparities within our systems of care and the need for social justice action. Tiffany developed a connection to clients struggling with substance use disorders and built her career on finding initiatives that could impact change at a community level through her passion for working with the most vulnerable populations, focusing on developing partnerships and collaboration to improve behavioral health systems.
- Tiffany currently serves as Project Director and Senior Program Manager for Altarum. She is a Licensed Independent Social Worker-Supervisor and Licensed Independent Chemical Dependency Counselor-Clinical Supervisor in the State of Ohio and received her MA in Social Service Administration from the University of Chicago. Tiffany also currently serves as President for the Ohio Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers and has served as a member of the Board of Directors for the last 5 years.

Guest Speaker



Elizabeth Waetzig, J.D.
**Managing Partner, Change
Matrix**

- Ms. Waetzig is a Founding and Managing Partner with Change Matrix, LLC, a minority- and women-owned small business that motivates, manages and measures change to support systems that improve lives. She partners with individuals, organizations and systems as they define, create, measure, and sustain change. She brings substantive experience in the areas of children’s mental health, a public health approach to mental health, early childhood systems, culturally responsive and equitable evaluation, child welfare, cultural and linguistic competence, conflict engagement, change management, youth engagement and systems building.
- Currently Ms. Waetzig serves as the Field Director for the National Technical Assistance and Training Center for the Mental Health of Children, Youth, and Families and serves on the Leadership team for the Early Childhood Systems Technical Assistance Coordinating Center in addition to supporting the work of other training and technical assistance centers. She also co-directs Expanding the Bench and Transforming Academia for Equity.
- Ms. Waetzig is particularly focused on leadership in change, has developed a leading through change framework used across multiple initiatives and has managed the Collaboration LAB since 2009 to increase the capacity of individuals and organizations to collaborate, uniquely tailoring support to build their collaborative structure, conflict engagement interventions to repair their structure and coaching to further the growth and learning from training.

Guest Speaker



Joseph Sanchez
Chief Program Officer, Faces
& Voices of Recovery

- Joseph is a dedicated advocate for recovery and an accomplished leader in the field. He began his journey with the Recovery Alliance of El Paso in 2005 and has since become a respected mentor and trainer for peer recovery support services. With a background in recovery coaching, curriculum development, and training, he's passionate about helping others in their recovery.
- Joseph also champions the LGBTQ+ community, offering a positive voice against homophobia and heterosexism while openly living with HIV since 2003. His personal mission is to inspire positive thinking and forward movement through motivation, education, and empowerment. As Chief Program Officer, he leads the strategic development and management of recovery programs, fostering a culture of servant leadership and teamwork.
- Joseph's work extends to creating statewide and national standards for Peer Recovery Support Services.



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Recovery

Ensuring active involvement from consumers and their families

Services to best meet individual needs

Strengthening and improving the health of communities

TTA Center for Access & Recovery

In-Person and Virtual
Consultation

Training and Facilitation

Capacity Building

Thought Leadership

Training and Technical Assistance:

Altarum will not be assigned primary grantees as the TTAC on Access and Recovery but will assign a liaison to each COSSUP TTAC provider to be a point of contact for questions and resources regarding Access and Recovery, including PRSS.

Technical Assistance Specialists from the TTAC on Access and Recovery will:

- Act in a supportive capacity during office hours, being available as questions arise regarding PRSS, Access, and other Recovery Support Services implementation.
- Provide brief update on upcoming TTAC activities during office hours, as made available by assigned liaison provider.
- Be available for TA meetings and TA requests from assigned liaison provider, as requested.

Training and Technical Assistance Collaboration:

Assigned liaisons by provider:

CHJ-TASC: Mickenzie Simmons

RTI: Diana Williams

Rulo Strategies: Sharon Ondeje

IIR: Tyrina Taylor/Tiffany Lombardo

NCJTC-FV: Caley Small

Abt: Joanna Lowry



CHANGEMATRIX

Thought Exchange
Question:

Other than funding, what would you say is the biggest challenge in your recovery support services efforts?



Thought Exchange Process

1) The first step is to share your thoughts to the following question:

Other than funding, what would you say is the biggest challenge in your recovery support services efforts?

2) The second step is to star the thoughts of others.

Ideally you will star 30 thoughts



strongly disagree



strongly agree

Share as many thoughts as you would like and know that you will remain anonymous.

As thoughts are shared and starred, they will be organized by theme. The data will show thoughts that were offered by the most people and thoughts that rated highly. This gives us thoughts that are shared less, but very important.



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Upcoming:

Access & Recovery Open Office Hours:

- Monthly Office Hours Open to ALL BJA grantees (beginning February 2024)
- Monthly Topics to support BJA grantees project implementation and support
- Log in Information coming soon!

PRSS Mentoring Initiative:

- 11 Mentor Sites in a variety of settings across the country available
- Initial Matches to begin in February 2024



Use the QR code above to access the PRSSMI mentee application.



Questions?



Bureau of Justice Assistance's Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Program (COSSUP) Resource Center

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Bureau of Justice Assistance's Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Program (COSSUP) Resource Center. At the top left is the COSSUP logo, which includes the text 'COSSUP' and 'Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Program'. To the right of the logo are four navigation links: 'Program', 'Topics', 'Learn', and 'Resource Library'. The main content area features a large background image of a diverse group of people smiling. On the left side of this image, the text reads 'DISCOVER IMPACTFUL RESPONSES TO THE OPIOID CRISIS'. Overlaid on the right side of the image is a dark blue search box with the text 'I want to ...' and a dropdown menu showing 'Find Learning Opportunities' with a downward arrow. Below the search box is a yellow 'Get Started' button. At the bottom right of the image area is a white 'Subscribe' button with a bell icon. At the bottom of the page, there are two white buttons: 'Site-Based Grants' and 'Request Assistance'.

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COSSUP Resources

Tailored Assistance—The COSSUP training and technical assistance (TTA) program offers a variety of learning opportunities and assistance to support local, tribal, and state organizations, stakeholders, and projects in building and sustaining multidisciplinary responses to the nation’s substance abuse crisis. ***You do not need to be a COSSUP grantee to request support.*** TTAs are provided in a variety of formats, including virtual and in-person training events, workshop and meeting presentations, and online resources. Request TTA to support your activities at <https://www.cossup.org/Program/TTA/Request>.

Funding Opportunities—Current COSSUP and complementary funding opportunities are shared at <https://www.cossup.org/Program/Funding>.

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