

Benefits of Participation

1. Free, on-site expert staff training in treatment of tobacco use.
2. Up to \$150 for completing assessments for clients.
3. Up to \$100 for completing assessments for personnel.
4. Site compensation to help offset the cost associated with any lost time and effort due to study participation on the part of clinic personnel.
5. Continuing medical education units to enrolled personnel in medicine, nursing, social work, and addiction counseling.

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Testing an Organizational Model to Address Smoking in Mental Healthcare

This brochure will provide you with the information necessary to consider your agency's participation in this important study.

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The Challenge

- Smoking among persons with a serious mental illness (SMI) remains 2-3 times greater than in the general population.
- Primary cause of death among those with an SMI is a tobacco-related disease.
- The use of evidence-based treatments for smoking is ~6% in this population.
- Organizational barriers in agencies that care for patients with an SMI may limit effective care for smoking.

Possible Solution

- Adequately addressing the barriers to the provision of treatments for tobacco use among patients with an SMI may be required to improve the treatment of tobacco dependence in a population with an SMI.

Study Methods

- Clinics will be randomized to one of two types of training: 1) Addressing Tobacco Through Organizational Change (ATTOC); or 2) Usual Care Training (UC).
- The study will recruit 14 community mental health clinics, with 280 clinic personnel and 700 clients across the clinics.

The ATTOC Model

- Systems-level intervention to address potential barriers that limit treatment of tobacco use led by Dr. Doug Ziedonis, an international expert on the use of ATTOC and the treatment of nicotine dependence among those with an SMI.

The Usual Care Model

- AHRQ guideline-based training in the treatment of smokers with SMI.
- Led by Dr. Robert Schnoll and Dr. Frank Leone, experts in treating nicotine dependence, from the University of Pennsylvania.

Study Procedures

- Baseline recruitment of clients and personnel into the study with a 45 minute assessment.
- Agency receives one of two training programs.
- Follow-up assessments at week 12, week 24, week 36, and week 52.
- All training is free and on-site.