

## **New Training Opportunity!**

# **Motivational Interviewing: Advancing the Practice**

The Pennsylvania Department of Drug & Alcohol Programs (DDAP) is pleased to announce the availability of a new training on Motivational Interviewing (MI).

### **'Motivational Interviewing – Advancing the Practice'**

This course is an experiential and didactic skill-building session designed to assist those working with individuals who are ambivalent about participating in treatment and increase the skills necessary to actively engage them in a recovery process. Participants will also gain an understanding of how MI relates to applying The ASAM Criteria's principles in their ongoing client assessments.

DDAP developed this course in collaboration with a team of Motivational Interviewing Network of Trainers (MINT) and ASAM Criteria trainers, as well as other recognized professionals with expertise in evidenced-based practices and their implementation. After two successful pilots, a cadre of highly qualified trainers have been selected and developed to now offer this opportunity to all our provider organizations.

PA Certification Board (PCB) and National Association of Social Work (NASW) CEUs are available and certificates of completion awarded at the conclusion of all events.

### **How to Attend**

The 2-day classroom '**Motivational Interviewing – Advancing the Practice**' course is now available in DDAP's online [Training Management System](#) for request and registration.

The 5-day virtual (3 hour sessions) of '**Motivational Interviewing – Advancing the Practice**' course can also be scheduled in DDAP's online [Training Management System](#) for request and registration.

Please contact your Single County Authority (SCA). Your SCA can make the request to hold an event in your area. If your SCA is unable to make the request, please contact DDAP's Training Section at [ra-datraining@pa.gov](mailto:ra-datraining@pa.gov).

### **Advanced Training Opportunity**

To assist in infusing MI into the culture and daily practice of an organization, select participants of the 2-day classroom and 5-day virtual course will have an opportunity to take part in a series of 8 monthly learning collaborative sessions. Intended for clinical directors, quality improvement directors or program managers/supervisors who have completed the 2-day or 5-day course, these monthly sessions will help identify existing organizational challenges to implementing MI principles and develop an MI quality improvement strategy for their respective agencies. Given the nature of their work in the learning collaborative, participants need to be positioned to effect necessary policy and procedural changes within their organizations.

If qualified and interested in attending the 8 session learning collaboratives, please inquire with your facilitators.

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