

# New Training & TA Programs

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In 2020 SAMHSA implemented several new Training and Technical Assistance (TA) programs to support healthcare providers in all States and Territories.

**Peer Recovery Center of Excellence**— <https://www.peerrecoverynow.org/>

This peer-led national center provides training and technical assistance related to substance use disorder recovery. The Center's strategies for training and technical assistance are organized into the following core areas of focus:

- ◆ Clinical integration of peer support workers into non-traditional settings.
- ◆ Building and strengthening capacity of Recovery Community Organizations.
- ◆ Enhancing the professionalization of peers through workforce development.
- ◆ Providing evidence-based and practice-based toolkits and resource information to diverse stakeholders.



**Homeless and Housing Resource Center**— <https://hhrctraining.org/>

The Homeless and Housing Resource Center (HHRC) was established by SAMHSA to expand the availability of high-quality training in evidence-based housing and treatment models focused on adults, children, and families who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness and have a serious mental illness, serious emotional disturbance, substance use disorders, or co-occurring disorders.



**National Family Support Technical Assistance Center**— <https://www.nfstac.org/>

The National Family Support Technical Assistance Center (NFSTAC) is the nation's first Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) funded Center of Excellence focused on supporting families and caregivers of children, regardless of their age, who experience serious mental illness and/or substance use disorders.



The purpose of the NFSTAC is to advance positive partnerships between families and providers to promote stronger and more sustainable outcomes for families and their children across the lifespan.

## Centers of Excellence for Behavioral Health Disparities

Addressing behavioral health disparities is a critical component of holistic behavioral health care. The purpose of the Centers of Excellence for Behavioral Health Disparities is to develop and disseminate training and technical assistance for healthcare practitioners on issues related to addressing behavioral health disparities in three key populations: African Americans, LGBTQ, and the aging population.



African American Behavioral Health

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<https://africanamericanbehavioralhealth.org/>

This innovative yet deeply grounded Center has been structured to mobilize the scholarship and expertise of many distinguished voices in African American behavioral health and health equity, the knowledge and wisdom of multiple national bodies representing a broad spectrum of Black stakeholders, and the established networks of a host of strategic partners committed to marketing and disseminating the new Center's products and services. The Center will also benefit from the expertise,



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LGBTQ+ BEHAVIORAL HEALTH EQUITY

<http://www.lgbtqequality.org/>

This Center of Excellence is designed to support the implementation of change strategies within mental health and substance use disorder treatment systems to address disparities impacting the LGBTQ+ community. Through training, coaching, and technical assistance this center is implementing change strategies within mental health and substance use disorder treatment systems to address disparities



<http://e4center.org/>

The mission of the E4 Center is to engage, empower, and educate health care providers and community-based organizations for equity in behavioral health for older adults and their families. E4 will achieve this through the provision of education, implementation resources, and technical assistance regarding mental health, substance use, and their intersection with physical health.