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For Health and Human Service Providers



Providing comprehensive training and technical assistance to NYC service providers in their HIV-related work

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About us

Since 1988, the Bureau of HIV/AIDS Prevention & Control's Training and Technical Assistance Program (T-TAP) has conducted professional training and capacity building activities for clinical and non-clinical staff at health departments, hospitals, clinics and community-based organizations (CBOs) that provide HIV testing, prevention, and care services. Through education and training of providers, T-TAP strives to decrease the transmission of HIV in New York City and to improve care for those persons living with HIV.

Our mission

The T-TAP mission is to provide comprehensive training and technical assistance to support NYC service providers in their HIV-related work. We fulfill our mission through the dissemination and development of evidence-based curricula, skills transfer, and organizational capacity development.

Location

T-TAP is located at 4209 28th Street, Queens, NY 11101, which is conveniently situated just outside of Manhattan. It is easy to reach by subway, train, car and bus.



HIV/AIDS, STI & VIRAL HEPATITIS CLINICAL TRAININGS

T-TAP clinical trainings are designed to support NYC clinicians in the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of HIV and other STIs. T-TAP collaborates with the DOHMH HIV/STI Prevention Training Center and other training centers throughout the five boroughs of New York to make clinical training as widely available as possible.

Eligibility

All clinical staff who work directly with sexually active New Yorkers are eligible to enroll in clinical trainings.

HIV/AIDS, STI & VIRAL HEPATITIS NON- CLINICAL TRAININGS

T-TAP non-clinical trainings are designed to support staff who work in agencies that engage in the diagnosis or supportive care of those who are at-risk or living with HIV and/or others STIs. These programs include courses that provide a necessary foundation for staff who work with these populations.

Eligibility

Course enrollment priority is given to staff who provide the following services and activities:

- HIV/STI testing, diagnosis, and care
- HIV/STI prevention education and counseling
- HIV/Co-occurring disorders and the mental health professional's role in adherence
- Linkage and navigation to medical case management services, supportive case management, and referral services
- Community mobilization and community-level interventions
- Substance abuse and mental health services for at-risk and HIV-infected individuals
- System-level and/or structural change services to decrease HIV transmission or improve the HIV continuum of care.

***** Please note that each course has its own criteria for enrollment. Read the "Who should attend?" section for each training to determine if you are eligible. *****

HIV/AIDS, STI & VIRAL HEPATITIS

AT- A- GLANCE

COMPREHENSIVE CONDOM

This one-day training is designed for staff of any agency/clinic involved in the distribution of both male and FC2 condoms (sometimes called female condoms). Attendees learn about proper use, storage and distribution of the condoms, as well as the requirements for participation in the New York City DOHMH FC2 Condom Education and Distribution Program.

DELIVERING HIV POSITIVE TEST RESULTS

This one-day training is an interactive skills building training focusing on delivering an HIV positive test result to a client and starting the linkage to care process.

ENHANCED OUTREACH

This two-day training is an interactive, skills-building workshop focused on the acquisition and application of skills and knowledge to enhance community outreach activities. This training is intended to enhance outreach and community engagement activities. Participants will learn the stages of community outreach, maintain boundaries, and strategically utilize the Relational Outreach Engagement Model.

FUNDAMENTALS OF HIV PREVENTION COUNSELING

This two-day interactive training prepares participants to apply the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC's) six-step, intensive HIV prevention intervention and risk reduction counseling model with high risk clients.

GROUP PROCESS & FACILITATION SKILLS

This two-day training is an interactive, skills-building workshop focused on the acquisition and application of skills for interpersonal and group dynamics and group leadership.

HEPATITIS C RAPID POINT- OF- CARE TESTING TECHNOLOGY

This half-day training will provide clinical and non-clinical service providers with training in rapid Hepatitis C point-of-care testing devices. Program quality assurance measures will be reviewed.

HIV TESTING

This one-day training will review the policies, recommendations and technical issues related to HIV testing in New York State. It will also focus on HIV point-of-care testing technologies, including specifications for storage and conducting these tests, safety precautions and proper handling of specimens, accurately interpreting test results, and other quality assurance measures. This training is designed to assist both clinical and non-clinical providers who want to learn more about HIV testing technologies and HIV testing in New York City. Please note: This training does NOT include hands-on skill-building activities (e.g., role plays/practice sessions) for pre-test counseling or delivering HIV positive test results. If you are seeking training on how to deliver HIV test results or wish to build your counseling skills in this area, we encourage you to register for the course titled, DELIVERING HIV POSITIVE TEST RESULTS.

HIV 101: UNDERSTANDING HIV INFECTION, DIAGNOSIS & TREATMENT

This one-day interactive training is ideal for new staff who require a strong foundation in the basics of HIV. It also serves as a refresher for staff who require an update.

HIV/AIDS, STI & VIRAL HEPATITIS AT- A- GLANCE (CONTINUED)

HIV 201: PEP, PrEP and other Biomedical Interventions

This one-day training will review the importance of biomedical interventions in the reduction of HIV transmission. Throughout the training, attendees will learn about the role combination biomedical and behavioral interventions can play in helping to reach the goals of the National HIV/AIDS Strategy; the impact of linkage to medical care and viral load suppression on HIV transmission; the basics of nPEP and PrEP; and how to discuss these biomedical interventions with clients.

IMPROVING LINKAGE TO CARE USING THE “ARTAS” MODEL (Antiretroviral Treatment Access Study),

This two-day course will prepare health care providers and staff from non-clinical agencies to assist HIV-positive clients with prompt linkage to medical care. Participants will observe demonstrations and then practice the Linkage to Medical Care/Antiretroviral Treatment Access Study (LMC/ARTAS) counseling techniques with feedback from colleagues. Participants will practice using motivational interviewing skills to build a relationship with the client, conduct a strengths assessment, and develop a client-centered action plan with specific, individualized goals and objectives.

INTRODUCTION TO THE SOCIAL NETWORK RECRUITMENT STRATEGY & TWO DAY SOCIAL NETWORK STRATEGY COURSES (HIV Testing Unit)

The Social Networks Strategy (SNS) for Counseling, Testing, and Referral (CTR) is a focused recruitment approach that has demonstrated success in finding people with undiagnosed HIV infection and linking them to care. By using this strategy, agencies may be able to reach the highest-risk persons who are linked to one another through their social networks. The half-day training will provide participants with a basic introduction to SNS. It is recommended that agencies that are considering implementing SNS attend this half-day introductory course as a prerequisite to the expanded three day training. Please note: The focus of this training is the use of a specific CDC strategy to increase HIV testing among people who know each other. This training does NOT cover the use of social media (e.g., Facebook, Twitter, Tumblr, Grindr, or dating sites) for HIV prevention activities.

LGBT SENSITIVITY

This one-day training will explore the nuances between gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, and behavior in order to promote cultural sensitivity in working with the LGBT community. Attendees will have a greater understanding/sensitivity to the needs of individuals from the LGBT community. They will gain confidence in their ability to welcome and retain LGBT clients in the services being provided.

MOTIVATIONAL INTERVIEWING (MI)

This two-day training will help participants learn the fundamentals of motivational interviewing (MI), explore techniques for integrating MI into HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment approaches, and practice MI with clients through role play and case discussions. By the end of this training, individuals will be able to utilize MI to decrease ambivalence and increase the likelihood of behavior change related to HIV prevention and self-management.

STI 101: UNDERSTANDING SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED INFECTIONS

This one-day introductory training will serve to increase health and human service providers' knowledge and understanding of sexually transmitted diseases (STIs). The training will review transmission, screening, and treatment of the most common STIs, with additional information on available resources.

HIV/AIDS, STI & VIRAL HEPATITIS AT- A- GLANCE (CONTINUED)

STIGMA: THE IMPACT ON PREVENTION AND CARE SERVICES

This one-day training will increase providers' capacity to recognize the impact of HIV/AIDS-related stigma so that they may assist individuals within their communities to access healthcare services (prevention and care).

THE ROLE OF THE MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDER IN MEDICATION TREATMENT ADHERENCE

Using HIV/AIDS as a case study, course content will review factors affecting adherence, the role of the mental health care provider in adherence, the benefits of harm reduction strategies, and stages of behavior change to identify barriers, and steps to adherence. A holistic practice model will be reviewed as one step towards promoting culturally competent practice with individuals, families, and within the broader communities affected by HIV/AIDS.

HEPATITIS C 101: UNDERSTANDING HEPITITIS C

This training will provide health and social service providers with basic information about hepatitis C with additional information provided on hepatitis A & B. Topics covered include clinical features of viral hepatitis C; prevention; screening; liver health promotion; medical care; and existing community resources.

WORKING WITH CLIENTS LIVING WITH HIV/AIDS AND CO- OCCURING MENTAL HEALTH DISORDERS

This one-day course addresses HIV/AIDS within a bio-psycho-social-spiritual perspective, and includes a brief overview of psycho-social issues of HIV disease progression, including adherence issues. Participants will increase their skills in identifying and distinguishing client/consumer's common psychological reactions to living with HIV/AIDS from those that warrant a mental health diagnosis; discuss dual and multiples diagnoses; and be able to differentiate mental health disorders from neuro-psychiatric complications. Participants will draw upon both knowledge and skills to practice culturally-competent assessment and intervention planning.

COMPREHENSIVE CONDOM *One-Day Training*

Logistics:

Time: 9:00am – 5:00pm

Location: 4209 28th Street, Queens, NY 11101

Dates:

February 17, 2016	April 19, 2016	June 30, 2016
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Who Should Attend?

- Clinical and non-clinical service providers who currently distribute or would like to distribute condoms.
- Service providers who address women's health concerns related to HIV/STI and pregnancy prevention.
- Service providers who address health concerns of men who have sex with men and other populations at high risk for HIV and other STIs.

T- TAP Training Prerequisites:

- HIV 101 (or its equivalent) is a prerequisite for this course.

Goal:

This training is designed for staff of any agency/clinic involved in the distribution of both male and FC2 condoms (sometimes called the female condom). Attendees learn about proper use, storage and distribution of the condoms, as well as the requirements for participation in the New York City DOHMH NYC Condom & FC2 Condom Education and Distribution Program(s).

Objectives:

By the end of the training, participants will be able to:

- Demonstrate correct use of male and FC2 condoms;
- Address myths/misconceptions about male and FC2 condoms;
- Understand proper storage requirements of male and FC2 condoms; and
- Network with other participants interested in forming collaborative relationships to enhance HIV/STI prevention and related resources for HIV-positive persons and high risk groups.

DELIVERING HIV POSITIVE TEST RESULTS *One-Day Training*

Logistics:

Time: 9:00am – 5:00pm

Location: 4209 28th Street, Queens, NY 11101

Dates

February 4, 2016	March 22, 2016	April 12, 2016
May 26, 2016	June 21, 2016	

Who Should Attend?

- HIV service providers who are new to the provision of HIV testing and linkage to care services within a community and/or medical setting.

T- TAP Training Prerequisites:

- HIV 101 & HIV Testing (or their equivalents) are required prerequisites for this course.

Goal:

This training is designed to assist HIV service providers with guidance and practice in the delivering of HIV positive test results. To assist HIV service providers in working with newly diagnosed clients on topics such as linkage to medical care and partner elicitation and notification.

Objectives:

By the end of this training, participants will be able to:

- Describe activities mandated by NY State Law for newly diagnosed HIV-positive persons (i.e., domestic violence screen, partner services, reporting of case to DOHMH, linkage to care);
- Identify techniques that are essential to the empathetic and supportive delivery of a positive test result;
- Practice the delivery of a positive test result to a client;
- Practice helping a client with partner elicitation and notification; and
- Practice linking clients to HIV primary medical care.

ENHANCED OUTREACH *Two-Day Training*

Logistics:

Time: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Location: 4209 28th Street, Queens, NY 11101

Dates:

January 25- 26, 2016	February 22- 23, 2016	March 28- 29, 2016
April 25- 26, 2016	May 23- 24, 2016	June 27- 28, 2016

Who Should Attend?

- Participants should be HIV clinical and non-clinical service providers who facilitate interventions that contribute to the prevention of HIV transmission.

T- TAP Training Prerequisites:

- HIV 101 (or its equivalent) is a required prerequisite for this course.

Goal:

This interactive training is designed to enhance outreach and community engagement activities. Participants will learn the stages of community outreach, maintain boundaries, and strategically utilize the Relational Outreach Engagement Model.

Objectives:

By the end of the training, participants will be able to:

- Describe the stages of outreach as they relate to community engagement and service utilization;
- Discuss the need for boundaries in conducting outreach;
- Demonstrate the strategic use of the Relational Outreach Engagement Model.

FUNDAMENTALS OF HIV PREVENTION COUNSELING *Two-Day Training*

Logistics:

Time: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Location: 4209 28th Street, Queens, NY 11101

Dates:

January 11- 12, 2016	March 15- 16, 2016	May 19 – 20,2016
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Who Should Attend?

- Participants should include HIV service providers who offer some elements of intensive individualized HIV prevention and risk reduction counseling services in the course of their work.

T- TAP Training Prerequisites:

- HIV 101 & HIV Testing (or their equivalents) are required prerequisites for this course.

Goal:

This two-day training assists providers and agency staff in implementing and integrating the HIV prevention and risk reduction counseling model into their agency programs.

Objectives:

By the end of the training, participants will be able to:

- Improve client self-perception of risk;
- Support appropriate behavior change initiated by clients;
- Negotiate a risk reduction plan;
- Develop essential communication and basic counseling skills;
- Understand how to ensure that clients are linked to medical and health services, including substance use and mental health care; and
- Understand how to incorporate testing into HIV prevention, give test results, and link patients to HIV primary care.

GROUP PROCESS & FACILITATION SKILLS *Two-Day Training*

Logistics:

Time: 9:00am – 5:00pm

Location: 4209 28th Street, Queens, NY 11101

Dates:

February 29 – March 1, 2016	May 4 – 5, 2016
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Who Should Attend?

- Participants should be clinical and/or non-clinical service providers who facilitate any type of group activity or intervention that contributes to the prevention of HIV/STI transmission.

T- TAP Training Prerequisites:

- HIV 101 (or its equivalent) is a required prerequisite for this course.

Goal:

This interactive training is designed to enhance the facilitation skills of group leaders. With enhanced skills, group leaders will be able to conduct group-level activities or intervention sessions that contribute to the prevention of HIV/STI transmission. Interpersonal group dynamics are emphasized.

Objectives:

By the end of the training, participants will:

- Develop group facilitation skills through participation in an interactive group process;
- Develop a self-assessment of interpersonal style in group participation and leadership;
- Engage in activities to promote non-judgmental attitudes among group facilitators; and
- Review verbal responses and identify ways to respond to nonverbal behaviors.

HEPATITIS C RAPID POINT- OF- CARE TESTING TECHNOLOGIES *Half-Day Training*

Logistics:

Time: 9:00am – 1:00pm

Location: 4209 28th Street, Queens, NY 11101

Dates:

March 17, 2016	June 16, 2016
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Who Should Attend?

- Clinical and non-clinical service providers involved in conducting HIV and HCV testing and in linking persons who test positive to medical care.

T- TAP Training Prerequisites:

- HIV 101 and Understanding Viral Hepatitis (or their equivalents) are prerequisites for this course.

Goal:

This training provides a demonstration of FDA-approved HIV and HCV point-of-care testing technologies and reviews the necessary quality assurance measures.

Objectives:

By the end of this training, participants will be able to:

- Describe running external controls for the current FDA-approved, CLIA-waived: OraQuick Advance Rapid HIV-1/2 Antibody Test, and the OraQuick HCV Rapid Antibody Test; and
- Describe quality assurance measures, including workspace set-up, storage of specimens, temperatures for storage and testing, logging test results, and more.

Please Note: Participants will receive a certificate of attendance. This training does not substitute for on- site training or the certification of proficiency that can be granted by your agency's laboratory director or your HCV testing supervisor.

HIV TESTING

One-Day Training

Logistics:

Time: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Location: 4209 28th Street, Queens, NY 11101

Dates:

January 28, 2016	March 9, 2016	June 24, 2016
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Who Should Attend?

- HIV service providers involved in the provision of HIV testing and linkage to care within a community and/or medical setting.
- Clinical or non-clinical staff who need to be updated on HIV testing policies, recommendations and testing technologies.

T- TAP Training Prerequisites:

- HIV 101 (or its equivalent) is a prerequisite for this course.

Goal:

This one day training will review the policies, recommendations and technical issues related to HIV testing in New York State. It will also provide a demonstration of approved CLIA-waived, point-of-care HIV testing technologies and a review of the necessary quality assurance measures.

Objectives:

By the end of module one, participants will be able to:

- Discuss the important link between awareness of HIV status and HIV transmission;
- Describe the basic requirements of the 2010 New York State HIV Testing Law;
- Differentiate between conventional/traditional HIV testing and rapid/point-of-care HIV tests;
- Understand CDC's currently recommended HIV testing algorithm.
- Participate in running external controls for current CLIA-waived point-of-care testing products; and
- Describe quality assurance measures including workspace set-up, storage of specimens, temperatures for storage and testing, logging test results, and more.

Please Note: Participants will receive a certificate of attendance. This training does not substitute for on- site training or the certification of proficiency that can be granted by your agency's laboratory director or your HIV testing supervisor.

HIV 101
UNDERSTANDING HIV INFECTION, DIAGNOSIS
AND TREATMENT
One-Day Training

Logistics:

Time: 9:00am – 5:00pm

Location: 4209 28th Street, Queens, NY 11101

Dates:

January 7, 2016	February 12, 2016	March 3, 2016	April 15, 2016
May 11, 2016	June 2, 2016		

Who Should Attend?

- HIV service providers who are new to the field of HIV or those who require a refresher course to understand basic information about HIV.

T- TAP Training Prerequisites:

- None

Goal:

To provide basic information to participants regarding HIV/AIDS, transmission, and prevention. To enable participants to effectively transfer current, accurate HIV knowledge to their clients or patients.

Objectives:

By the end of this training, participants will be able to:

- Obtain updated information about the incidence and prevalence of HIV in NYC;
- Describe the impact of HIV infection on the immune system over time;
- Define levels of exposure, modes of transmission, and risk reduction;
- Describe the basic stages of HIV disease including seroconversion, acute infection and progression to AIDS;
- Understand HIV antibody and viral load testing;
- Define the criteria for an AIDS diagnosis;
- Understand treatment approaches to reduce viral replication; and
- Practice the delivery of information to clients.

HIV 201
PEP, PrEP and other Biomedical Interventions
One-Day Training

Logistics:

Time: 9:00am – 5:00pm

Location: 4209 28th Street, Queens, NY 11101

Dates:

January 19, 2016	February 19, 2016	March 18, 2016
April 15, 2016	May 25, 2016	June 3, 2016

Who Should Attend?

- Non-clinical service providers who currently provide HIV services.

T- TAP Training Prerequisites:

- HIV 101 (or its equivalent) is a prerequisite for this course.

Goal:

This training is designed for staff of any agency/clinic involved in providing HIV testing, prevention and care services. Attendees will learn about the importance of biomedical interventions being used in tandem with behavioral interventions for the prevention of HIV transmission.

Objectives:

By the end of the training, participants will be able to:

- Explain the National HIV/AIDS Strategy and its importance in reducing HIV;
- Describe the implications of biomedical interventions in HIV prevention;
- Discuss the impact of viral suppression on prevention of HIV transmission;
- Discuss nPEP and how it may impact HIV transmission;
- Discuss PrEP and the implications for use within NYC;
- Demonstrate effective linkage to care messages relating to suppressed viral loads; and
- Demonstrate effective referral messages for nPEP and PrEP.

**IMPROVING LINKAGE TO CARE USING THE ANTIRETROVIRAL TREATMENT
ACCESS STUDY (ARTAS) MODEL**
Two-Day Training

Logistics:

Time: 9:00pm - 5:00pm

Location: 4209 28th Street, Queens, NY 11101

Dates

April 7- 8, 2016	June 9- 10, 2016
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Who Should Attend?

- Health care and social service providers who participate in the process of helping to link HIV positive clients/patients to medical care.

T- TAP Training Prerequisites:

- HIV 101, HIV Testing, and Delivering HIV Positive Results (or their equivalents) are prerequisites for this course.

Goals:

To provide core skills that enable clinical and non-clinical staff to use the evidence-based techniques deployed in the Antiretroviral Treatment Access Study (ARTAS) to improve linkage to HIV medical care (LMC). ARTAS uses individual-level, short-term, and strengths-based case management services to link individuals who have been diagnosed with HIV to medical care. The curriculum is based on a successful demonstration project sponsored by CDC that significantly improved linkage of HIV-infected persons to HIV primary care.

Objectives:

By the end of this training, participants will be able to assist clients/patients in linkage to HIV primary care through the use of a strengths-based case management model. Participants will be able to:

- Explain the Linkage to Medical Care – LMC (ARTAS) model;
- Implement skills required for strengths-based case management; and
- Conduct the LMC (ARTAS) model.

For more information about ARTAS please visit: <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2933679/>

INTRODUCTION TO THE SOCIAL NETWORK RECRUITMENT STRATEGY (SNS) FOR HIV TESTING PROGRAMS *Half-Day Training*

Logistics:

Time: 9:00am - 1:00pm
Location: 4209 28th Street, Queens, NY 11101
Dates: March 4, 2016

Who Should Attend?

- This training is recommended for HIV testing providers, program managers or supervisors with responsibilities related to program planning, staffing, fiscal decisions or policy development.
- Participants should be either considering implementation of SNS or seeking to learn about using SNS for HIV testing.

T- TAP Training Prerequisites:

- None

Goal:

The primary goal of this training is to introduce agency leadership and/or program staff to the basic concepts and phases of the Social Network Recruitment Strategy (SNS) for HIV testing. An HIV testing program using SNS may be able to better identify persons with undiagnosed HIV infection within various networks and link them to medical care. At the end of the training, participants will be able to determine whether the strategy is appropriate for their agency.

Objectives:

By the end of this half-day training, participants will:

- Review data from recent CDC-funded demonstration projects;
- Review core elements of the four phases of SNS; and
- Discuss key questions to determine agency resources and readiness to integrate SNS into existing programs.

For a more thorough understanding and preparation for implementation of SNS, the full two-day training is recommended. See The Social Network Strategy two-day training in this catalogue (page 25).

For more information about the Social Network Strategy for HIV testing please visit:
<http://www.cdc.gov/hiv/resources/guidelines/snt/overview.htm>

LGBTQ SENSITIVITY *One-Day Training*

Logistics:

Time: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Location: 4209 28th Street, Queens, NY 11101

Dates:

January 5, 2016	February 9, 2016	March 8, 2016
April 5, 2016	May 12, 2016	June 7, 2016

Who Should Attend?

- Participants should be HIV non-clinical service providers.

T- TAP Training Prerequisites:

- None

Goal:

Participants will have a greater understanding/sensitivity to the needs of individuals from the LGBT community and be able to welcome and retain those clients.

Objectives:

By the end of the training, participants will be able to:

- List the physical and behavioral similarities and differences between clients who identify as gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender.
- Describe the stigma encountered by LGBT populations and discrimination that has occurred over time.
- Discuss the barriers to accessing services faced by LGBT clients.
- Describe how to create a safe space for disenfranchised LGBT clients.
- Demonstrate the ability to have a helping, client-focused conversation.

MOTIVATIONAL INTERVIEWING *Two-Day Training*

Logistics:

Time: 9:00am – 5:00pm

Location: 4209 28th Street, Queens, NY 11101

Dates:	January 21- 22, 2016	February 10- 11, 2016	March 23- 24, 2016
	April 20- 21, 2016	May 16- 17, 2016	June 22- 23, 2016

Who Should Attend?

- Participants should include HIV service providers who incorporate some elements of intensive, individualized HIV prevention and risk reduction counseling services into their work.

T- TAP Training Prerequisites:

- HIV 101 (or its equivalent) is a prerequisite for this course.

Goal:

This two-day training will help participants learn the fundamentals of motivational interviewing (MI), explore techniques for integrating MI into HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment approaches, and practice MI with clients through role play and case discussions.

Objectives:

By the end of the training, participants will be able to:

- Appreciate the usefulness of using MI in reducing risk;
- Demonstrate the core skills used in MI;
- Discuss common traps that promote client disengagement and how to promote client engagement;
- Demonstrate the ability to identify change talk; and
- Demonstrate the ability to stage a client and strategically apply MI techniques.

STIGMA: THE IMPACT ON PREVENTION AND CARE SERVICES

One-Day Training

Logistics:

Time: 9:00am – 5:00pm

Location: 4209 28th Street, Queens, NY 11101

Dates

February 18, 2016	June 14, 2016
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Who Should Attend?

- Do you know the role that HIV/AIDS-related stigma plays in HIV prevention, HIV testing, disclosure of HIV positive serostatus, and entry into HIV/AIDS care? Do you know that HIV/AIDS-related stigma is sometimes referred to as “the second epidemic”? Take this course if you are interested in learning how to address stigma that may be experienced in your agency. For the service provider who has a basic understanding of HIV information and theory.

T- TAP Training Prerequisites:

- HIV 101 (or its equivalent) is a prerequisite for this course.

Goal:

This one-day training will increase providers’ capacity to recognize the impact of HIV/AIDS-related stigma so that they may assist individuals to access healthcare services (prevention and care).

Objectives:

By the end of the training, participants will be able to:

- Define HIV/AIDS-related stigma;
- Describe the conditions that lead to HIV/AIDS-related stigma;
- Identify the relationship between HIV/AIDS-related stigma and barriers to accessing HIV prevention services;
- Identify the relationship between HIV/AIDS-related stigma and barriers to accessing HIV/AIDS care services.

STI 101
Understanding Sexually Transmitted Infections
One-Day Training

Logistics:

Time: 9:00am – 5:00pm

Location: 4209 28th Street, Queens, NY 11101

Dates:

January 20, 2016	February 5, 2016	March 14, 2016
April 28, 2016	May 13, 2016	June 15, 2016

Who Should Attend?

- Non-clinical health and human services providers who will be responsible for delivering prevention, care or support services related to HIV, STIs and viral hepatitis.

T- TAP Training Prerequisites:

- None

Goal:

To provide non-clinical health and human services providers with current, accurate information to address sexually transmitted infections (STIs). The training will review transmission, screening, treatment, and available resources/referrals for information and care of STIs.

Objectives:

By the end of this training, participants will be able to:

- Describe STI morbidity in New York City;
- Describe the public health aspects of STI care, such as partner notification and expedited partner therapy;
- Describe the transmission, symptoms, and complications of common STIs;
- Describe the inter-relationship of HIV and other STIs;
- Describe common elements of sexual risk assessments;
- Describe STI risk reduction options; and
- Identify available resources and referrals



THE ROLE OF THE MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDER IN MEDICATION TREATMENT ADHERENCE *Half-Day Training*

Logistics:

Time: 9am – 1pm

Location: 4209 28th Street, Queens, NY 11101

Dates:

June 8, 2016

Who Should Attend?

- Participants should be HIV mental health and/or case management service providers.

T- TAP Training Prerequisites:

- None

Goal:

Using HIV/AIDS as a case study, the course will review factors affecting adherence, the role of the mental health care provider in adherence, the benefits of harm reduction strategies, and stages of behavior change to identify barriers and steps to adherence. A holistic practice model will be reviewed as one step towards promoting culturally competent practice with individuals, families, and within the broader communities affected by HIV/AIDS.

Objectives:

By the end of the training, participants will be able to:

- Define adherence and understand the importance and challenges of medication adherence.
- Assess professional/personal issues in identifying and effectively working with substance-using clients with HIV/AIDS and related mental health concerns.
- Review key concepts to ensure culturally competent practice.
- Understand the unique role of the mental health care provider in promoting adherence.
- Learn how to apply ADHERE (Assess, Dialogue, Holistic, Empower, Reinforce, Evaluate), a skill-building model for application of adherence strategies.

THE SOCIAL NETWORK STRATEGY

Two-Day Training

Logistics:

Time: 9:00am – 5:00pm
Location: 4209 28th Street, Queens, NY 11101
Dates: March 31 – April 1, 2016

Who Should Attend?

- This two-day training is recommended for HIV testing providers, program managers or supervisors with responsibilities related to program planning, staffing, fiscal decisions or policy development *who have attended* the Introduction to Social Network Recruitment Strategy (SNS) for HIV Testing Programs training. This training does not cover information regarding how to conduct social media (e.g. Facebook, twitter, Grindr, online dating sites).

T- TAP Training Prerequisites:

- None

Goals:

The Social Network Strategy (SNS) is a recruitment strategy for reaching persons who are unaware of their HIV infection by leveraging existing social networks. The goal of this strategy is to identify persons with undiagnosed HIV infection within various networks and link them to medical care and prevention services.

Objectives:

By the end of the training, participants will be able to:

- Define social networks;
- Define the Social Network Recruitment Strategy (SNS);
- Differentiate the Social Network Recruitment Strategy from other HIV testing strategies;
- List the four phases of the Social Network Recruitment Strategy;
- Describe three benefits of using social networks to reach people at high risk for HIV infection;
- Develop a plan for implementing a social networks strategy in their agency;
- Learn data collection for process monitoring and outcome evaluation; and
- Learn effective techniques to troubleshoot for improved program effectiveness.

For more information about the Social Network Strategies please visit:
<http://www.cdc.gov/hiv/resources/guidelines/snt/overview.htm>



HEPATITIS C 101: UNDERSTANDING HEPITITIS C *One-Day Training*

Logistics:

Time: 9:00am – 5:00pm

Location: 4209 28th Street, Queens, NY 11101

Dates:

January 14, 2016	March 10, 2016	May 10, 2016
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Who Should Attend?

- Health and social service providers who desire basic information about Hepatitis C; specific topics to be covered include transmission, prevention, testing, liver health promotion, medical care and existing community resources.

T- TAP Training Prerequisites:

- None

Goal:

To provide basic information about Hepatitis C. Core topics include clinical features of hepatitis, prevention, screening, management, care and existing community resources. To enable staff to effectively transfer current, accurate knowledge to their clients or patients about Hepatitis C.

Objectives:

By the end of this training, participants will be able to:

- Obtain updated information about the incidence of Hepatitis C in NYC;
- Describe the basic biological functions of the liver;
- Describe the liver disease process and basic liver care messages;
- Define Hepatitis A, B & C and describe the differences between them;
- Identify people at risk for Hepatitis C;
- Understand Hepatitis C testing and liver evaluation process;
- Understand Hepatitis C treatment options;
- Find Hepatitis C community resources, including: vaccination, prevention, testing, medical care, treatment and supportive services; and
- Practice the delivery of information to clients.

WORKING WITH CLIENTS LIVING WITH HIV/AIDS AND CO- OCCURRING MENTAL HEALTH DISORDERS
One-Day Training

Logistics:

Time: 9am – 5pm

Location: 4209 28th Street, Queens, NY 11101

Dates:

March 7, 2016	June 13, 2016
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Who Should Attend?

- Participants should be HIV mental health and/or case management service providers.

T- TAP Training Prerequisites:

- None

Goal:

This course addresses HIV/AIDS within a bio-psycho-social-spiritual perspective, and includes a brief overview of psycho-social issues of HIV disease progression, including adherence issues. Participants will increase their skills in identifying and distinguishing client/consumer’s common psychological reactions to living with HIV/AIDS from those that warrant a mental health diagnosis; discuss dual and multiple diagnoses; and be able to differentiate mental health disorders from neuro-psychiatric complications. Participants will draw upon both knowledge and skills to practice culturally competent assessment and intervention planning at both the micro and macro/systems levels.

Objectives:

By the end of the training, participants will be able to:

- Review the medical management role of social workers who provide services to people living with HIV/AIDS and co-occurring chronic illnesses;
- Identify mental health challenges and strengths across the spectrum of living with HIV/AIDS;
- Obtain tools to assess for a range of mental health issues and concerns; including clients with co-occurring conditions of substance abuse and severe mental illness;
- Identify, describe, and formulate relevant interventions with persons with multiple diagnoses;
- Review the role of advocacy at the macro/systems level.

HIV TRAININGS CALENDAR by MONTH AT- A- GLANCE

January 2016	
Training	Date(s)
HIV 101: Understanding HIV Infection, Diagnosis & Treatment	January 7, 2016
Fundamentals of HIV Prevention Counseling	January 11- 12, 2016
Hepatitis C 101: Understanding Hepatitis C	January 14, 2016
PEP, PrEP and other Biomedical Interventions: HIV 201	January 19, 2016
STI 101: Understanding Sexually Transmitted Infections	January 20, 2016
Motivational Interviewing	January 21- 22, 2016
Enhanced Outreach	January 25-26, 2016
HIV Testing	January 28, 2016
February 2016	
Training	Date(s)
Delivering HIV Positive Test Results	February 4, 2016
STI 101: Understanding Sexually Transmitted Infections	February 5, 2016
LGBTQ Sensitivity	February 9, 2016
Motivational Interviewing	February 10 – 11, 2016
HIV 101: Understanding HIV Infection, Diagnosis & Treatment	February 12, 2016
Comprehensive Condom	February 17, 2016
Stigma: Impact on Prevention and Care Services	February 18, 2016
PEP, PrEP and other Biomedical Interventions: HIV 201	February 19, 2016
Enhanced Outreach	February 22-23, 2016
Group Process & Facilitation Skills	February 29 – March 1, 2016
March 2016	
Training	Date(s)
Group Process & Facilitation Skills	February 29 – March 1, 2016
HIV 101: Understanding HIV Infection, Diagnosis & Treatment	March 3, 2016
Introduction to the Social Network Recruitment Strategy (SNS) for HIV Testing Programs	March 4, 2016



Working with Clients Living with HIV/AIDS and Co-Occurring Mental Health Disorders	March 7, 2016
LGBTQ Sensitivity	March 8, 2016
HIV Testing	March 9, 2016
Hepatitis C 101: Understanding Hepatitis C	March 10, 2016
STI 101: Understanding Sexually Transmitted Infections	March 14, 2016
Fundamentals of HIV Prevention Counseling	March 15-16, 2016
Hepatitis C Rapid Point-of-Care Testing Technology	March 17, 2016
PEP, PrEP and other Biomedical Interventions: HIV 201	March 18, 2016
Delivering HIV Positive Test Results	March 22, 2016
Motivational Interviewing	March 23- 24, 2016
Enhanced Outreach**	March 28-29, 2016
Social Network Recruitment Strategy (SNS) for HIV Testing Programs	March 31 – April 1, 2016
April 2016	
Training	Date(s)
Social Network Recruitment Strategy (SNS) for HIV Testing Programs	March 31 – April 1, 2016
LGBTQ Sensitivity	April 5, 2016
Improving Linkage to Care Using the ARTAS Model	April 7 – 8, 2016
HIV 101: Understanding HIV Infection, Diagnosis & Treatment	April 11, 2016
Delivering HIV Positive Test Results	April 12, 2016
Stigma: Impact on Prevention and Care Services	April 14, 2016
PEP, PrEP and other Biomedical Interventions: HIV 201**	April 15, 2016
Comprehensive Condom	April 19, 2016
Motivational Interviewing	April 20-21, 2016
Enhanced Outreach	April 25-26, 2016
STI 101: Understanding Sexually Transmitted Infections	April 28, 2016

May 2016	
Training	Date(s)
Group Process & Facilitation Skills	May 4 – 5, 2016
Hepatitis C 101: Understanding Hepatitis C	May 10, 2016
HIV 101: Understanding HIV Infection, Diagnosis & Treatment	May 11, 2016
LGBTQ Sensitivity**	May 12, 2016
STI 101: Understanding Sexually Transmitted Infections	May 13, 2016
Motivational Interviewing	May 16-17, 2016
Fundamentals of HIV Prevention Counseling	May 19-20, 2016
Enhanced Outreach	May 23 -24, 2016
PEP, PrEP and other Biomedical Interventions: HIV 201	May 25, 2016
Delivering Positive HIV Results	May 26, 2016
June 2016	
Training	Date(s)
HIV 101: Understanding HIV Infection, Diagnosis & Treatment	June 2, 2016
PEP, PrEP and other Biomedical Interventions: HIV 201**	June 3, 2016
LGBTQ Sensitivity	June 7, 2016
The Role of the Mental Health Provider in Medication Treatment Adherence	June 8, 2016
Improving Linkage to Care Using the ARTAS Model	June 9 – 10, 2016
Working with Clients Living with HIV/AIDS and Co-Occurring Mental Health Disorders	June 13, 2016
Stigma: Impact on Prevention and Care Services	June 14, 2016
STI 101: Understanding Sexually Transmitted Infections	June 15, 2016
Hepatitis C Rapid Point-of-Care Testing Technology	June 16, 2016
Delivering Positive HIV Results	June 21, 2016
Motivational Interviewing	June 22-23, 2016
HIV Testing	June 24, 2016
Enhanced Outreach	June 27 – 28, 2016
Comprehensive Condom	June 30, 2016

** Courses also offered through DOHMH NYC BHIV Capacity Building Assistance Project(s)



Registration & Attendance Policy

To Register:

Please go to the following link to register for all NYC DOHMH HIV Training and Technical Assistance Program Trainings and Workshops

[T-TAP Training Registration Page](#)

Attendance:

T-TAP works to ensure that your training experience is enjoyable, interactive and relevant to your work. Your participation is important, so we ask that you make every effort to attend if you have registered for a course. Contact us in advance if you have special needs or require assistance with travel directions.

Security:

All participants must have valid photo identification to enter the DOHMH building.

Lateness:

Please make every effort to arrive on time. For individuals arriving **15 minutes or more late**, based on published start time(s), acceptance into the training will be at the discretion of the training staff. No one will be admitted **30 minutes** after the published start time(s).

Cancellation Policy:

We understand that circumstances may arise that may prevent you from attending a course for which you are registered. If you must cancel, please provide at least a two-day notice. Your advance notice may enable us to register another person in your place. If you are calling after normal business hours (9am-5pm), you may leave a cancellation message on the T-TAP voicemail. You can reach the T-TAP administrative offices via the phone, email or fax listed below.

PLEASE NOTE CONTACT INFORMATION:

- **Phone:** (347) 396- 7701
- **E- mail address:** TTAP@health.nyc.gov
- **Fax number:** (347) 396- 7791

T-TAP reserves the right to cancel training under the following circumstances:

- When weather is so severe as to pose a risk to travelers;
- The NYC transit system is severely affected;
- Class size is too small to ensure an effective training experience; and
- Staff resources are diverted during emergencies as mandated by the NYCDOHMH.

If a scheduled training must be canceled, T- TAP will make every effort to contact you as far in advance as possible.

Confirmation Letters:

Once you are registered, you will receive a confirmation email containing the date(s), time(s) and other relevant information.

Letters and Certificates of Attendance:

Letters of attendance and certificates of completion are provided after successful completion of the training. The criteria for which certificates are awarded vary from training to training.



T- TAP Application – Getting Started

Please follow the steps below to successfully register for training or workshop.

STEP 1: To begin the registration process please go to the T- TAP REGISTRATION PAGE at <http://www.cvent.com/d/dfqknj/4W>

Registration will begin on December 14, 2015.

STEP 2: Enter your information into the T- TAP Cvent registration system.

STEP 3: Enter the T- TAP courses or workshops you would like to attend.

Please Note: Supervisors or applicants may be contacted to verify that prerequisites or equivalent trainings have been completed.

STEP 4: Wait for your confirmation letter and/or email.

Applicants are considered registered only when they receive a confirmation of approval email.

Please Note: Individual staff members will need to register in order to complete all of the mandatory registration fields.

Supervisors will receive e-mail notification(s) for staff members who register for T-TAP Trainings. Supervisory notification is not required for physicians, dentists or other clinicians.

FOR ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE

Please contact:

T-TAP Administrative Staff
New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
Bureau of HIV/AIDS Prevention & Control
Training & Technical Assistance Program
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Long Island City, NY 11101
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ADDITIONAL TRAINING RESOURCES

The New York City Hepatitis C Task Force

<http://nychepbc.org/new-york-city-hepatitis-c-task-force/education-materials/live-training/>

New York City STI/HIV
Prevention Training Center (PTC)

<https://www.nycptc.org/>

NYS Department of Health AIDS Institute
HIV Education & Training Programs

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

NYC Harm Reduction Coalition

<http://www.harmreduction.org>

Cicatelli Associates

<http://www.caiglobal.org>