Welcome!

Leading Change 2015

Family Drug Court Learning Academy Webinar Series
Leading the Way to Best Practice

Family Drug Court Peer Learning Court Program TED-like Talks

Welcome!

11 am – 12:00 pm (PT)
Thursday, August 13, 2015
12:00-12:30 – Virtual Break-outs

Ideas Worth Sharing
FDC Peer Learning Court Selection Process

- Letter of intent
- Application
- Submission of data and outcomes
- Onsite review
- Recognition announcement
FDC Peer Learning Court
Selection Criteria

- Length of Operation
- Evaluation
- Scale
- Scope
- Collaboration
FDC Peer Learning Court Selection Criteria

- 2-year term
- Host 2-4 visiting court teams annually
- Respond to TA requests and engage in peer-to-peer learning activities
- Webinars and presentations
- Share operational documents
- Maintain current best practice operations
FDC Peer Learning Court Program

Please visit: http://www.cffutures.org/plc or contact us: fdc@cffutures.org
Today’s Format

5  Power Presentations about an FDC best practice idea

10 Minutes or less – so listen closely

2 Virtual Break-Out Rooms – Conference Line #s provided at the conclusion
Today’s Line-Up

Comparison Groups – John Dantzler
Judicial Leadership – Hon. Bill Owens
Judicial Succession – Penny Clodfelter

Modeling Support Systems – Joni Strange
Recovery Support – Jill Murphy

Download their Program Profiles in Handouts Box
Compared to What?
The Importance of Comparison Groups in FDC Evaluation

John Dantzler, PhD
Family Drug Court
Jefferson County, Alabama
Use of comparison groups in FDC evaluation

• Forms of program evaluation
  • Needs assessments – determine need for program
  • Process evaluation – determine fidelity to program plan
  • Cost-Benefit evaluation – determine savings as a result of the program
  • Outcomes evaluations – determine the effect of the program

• Two ingredients in Outcomes Evaluations
  • What = outcome measure
  • How = design

• Comparison designs
  • Compare results to a benchmark
  • Compare results to another group
Comparison Designs

• Fair
  • Pre – post testing (single group design)

• Good
  • Post testing with comparison to benchmark

• Better
  • Comparison to a cohort
    • Bronze: previous clients or present clients in a non-FDC court
    • Silver: matched previous clients or present clients in a non-FDC court

• Best
  • Placement of current clients into treatment groups
    • Gold: convenience placement into groups (quasi-experimental)
    • Platinum: randomized placement into groups (experimental)
Jefferson County FDC Results

Average Number of Days Until Permanency

- Comparison Children: 1254.8 days
- JCFDC Program Children: 408.94 days

At $15 per day per child for foster care reimbursement this difference equates to a savings of $12,687.90 per child.

Percent of Positive Drug Test Results

- FDC: Decreasing trend from Intake to Month 12
- All DHR 3-Years Prior to FDC: Decreasing trend from Intake to Month 12
The Importance of the Judicial Leadership
Reflections from the FDC Bench

Honorable William Owens
Family Treatment Court
Wapello County, Iowa
Judicial Succession
How to Create a Smooth Transition that Covers all the Bases

Penny Clodfelter, LCSW, LMSW
Family Treatment Court
Jackson County, Missouri
Planning

• It’s never too early
• Develop a contingency strategy
• A flexible timetable is key
• Ask for help!
Process

- Your team should be aware of the plan
- Community partners need to be involved
- Create a positive message
- Ask for help!
Transition

• Acknowledge change can be emotionally charged
• Orientation
• Memorialize any planned events
• Reassure the clients over and over
• Schedule an informal meeting as soon as possible with the “new team”
• Keep breathing!!
• ASK FOR HELP!
To Join the Post-Webinar Conference Call Discussion

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Group A

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Walking the Talk
Three Ways How Our FDC Models a Support System for Those We Serve

Joni Strange
Family Dependency Treatment Court
Chatham County, Georgia
Marian: Chatham County FDTC Graduate
Building a Community Support System

Identify the members
- Who contributes?
- Team is dynamic
- Client driven

Equality in relationship
- Equal investment
- Consistent communication
- Quarterly partnership meetings
Building a Community Support System (cont.)

Accountability
• Assess progress and barriers
• Assign goals
• Follow up

Knowledge/Guidance
• Understand roles or perspectives
• Give information
• Share resources
Recovery Support Specialists & Peer Support
Why Your FDC Needs Them

Jill Murphy, MA, LICSW
Family Dependency Treatment Court
King County, Washington
Recovery Support - Referral

Regular Dependency:
• Lack of time to listen to the client
• Service referral letter
• Client calls team members

Family Drug Court:
• Approaches client, finds a space to listen to client needs
• Provides warm-hand off of service and basic needs
• Team members reach out to client to follow up with next steps
Recovery Support – Engagement

Treatment Specialist
• Facilitates team meetings
• Connects client to appropriate treatment services

Peer Support
• Translates team messages for client and client concerns for team
• Connects client to sober supports
Recovery Support – Long Term

Treatment Specialist
• Plans for recovery sustainability after FDC
• Available to help even after program completion

Peer Support
• Prepares client for relapse prevention plan use and life after FDC
• Connects parent to alumni group
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Thank you!

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