

## **Effective Technical Assistance**

Many States invest in training and technical assistance (T/TA) to strengthen the foundations of their substance misuse prevention efforts and grow and innovate those efforts. This ensures that programs are effective, sustainable, and capable of adapting to changing needs and challenges while reducing the risk of program failure and increasing the likelihood of achieving positive outcomes.

At EDC, we understand that the key ingredients for effective T/TA are well-trained staff equipped with the knowledge and skills to build trusting relationships, assess needs, and translate complex ideas into actionable knowledge.

## We have long known:

- Technical assistance in substance misuse prevention is a vital component of state systems' efforts to combat substance misuse
- Enhancing the workforce's capacity ensures the use of evidence-based practices and promotes policy and system-level changes.
- There is not one size fits all when it comes to T/TA models that states can develop to best meet their unique needs
- Building the capacity of T/TA providers is best accomplished by experienced professionals with extensive knowledge in delivering and teaching about T/TA.

**Contact Us:** To learn more about how Prevention Solutions can support your efforts, go to: <u>Solutions.edc.org</u>

## **Our Services**

- Consultation services on developing and/or enhancing an emerging or existing T/TA system, including facilitating a strategic planning process.
- The delivery of T/TA-related workforce training, such as T/TA Fundamentals, Effective Instructional Design,
  Facilitation Skills, the Art and Science of Assessing TA needs, and T/TA methods,
- Coaching for T/TA providers. Individual and group coaching sessions for T/TA providers on topics such as engaging, the unengaged, matching TTA methods to existing needs, and troubleshooting TA challenges.

Prevention Solutions at EDC provides training and expert consultation to support public health agencies and organizations working to prevention substance misuse and related behavioral health problems in their communities.