



# Making Data Work For You

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# BEFORE WE BEGIN...

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# Introductions and Objectives



- Dr. Christina Lanier, Co-Director, National Drug Court Resource Center (NDCRC)
- Dr. Kristen DeVall, Co-Director, National Drug Court Resource Center (NDCRC)
- Objectives:
  - 1) Why collect data?
  - 2) What type of data should be recorded?
  - 3) What do I do with the data I have collected?

# Role of Data Collection & Program Evaluation in THWC











## Tribal 10 Key Components

#8: Process measurement, performance measurement, and evaluation are tools used to:

- monitor and evaluate the achievement of program goals,
- identify needed improvements to the Tribal Healing to Wellness Court and to tribal court process,
- determine participant progress, and
- provide information to governing bodies, interested community groups, and funding sources.

# Before data collection...



-  What are the goals of your program?
-  How will you measure those goals?
-  What data will you need to assess/evaluate?
-  From whom will you get these data?
-  How will you track the data?
-  Who is responsible for tracking/entering the data?
-  How often will you review the data?
-  To whom will you present data?

# Data Collection Plan



Goal/Outcome?	Measure(s)?	Data Needed?	Who has the data?	How will you track the data?	Who will track/ enter data?	How often review?	Share with?

# Data Collection: The Why, The What, & The How?



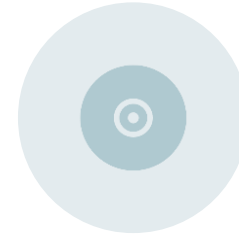
ARE WE  
SCREENING AN  
ADEQUATE  
NUMBER?  
REFERRAL  
SOURCES?  
IF NUMBERS ARE  
DOWN, WHY?



IMPROVE  
PROGRAM;  
HIGHLIGHT  
SUCCESSSES;  
SELL THE  
PROGRAM



DECISIONS  
BASED ON  
DATA...NOT  
ASSUMPTIONS!



TARGET  
POPULATION?



IDENTIFY GAPS  
IN SERVICES

# Data Collection: The What?



## At program entry/referral.....

- Gender
- Sexuality
- Race
- Ethnicity
- Age
- Marital status
- # of children
- Education level
- Employment status
- Housing status





# Data Collection: The What?

## At program entry/referral...

- Precipitating offense
- Substance use history
  - Age @ first use of drugs & alcohol
- Involvement in CJS
  - Age @ first arrest
  - # of prior misdemeanors & felonies
- Referral source/date
- Screening results/date
- Assessment results/date
  - Risk/need
  - Clinical
- Status of entry (enrolled; not enrolled and why)
- Entry date

# Data Collection: The What?

## **During program...**

- Treatment information (type, duration, attendance)
- Drug/alcohol screens (date, results)
- Incentives and sanctions
- Community service (if applicable)
- New charges/PVs
- Dates for advancement to next phase
- Recovery support services received (type & #)
- Case management sessions attended
- Court review hearing attendance

# Data Collection: The What?



## At program exit...

- Discharge date
- Disposition type (if unsuccessful, reason)
- Education status
- Employment status
- Housing status
- Outcome of precipitating offense
- In-program recidivism (note: post-program recidivism would also be measured after separation from the program)

# Data Collection: The How?



## Data Collection Tools:

- Data collection sheet → see handout
  - Good to have a paper copy
- Excel database
  - Capture participant information from referral through discharge
  - Will allow for aggregate analyses

\*Importance of knowing “how you are measuring” before data collection

# Data Collection: The How?



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TLPI presentation data collection workbook

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
					Case Management Session Date	Attended y/n		Treatment Session date	# tx hours received									
1	Urine screen Date	UA result	Positive UA notes															
2	2/2/19	positive	methamphetamine		2/3/19	yes		2/2/19	2									
3	2/4/19	negative			2/10/19	yes		2/9/19	1									
4					3/17/19	no		2/16/19	1									
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# Evaluation: The Why, The What, & The How?



## Common Questions:

- What's the length of time between referral & THWC program entry?
  - What is the THWC **graduation** rate?
  - What is the THWC **retention** rate?
  - How long do participants spend in the THWC?
  - Are participants spending the anticipated amount of time in each phase of the THWC?
  - How much & what type of treatment do THWC participants receive?
  - Are participants being tested for drugs/alcohol a minimum of 2x per week while enrolled?
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- Process and Outcome evaluations

# Logic Model

<u>RESOURCES</u>	<u>ACTIVITIES</u>	<u>OUTPUTS</u>	<u>OUTCOMES</u>	<u>GOALS</u>
<p><b><u>Service Providers:</u></b>            THWC Team members            Treatment Provider(s)</p> <p><b><u>Program Settings:</u></b>            THWC office            Courtroom            Treatment provider location            Ancillary service provider locations</p> <p><b><u>Collaborations:</u></b>            (list specific partners)            Employment services            Education services            Housing services</p> <p><b><u>Funding Sources:</u></b>            Private foundation            BJA federal grant            Tribal funds</p> <p><b><u>Participants:</u></b>            (criteria for participation)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Screening (list tools used)</li> <li>• Clinical Assessment (list tool used)</li> <li>• Case management meetings</li> <li>• Drug/alcohol testing</li> <li>• Referrals to Recovery Support Services               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Housing</li> <li>○ Employment</li> <li>○ Education</li> <li>○ Parenting</li> <li>○ Spiritual</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Treatment Sessions</li> <li>• Court sessions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1x per client, lasting 1 hour each</li> <li>• 1x per client, lasting 2 hours each</li> <li>• 1x per week per client, lasting 30 minutes each</li> <li>• min. 2x per week</li> <li>• as needed</li> <li>• as directed by treatment provider</li> <li>• 1x per week P1; bi-weekly P2-3; 1x per month P4</li> </ul>	<p>Decrease participant's substance abuse through treatment programming &amp; testing</p> <p>Increase participant's mental health stability through mental health treatment</p> <p>Increase quality of life among participants through education and employment (life skills) programming as well as housing resources.</p> <p>Decrease recidivism among participants.</p>	<p>Increase community safety.</p>



# Sharing the good news (and the not-so-good news)!



Develop a consistent reporting schedule among staff

- Frequent review and update of data is key!

Use the Tribal Key Components to guide internal conversations

- Identify the data that answers the questions

Data-driven decision making

- Use results to allocate resources

Decide what audiences should hear what information

- Who are the stakeholders?

Decide when the information should be shared

- Set a realistic timeline for dissemination

# Data Collection & Evaluation In Changing Times



- Keep records (e.g., dates) of when changes in the program took place
- May need to look at referrals by month to account for changing times
- More positive drug/alcohol screens have been noted → think about your program's response (if applicable)
- Opportunity to review current data collection process

# TRIBAL HEALING TO WELLNESS COURTS NATIONAL SURVEY



- First biennial survey of Tribal Healing to Wellness Courts (THWC) in the nation.
- better understand how THWC are structured, how they operate, the outcomes produced (e.g., graduation rate), challenges experienced, resources needed, etc.
- In appreciation for your time and effort, the NDCRC will provide you with a copy of the report, as well as a summary report of your THWC information that includes relevant U.S. Census Bureau, FBI Uniform Crime Report Data, CDC overdose data, & SAMHSA substance use and mental health data.
- The link to the online survey will be sent on Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup> via email from the NDCRC. We will have many opportunities to ask questions and get assistance with completing the survey.
- Don't miss your opportunity to be included in the census of THWC.

# Questions



- If you have a questions, please type in your questions in the Q&A box

# Evaluation



Please remember to fill out the workshop evaluation.

Workshop Information:

Wednesday, September 30, 2020

9:30 AM - 10:45 AM

C1: Making Data Work for You



# THANK YOU!

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