

## Technical Assistance Activities for the Addiction Care Program What to Expect in 2017!

Maine Quality Counts (QC) will be providing technical assistance and support to all of the grantees in the Addiction Care Program. This will include:

- Facilitation and educational content for two grantee meetings (with a potential third meeting occurring in 2018)
- Grantee self-assessment tool to help identify technical assistance needs as well as assets and resources that can be shared amongst the other grantees
- Tailored technical assistance plans for each grantee
- Provision of tailored educational approaches, peer coaching and support to each grantee, based on their identified needs and complementary to what exists within grantee organizations/networks
- Access to an updated, online MAT toolkit that includes standardized tools, templates, and educational resources, along with support for leveraging and sharing new and existing tools
- Regular opioid policy updates and identification of policy-related barriers and challenges

### Grantee Meetings

May 31, 2017  
10 am – 3 pm  
Hallowell, ME

September 13, 2017  
10 am – 3 pm  
Hallowell, ME

In-person educational sessions incorporating peer sharing and learning.

### Self-Assessment Tool

This tool is designed to show your current status along several dimensions of care and to stimulate conversations among your team members to promote learning and support planning exercises.

Responses are due to QC by 6/23/17.

### Technical Assistance

QC will develop a Technical Assistance (TA) Plan for this project, to include individualized content for each grantee based on their unique project needs.

The initial Technical Assistance Plan will be circulated in August.

### OPTIONAL RESOURCES!

QC also has several optional resources and opportunities available to grantees.

QC has received funding from the Harvard Pilgrim Quality Grants program to support primary care practices in strengthening their behavioral health integration in support of MAT. Participants will have access to monthly case conferencing webinars, coaching and help with community resource mapping.

You are also invited to join the Caring for ME Leadership meeting that convenes the second Wednesday of each month from 9-10 am via a virtual meeting platform to discuss activities related to opioid prescribing and MAT. This meeting brings together leaders and community stakeholders to provide updates on current initiatives, share challenges and successes and discuss opportunities for alignment.

This group also provides valuable feedback and strategic direction for all of QC's opioid related initiatives.

### Individual Support and Peer Coaching

The tailored technical assistance approaches will be incorporated into the TA Plan in September, once the results of the self-assessment tool are received and analyzed and feedback from the evaluation team can be incorporated.

Ad hoc requests for support and technical questions can be directed to QC for coordination.

### MAT Toolkit

The initial toolkit will be presented at the first grantee meeting. An online version of the toolkit will be available in mid-June.

The toolkit will be updated throughout the project to include new tools, and leverage existing tools from each of the grantees.

### Policy Updates

Regular policy updates will be provided by the Maine Medical Association (MMA).

The MMA also offers on-site opioid related training via the MICIS program. For more info or to schedule a training, email the MMA at: [academicdetailing@mainemed.com](mailto:academicdetailing@mainemed.com)

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