

Rebooting Evaluation: From Tedious Exercise to Essential Change Agent

An Education Event of the Greater Houston Behavioral Health Affordable Care Act Initiative

The Council on Alcohol and Drugs Houston, 303 Jackson Hill, Houston, TX 77007

Thursday, April 24, 2014

12:30 Registration Check-in

1:00 Welcome and Introductions

1:10 Rebooting Evaluation: From Tedious Exercise to Essential Change Agent

Speaker: Dr. Toni Watt, Professor of Sociology at Texas State University

Whether you have only started to dip your toe in the outcome-based evaluation pool or you are mid to upstream in moving to a program evaluation plan that will enable you to provide the highest quality service you can to your clients, this session will help you calculate where you are in the design and implementation of a strong, information-rich evaluation effort and identify the next steps in reaching that goal. With the Affordable Care Act ultimate goal of high quality health care for everyone in a marketplace environment of consumer choice, it will be vital for agencies to be able to show effective, affordable outcomes, and that can only be done through strong, outcome-based evaluation.

Our expert for this intensive session is Dr. Toni Watt, Professor of Sociology at Texas State University, who has years of experience in assisting providers with the design of their evaluations. Most recently she has served as the statewide evaluation consultant to the Hogg Foundation for Mental Health's Integrated Health Care Planning and Implementation Grantees and is thus ideally suited to provide BHACA with training grounded in an understanding of the ACA and integrated health care in particular.

This training is targeted at any and all staff who will be working on the design (based on your agency's mission and outcome goals), data collection (instrument selection/creation and data collection and entry), and data analysis (interpretation and reporting) for your agency.

Opportunities for Questions and Answers will be included in this presentation.

2:50 Adjournment of Formal General Session



3:00 Informal Session for NBHP Member Agencies and Primary Care Clinics Participating in BHACA

This workshop is limited to staff from NBHP member agencies and primary care clinics participating in BHACA. Participants will have the opportunity to dialogue informally with Dr. Toni Watt about next steps in "Rebooting Evaluation."

4:30 Adjournment of Informal Session

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