

Frequently Asked Questions: Adult Multi-Track Training

What is Multi-Track training?

The Treatment Court Institute (TCI), in partnership with the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), developed the multi-track training program for jurisdictions interested in improving their programs. This training is designed to give adult treatment courts the tools necessary to build a program to meet the needs of individuals across the risk-and-need spectrum. Attendees of this training will learn how to build new tracks in existing treatment courts effective for those outside the high-risk/high-need population.

What are the benefits of attending multi-track training?

This training will introduce you to the research behind the multi-track treatment court model and focus on selecting and using risk tools to appropriately screen and assess for criminogenic risks/needs so that practitioners have the information they need to coordinate placement in different programmatic interventions.

What is the cost of participating in the training?

No cost is associated with training participation.

Will the training be held in-person or virtually?

This training will only be offered in a virtual format through Zoom and a training hub.

Are there any additional electronic needs for attendees?

TCI has incorporated SLIDO, which is a QR code-based training interaction tool. The tool operates by capturing a QR code to answer questions and complete feedback/evaluations. The QR code can be accessed by a smartphone or computer that has a camera and internet access.

Will the teams selected for the training be from the same state?

Virtual multi-track training is conducted by time zone; therefore, teams may be from different states within the same time zone. Please note the time zone for which the team is applying. Time zones cannot be changed once the dates are selected. Please select a time zone aligned with your location.

How do team members participate in virtual training?

For optimum audio and video quality, team members will participate in the training on separate computers. To facilitate breakout sessions and conversations, each participant will require access to a camera and microphone. Attendees must be at their computer terminal for the training. Teams who meet as a group in one room will forfeit training.

Is there a maximum number of teams that can participate in the in-person training?
Yes, the training will accommodate a maximum of five teams with two training dates to select from.

How does our jurisdiction apply to participate in the program?

Teams can [submit an application here](#).

Other than the online application, are there other materials my team should submit?
No additional documents are required for your application to be reviewed and your team selected.

How will applications be selected?

Applicants must have been in operation for two (2) or more years and have not participated in and not previously participated in a multi-track training in the last two years.

Who are the required team members?

Judge, prosecutor, defense counsel, court coordinator, community supervision, substance use treatment provider, and law enforcement.

Each team must agree to the following:

- Get a signed commitment from all required team members to fully participate in the training.
- Schedule an application review call with staff from The Treatment Court Institute. This review call should include the program coordinator and judge at a minimum. Others may attend but are not required.
- Review and be familiar with clinical and risk tools utilized by your program.
- Participate in follow up implementation coaching.

If your team cannot agree to these conditions, we will be unable to provide the training. If your team is unable to meet deadlines, it could result in the team being waitlisted.

How will jurisdictions be notified?

TCI will email the judges and coordinators to confirm the team's requested training date no later than January 16, 2024.

When are the trainings scheduled?

Training dates are assigned based on the preselected dates the team identifies during the application process. TCI offers (2) two preselected dates across the two time zones (Central, and Eastern).

Who is the designated point of contact for the team?

The treatment court coordinator normally serves as the team's point of contact for all activities. The point of contact will ensure all relevant information is disseminated to team members in a timely fashion, complete pre-training conference calls, respond to requests for information, and coordinate with TCI staff and faculty.

What are the pre-training activities of the multi-track training?

Each coordinator and judge will participate in an application review call to provide an overview of the program's needs.

What are the post-training requirements?

Approximately three months after the training, the coordinator will receive a post-evaluation to complete. This is completed and returned prior to the follow-up conversation with the project director to schedule a time for an in-person observation of what was implemented by the team based on the action items the team created during the training and determine whether TCI can provide any additional assistance.

When will the agenda be available?

The agenda (subject to change) is available on the [multi-track training webpage here](#).

How many days is the virtual training?

The training is two days. Training begins at 8:30 a.m. and concludes by 4:30 p.m.

Can additional people attend the training?

Yes, additional stakeholders may attend the training as long as they register. To ensure that each team remains manageable for breakouts, a maximum of 12 per team can attend the team breakouts.

Who do I contact for more information about the operational tune-up Training program?

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