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Latest TARCP Recovery Podcast



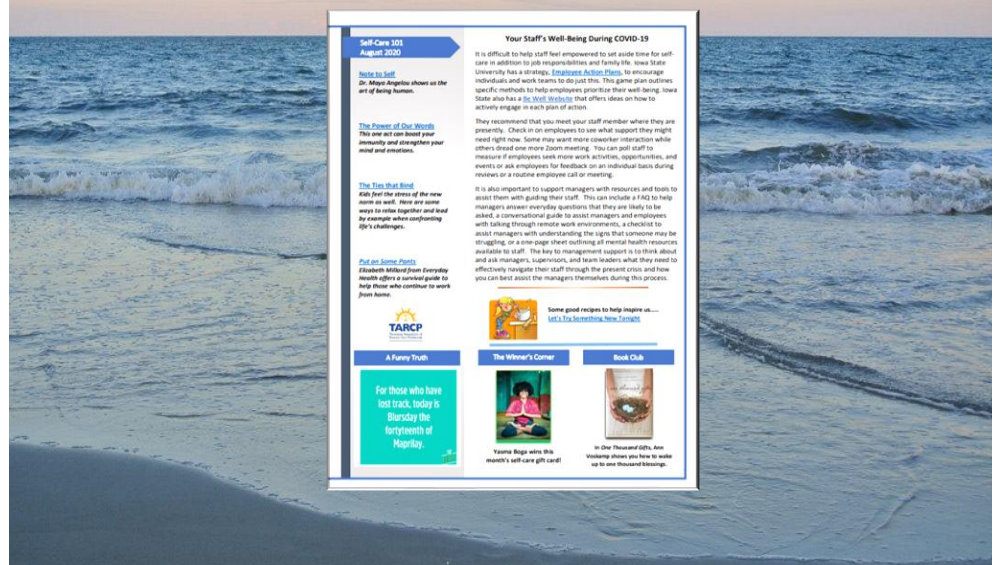
Please go to the below link for a great conversation with Blount County Library Director, K.C. Williams, Education Director, Ari Baker, and Recovery Court Treatment Specialists Stephanie Monday and Stina Nesbit from Blount County. [Recovery Court-Library Collaboration in Blount County](#)

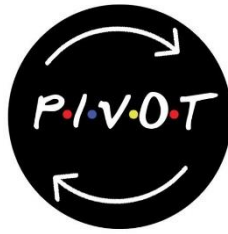
You can find the TARCP interview with Kaylin Flamm, Occupational Therapist, 16th Judicial District Recovery Courts, Murfreesboro, TN at [Kaylin Flamm 16th Judicial District Recovery Courts](#)

You can find all podcasts at tarcp.org/podcast. If you have an idea for a podcast topic, please reach out to Marie Crosson at marie.crosson@tarcp.org

Self-Care Series

To view TARCP's Self-Care Series, please go to our website <https://tarcp.org/resource-center#43-self-care-series>





16th Annual TARCP Conference March 30 – April 1, 2021

A big thank you to all members, state agencies, non-profits, and sponsors who walked with us into the virtual unknown, showing that no matter what life brings, we can meet in the middle and thrive!

From the beginning you chose humor to meet the COVID-19 challenge, with the Recovery Court of Sumner County pulling together the perfect conference kick-off with a “Zoom Staffing” video, showing us all we can endure with a grin. There were great speakers, sessions, and breakouts. We also said goodbye to a dear colleague and friend, Ellen Abbott, remembering her years of service, intertwining those professional highlights with personal memories to add a few more smiles and bittersweet tears to this year’s conference.



Above picture is from the Recovery Court of Sumner County “Zoom Staffing” video, reenacting what many of us experience as we navigate through this pandemic together. All “actors” are Sumner County Judges, Sumner County Recovery Court Staff, and Sumner County Recovery Court Participants. The video was edited by Christopher Lee Herod of Christopher Lee Herod Films with music by Kevin Macleod. [Click here to view.](#)

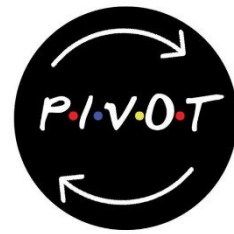
**TARCP introduced
the Ellen L. Abbott
Vanguard Award**



**In Memory of
Ellen L. Abbott
1965-2021**

**Director of the Office of Criminal Justice Services with the
Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services**

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Left: Commissioner Marie Williams, Governor Bill Lee, Dr. Marie Crosson, and Rebekah Provost-Emmons moving into Day Two of the conference!

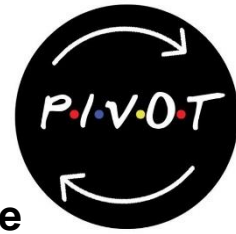
Below Left: Administrative Office of the Courts discussing their initiatives!

Below Right: Paul Cary, Rebekah Provost-Emmons, and Rachel Roden during the "Drug Testing Specimens: The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly" session





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Conference Drawing Winners

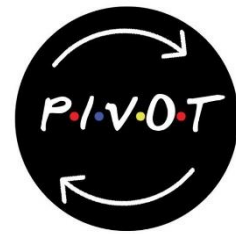
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Amanda Snapp, Derrick Johnson, Carol Copley, Sandy Schefcik,
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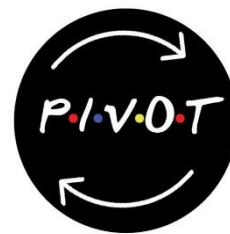
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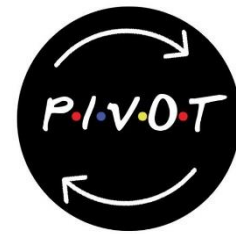
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TIMBI TALKS

Addiction is a family disease, but few resources are devoted to the treatment and healing of the youngest victims, children in the family. Timbi Talks About Addiction is directed at arming these youngest victims and their caregivers with tools and resources to protect against and mitigate the effect of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs).

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Connecting Your Team During Adversity

Case Management, Treatment Group & Court Video Sessions, Client Check-ins, Private Two-way Messaging, Mobile Surveillance, & Drug Testing Randomization

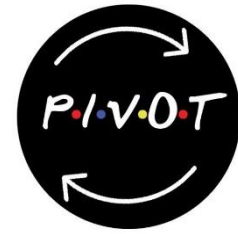
The judges for the 9 **Northeastern Judicial Circuit Accountability Courts** and Winner of the 2021 Georgia state, **"Data Driven Award"** all agree that Connexis was well worth the \$250 per month (per court)

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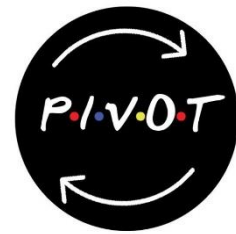


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MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

Connecting with Each Other & Supporting Positive Outcomes



May is Mental Health Awareness Month. From now until the end of June, CourtFact—through its partner Total Court Services—is offering access to their full suite of accountability tools **FREE to all TARCP members**.

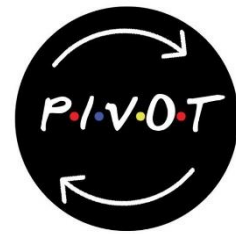
CourtFact is a suite of products consisting of a **participant-facing smartphone application & web portal** along with an **intuitive** responsive, web-based **agency-focused** software platform that allows courts and agencies to **communicate with and monitor** compliance of their participants during each and every stage of their **recovery and community supervision**.

To learn more go to <https://courtfact.com/cases/> or directly contact Jake Hillgoth
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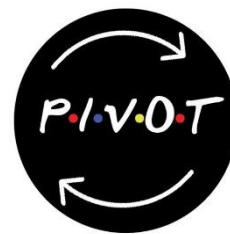
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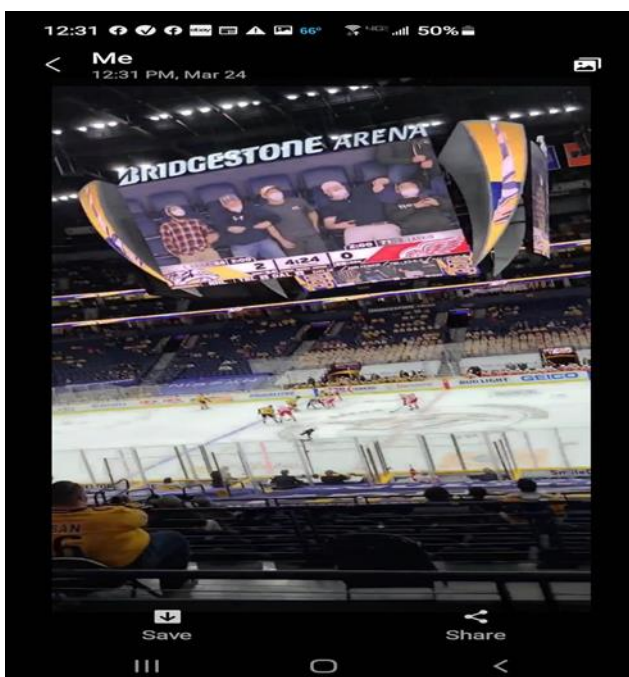
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Recovery Court Achievements From Across the State

McNairy County Recovery Court



McNairy County Recovery Court had their first graduates on March 11, 2021. The first two graduates are third and fourth from the left in the above picture. The remaining individuals are part of the Recovery Court team, with Judge Van McMahan on the far right



23rd District Drug Court

The 23rd District Drug Court's enthusiastic participants were spotlighted three times on the Predator's Jumbotron during the March 23, 2021 game. Participants enjoy sharing their sobriety with one another!

Recovery Court Achievements From Across the State

21st District Recovery Court



After their court session on April 13th, one of the participants approached Judge Martin, who was still on the bench, and told him she just bought an electric scooter. She was so excited about having transportation and asked if he wanted to see the scooter. Judge Martin met her in the parking lot with other members from the Recovery Court and she proudly presented her scooter, explaining how she was using it to make her appointments. Judge Martin was very happy for her and suggested that she needed to have a helmet (which will be provided) and encouraged her diligence in problem solving her transportation barriers. The Recovery Court's team believes these small acknowledgments from Judge Martin are very significant and appreciate his heart for the participants and their recovery.

Lincoln County Recovery Court

March 19, 2021 marks the one-year anniversary of Beano's Kitchen in Park City, Tennessee. The owner, Todd Bean, is a graduate of the Lincoln County Recovery Program. Todd not only changed his life, but also the lives of each and every family member around him. You could see it in the smiles on the day of this most special milestone!



Recent Recovery Court Achievements From Across the State

14th Judicial District



Judge Johnson Retiring from Tennessee Military Department

Brigadier General and 14th Judicial District Circuit Judge L. Craig Johnson, whose long and distinguished service in the military culminated with his appointment as Commander of the Tennessee State Guard in 2016, has retired from that post. Judge Johnson first joined the guard at the age of 18 in 1983. He was commissioned as an engineer in 1985 and has been deployed to Saudi Arabia and Iraq. He earned his law degree from the University of Tennessee College of Law in 1990, and after several years in private practice, was elected to the 14th Judicial District bench in 1998. The announcement of his retirement from the state noted that as a judge he has made it a priority to help veterans struggling with substance use disorders and mental health issues. He has served over the Coffee County Veterans Treatment Court since its founding in 2016. Though he is stepping down from the guard, he will continue serving as a judge.

Recovery Court Achievements From Across the State

DeKalb County Recovery Court



If you heard a lot of clapping and noise coming from the courthouse of the DeKalb County Recovery Court on April 14, 2021, it was their first in-court with ALL phases appearing together on the same day! Some court participants were phasing up, some preparing to graduate, some entering the program, and others receiving their license. Through trying and difficult times, these participants and team members have remained solid and recovery strong!

Training Opportunities

TARCP Lunchtime Learning Series

May 26, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. to Noon CDT

National Best Practice IV: Incentives, Sanctions, and Therapeutic Adjustments
Presented virtually, please go to [TARCP Lunchtime Learning Series](#) to register.

June 30, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. to Noon CDT

National Best Practice II: Equity and Inclusion
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July 28, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. to Noon CDT

National Best Practice VI: Complimentary Treatment and Social Services
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August 25, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. to Noon CDT

National Best Practice VII: Drug and Alcohol Testing
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September 29, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. to Noon CDT

National Best Practice VIII: Multidisciplinary Teams
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October 27, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. to Noon CDT

National Best Practice IX: Census and Caseloads
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December 29, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. to Noon CDT

National Best Practice X: Monitoring and Evaluation
Presented virtually, please go to [TARCP Lunchtime Learning Series](#) to register.



Additional Training Opportunities

Dancing with the Dragon: Building Resilience in the Midst of Adversity

May 14, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. to Noon CDT

This virtual training reflects that we live in challenging times, without question. A one-hundred years pandemic, illness and death, social, political and economic disruption, isolation, climate change, and global instability have all combined to create even more stress in our already hectic lives. Clearly, our resilience is being tested. Fortunately, resilience is a skill that can be learned. In fact, it is in the midst of adversity that resilience is developed. [Click here to register.](#)

Ethics in Prevention

May 26, 2021 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. CDT

In-person course of study in ethics in substance abuse prevention for entry-level and experience prevention practitioners. Based on the Prevention Think Tank's Prevention Code of Ethics' Six Principles. Provides knowledge and skills regarding ethical responsibilities and practices, including the use of a formalized ethical decision-making process. This course offers an introduction to ethics, the six principles of the Prevention Code of Ethics, and application of the ethical decision-making process. [Click here to register.](#)

Turning Pain into Power and Grief into Peace

June 11, 2021 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. CDT

This virtual training is for clergy, faith-based leaders, and lay leaders to address death, loss, and transition. Also, we will discuss resources in the community and ways of closing gaps with supports to meet the needs of others. [Click here to register.](#)



SAVE THE DATE !

Lauren Allard of Allard Consulting, LLC will be conducting two 1.25 hours webinars on process evaluation and using data to market your recovery court. We encourage directors, coordinators, and the data champions on the recovery court teams to attend these trainings.

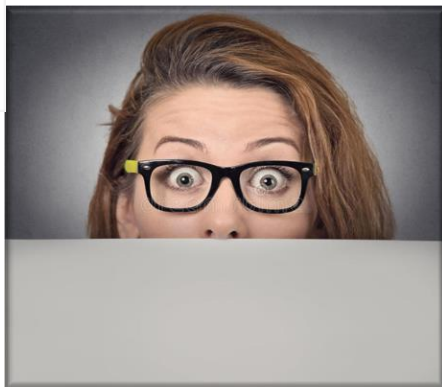
July 7, 2021

11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. CDT

August 11, 2021

11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. CDT

Specific Information and Registration to be Released Soon



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