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Latest TARCP Recovery Podcast



Please go to the below link to listen to Marie Crosson as she has a conversation with Marshall County Recovery Court Judge Lee Bussart. Judge Bussart explains what it's like to build a Recovery Court, including the unexpected challenges as well as the opportunities to serve.

You can find this and all podcasts at [A Recovery Court Podcast](#). If you have an idea for a podcast topic, please reach out to Marie Crosson at marie.crosson@tarcp.org.

Continuum of Choices

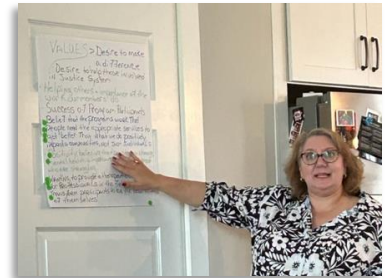


A Monthly TARCP Professional Series



TARCP Strategic Plan Retreat

On July 14th TARCP held a Strategic Plan Retreat at the home of Executive Director Marie Crosson. Everyone appreciated Marie opening her home to us and we enjoyed the company, delicious food, and the opportunity to exchange ideas on how to move TARCP forward and best serve the recovery courts.





21st District Recovery Court

These 4 rocked the stage.



There was a sold-out crowd at the Recovery Court's first singer-songwriter night at the Franklin Theater on April 10th. Tim McGraw, Tom Douglas, Brad Warren, and Brett Warren help raise over \$60,000 for the Recovery Court.



These 4 made it happen.

THE FRANKLIN THEATRE



On May 17th our Recovery Court received a \$5,000 grant from the Predators.



Eat the Street Food Truck Fest at Bicentennial Park in Franklin on June 2nd was a big success!



June graduation accomplishments were celebrated!





Montgomery County Veterans Treatment Court

In May everyone gathered at Prime Fitness for the annual All Rise For Exercise event at Downtown Commons. This was the largest event to date and a big shout out to Prime Fitness!



May also brought 26 graduates who are now PHASE V-VTC For Life!

In July, the Recovery Court Division of the Montgomery County Adult Probation Department held a graduation ceremony to recognize 17 individuals who completed Recovery Court requirements. County Mayor Wes Golden, City Mayor Joe Pitts, and keynote speaker Dr. Stephen Loyd were in attendance.



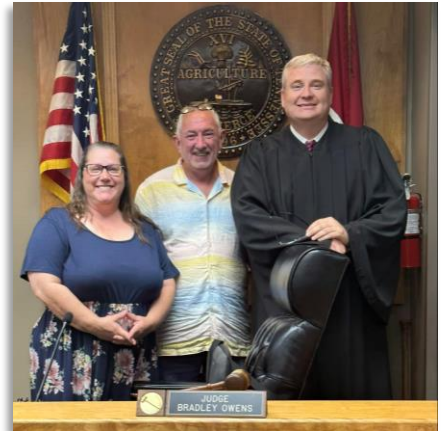
There were 15 graduates who completed the program and moved to Phase V - VTC For Life in August!



Gibson County Recovery Court



In May, Milan and Gibson County Recovery Courts met for a cookout and day of relaxation.



Case Manager Mike Scott has joined our Recovery Court team in July as our new case manager!

Funding provided by TDMHSAS gives Gibson County Recovery Court the opportunity to provide needed school supplies for our court families. The thank you picture sent to us from Paris, Payzleigh and Penelope is worth a thousand words.

And the summer offered much success as these individuals were promoted through the Recovery Court.





DeKalb County Recovery Court

In May, Representative, Mike Hale attended the graduation of Kyle Denton! On this day, we celebrated graduation, phase up petitions, 1-year sobriety, and MVP of the month, Tiffany Pedigo.



A huge shout out to team member Lary Latzman for celebrating 7 years of sobriety in June! CRC is very thankful for you.



Celebrating those who successfully completed DCRC in July!



Attending the NADCP RISE23 Conference in Houston, TX in June.



August brought more phase up certificates.

17th Judicial District Recovery Courts



Celebrating Phasing Up
in May!



Then Came July!



With August Continuing to Offer Much Promise!





RECOVERY MONTH 2023

September is National Recovery Month

September is National Recovery Month, bringing awareness and education on substance use treatment and behavioral health services. National Recovery Month establishes the importance of good mental health to our overall health and gives the courts another opportunity to show individuals and families that prevention and treatment work.

Recovery Month is a means we can use to reflect on the work of our courts, offering examples of the hard work we see from our participants each day, the fruits of their labor in real time. Through these life stories we can give those in need of treatment hope to try, or maybe to try again. We can do this through direct and indirect actions of the court, by example of self, and by reflection of court participants who came before those who stand in front of us.

In June of 2020 the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) announced they will no longer convene Recovery Month stakeholders or continue to develop themes, assets, or the events calendar. Fortunately, Faces and Voices of Recovery stepped in, developing a new Recovery Month website to host all Recovery Month events and assets.

Faces and Voices of Recovery have made the theme “Every Person. Every Family. Every Community.” as the permanent tagline. Go to [Recovery Month 2023 Toolkit](#) for more information. Share your stories on your social media to show individuals and families across the state that treatment is effective and recovery is a community. Don’t forget to use **#RecoveryMonth!**



ADDICTION PROFESSIONALS ARE AMAZING!

NATIONAL ADDICTION PROFESSIONALS DAY

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2023

#ADDICTIONPROFESSIONALSDAY



National Addiction Professionals Day was started by NAADAC in 1992 and will be celebrated on September 20th as part of National Recovery Month. On this day we can recognize the diligent work of addiction professionals.

Go to [2023 National Addiction Professionals Day Outreach Toolkit](#) for more information. This toolkit offers tips on acknowledging the professionals we work with by using newsletters, social media, websites, blogs, etc. It also encourages professionals to offer their own stories, sharing what your work means to you, and how important your work is to the communities and courts you serve. Don’t forget to use **#AddictionProfessionalsDay!**



Accepting Nominations for the Ellen L. Abbott Vanguard Award Now through October 27, 2023



The Ellen L. Abbott Vanguard Award

This award goes to a **person, team, or organization** meeting the following criteria:

- A demonstrated leader/advocate in criminal justice reform/reform implementation. Can be related specifically to recovery courts but not a requirement.
 - Has been instrumental in the implementation of a Criminal Justice Reform initiative or advocacy project.
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- Demonstrates the qualities of a vanguard: the forefront of an action or movement; the group of people who are the leaders of an action or movement; the soldiers ... that are at the front of a fighting force that is moving forward.
 - Submitted by a TARCP Member.

Words synonymous with vanguard include:

forefront, van, advance guard, avant-garde, spearhead, front, front line, front rank, fore, lead, leading position, cutting edge, driving force, leaders, founders, founding fathers, pioneers, architects, creators, instigators, trailblazers, pathfinders, avant-gardists, trendsetters, innovators, groundbreakers.

Please describe in detail how your nominee meets the criteria of the award. Your nomination must be thorough enough for the review committee to understand why the nomination was submitted.


Nominations without explanation or detail about the nominee will not be considered. Please submit a photo of the person or people (if possible) with the entry. **All nominations must be sent to nomination@tarcp.org no later than October 27, 2023 by 6:00 p.m. CST.**

The award review committee of the TARCP Board will review the nominations and make a recommendation to the board. The winner will be announced at the Awards Luncheon at the TARCP Conference on Thursday, December 7th.

Liz Ledbetter was given the first Ellen L. Abbott Vanguard Award in 2022. She and Ellen worked together for many years to expand and support recovery courts across Tennessee.



REGISTRATION OPENS SEPTEMBER 5th

A green poster for the TARCP CON 2023 20th Anniversary Celebration. The background is dark green with white fireworks and stars. The text "The Tennessee Association of Recovery Court Professionals" is at the top, followed by "TARCP CON 2023" in large white letters. Below that, "20th Anniversary Celebration" is written in a large, white, cursive font. The dates "December 6-8, 2023" are centered below the main title. At the bottom, there is a logo for TARCP (Tennessee Association of Recovery Court Professionals) featuring a scale of justice and a sunburst. To the left of the logo, it says "Registration Opens September 1" and "For more information, visit www.tarcp.org". To the right of the logo, it says "Embassy Suites", "1200 Conference Center Blvd", and "Murfreesboro, TN". At the very bottom, a small line of text reads "This project is funded with a grant from the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services" and a small logo for the Tennessee Department of Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services is on the right.

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**WE LOOK FORWARD TO
SEEING EVERYONE IN DECEMBER!**



TARCP Lunchtime Learning Series

September 27, 2023 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. CST

Effective Treatment in Recovery Court with DeShona Charles

This presentation will review the five key components to effective Drug Court treatment. It is important that the entire Drug Court team has a stake in treatment success and understand the basics of what should be happening in treatment, along with how it should be integrated into the overall program. Go to [September Lunchtime Learning Series](#) to register.

October 25, 2023 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. CST

Making the Most of the Magic 3 Minutes with Judge Diane Bull

Go to [October Lunchtime Learning Series](#) to register.



Training Opportunities

Neuroscience of Mood Disorder, Shame, Trauma and Substance Use Disorder

Presenter: Merrill Norton, Pharm. D., D.Ph., CMAC

September 26, 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Eastern

AIM Center, 472 W. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Chattanooga, TN 37402

This is a new series of presentations on the latest neuroscientific discoveries of anxiety, depression, fear, shame, trauma, and substance use disorders (SUDs) developed for behavioral health practitioners. Individuals seeking certification as a Certified Addiction Counselor will gain the basic pharmacology of substance use disorders and experienced counselors will develop an understanding of the neuroscience about the "moods" of substance use disorders. Go to [TAADAS Training and Education](#) to register.

Trauma Misinformed Care - Knoxville

James Campbell, LPC, LAC, MAC, AADC

October 4, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Central

United Way of Greater Knoxville, 207 B 1301 Hannah Ave, Knoxville, TN 37921

This course explores of the basics of what it means to be Trauma-Informed as well as common pitfalls and related misunderstandings. Go to [TAADAS Training and Education](#) to register.



Training Opportunities

Ethics and Practical Wisdom

James Campbell, LPC, LAC, MAC, AADC

October 5, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Central

TAADAS Conference Room, 1321 Murfreesboro Pike, Suite 155, Nashville

This session will introduce addiction professionals to ethics as it relates to their relationships with clients, families, employers, and the profession. The importance of confidentiality and the duties and responsibilities of people working within the field will be addressed. Duty to warn, self-disclosure, dual relationship, and differing professional roles will specifically be addressed during the session. Go to [TAADAS Training and Education](#) to register.

Impact of Trauma in Families -- Chattanooga

Presenter: Lucy Cannon, Ed.D., LCSW, LICSW, CAADC, MATS

October 20, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Eastern

AIM Center, 472 W. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Chattanooga, TN 37402

This training examines the root causes of family trauma and offers techniques and best practice treatment models and resources. Go to [TAADAS Training and Education](#) to register.

Motivational Interviewing - Core: 2 Day

Presenter: Alan Lyme, LISW

November 6-7, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Motivational Interviewing (MI) is a collaborative, goal-oriented style of communication with particular attention to the language of change. Participants will review Motivational Interviewing skills and strategies obtained from Core Training to further develop and reinforce the skill set, with particular attention to change-talk. Go to [TAADAS Training and Education](#) to register.

CPRS Supervision Training

November 8, 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM Central

Presenters: TAADAS Staff

Do you supervise Certified Peer Recovery Specialist? The training is to assist clinical supervisors in providing supervision to their CPRS staff. Go to [TAADAS Training and Education](#) to register.



TSPN Statewide Conference

September 25-26
Trevecca Community Church
335 Murfreesboro Pike, Nashville



This 1.5-day conference focuses on system-wide and collaborative approaches to suicide prevention, with an emphasis on implementing the Zero Suicide concept for healthcare providers, first responders, higher education, and other agencies that can serve as gatekeepers for crisis intervention and suicide prevention.

Our keynote presentations and breakout sessions will focus on clinical practices, survivors, and workplace responses associated with the Zero Suicide framework. Go to [Conference Presenters](#) for more information.

We are now approved to offer CEUs for this event!!!

A total of 5.25 hours of CEUs from the National Association of Social Workers' Tennessee chapter (NASW-TN) is available for this conference:

1.25 CEUs for those attending only on Monday
4.0 for people attending only on Tuesday
25 for guests attending both days.

Go to [#UntilZero: TSPN2023](#) to register.



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