

RCORP Planning Grant

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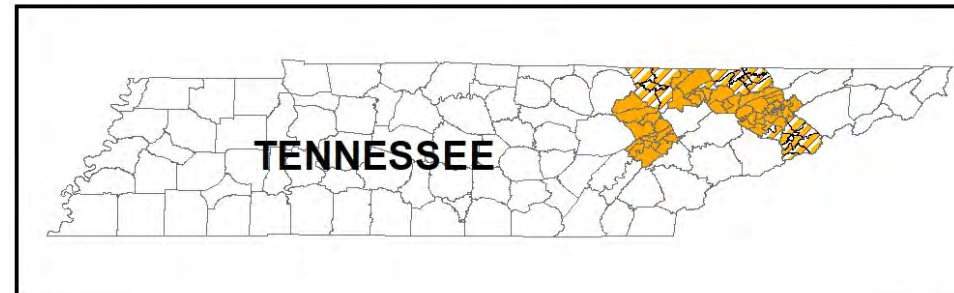
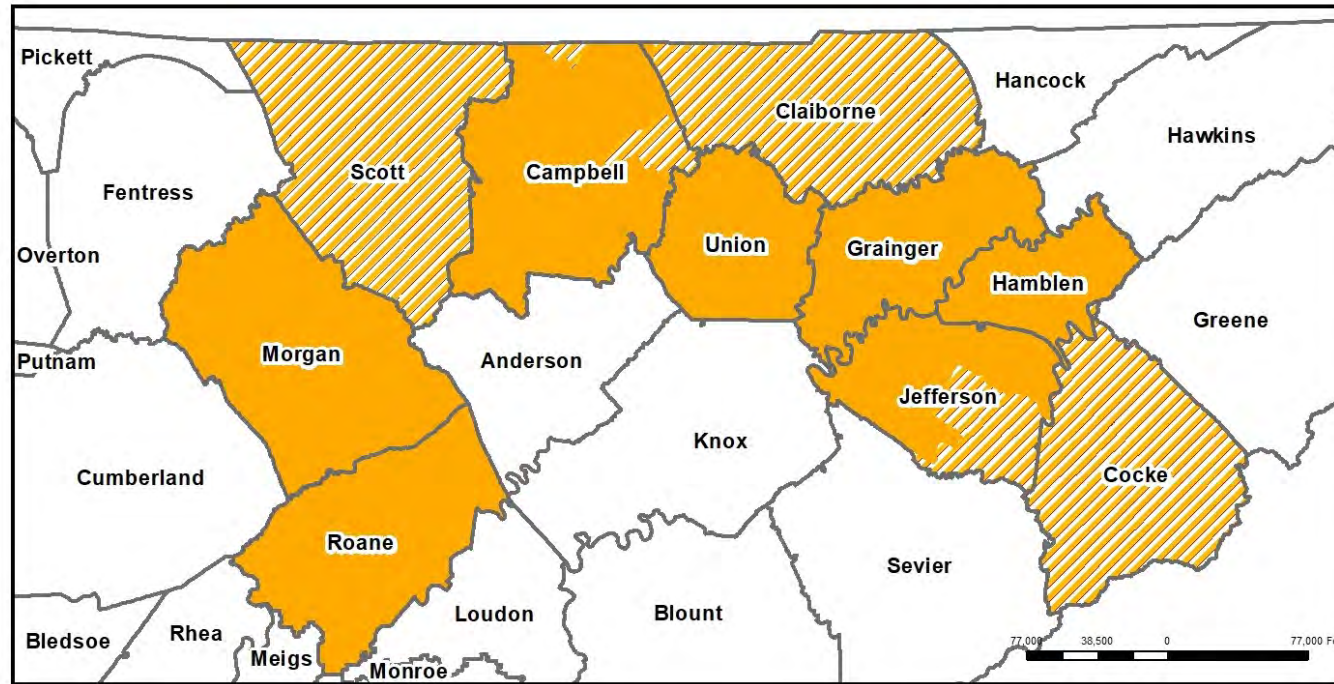


2019

RCORP Planning Grant

- One year (September 30, 2018 – September 29, 2019)
- Charged with:
 - Four Core Activities
 - Community Needs Assessment
 - Strategic Plan
 - Work Force Plan
 - Sustainability Plan
 - Optional Activities
 - Provider Training
 - Naloxone Training for the Community

RCORP-ETC Region



Consortium Representation

- Healthcare Clinics and Providers
- County Leaders
- State Leaders
- Drug Coalitions
- Health Departments
- Faith-based community
- Treatment Centers
- TN Dept of Children's Services
- TN Dept of Corrections
- ORNL
- Judicial System Leaders
- EMS personnel
- People with Lived Experience
- TDOH – State Office of Rural Health

Community Needs Assessment

Co-leads: Dr. Laurie Meschke – UTK Dept of Public Health

Danielle Sims – Knoxville Area Project Access (KAPA) *

- **Existing data:** (Ex: TDOH Drug Overdose Dashboard, Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's County Health Rankings)
- **Two primary data collection efforts:**
 - 1) Community Strengths and Themes Assessment (710 surveys completed looking at community priorities, quality of life, and assets)
 - 2) Local Public Health System Assessment (Discussion groups: region's active organizations and services that promote health, with an emphasis on OUD prevention, treatment, and recovery).

Developing a Strategic Plan

**Co-leads Dr. Laurie Meschke – UTK Dept. of Public Health
Debra & Keith Schultz – Rescue 180**



Mental Health



Stigma Reduction



Treatment and Recovery
Services



MENTAL HEALTH
PROGRAMS

Community/Professional Focused

- Telehealth
- Train-the-trainer for Mindfulness
- SBIRT Screening by Healthcare Providers

Youth Focused

- Youth Mental Health Prevention
- Assessment Study of Youth with NAS
- Parenting Classes



STIGMA
REDUCTION
PROGRAMS

- Digital Storytelling
- Intrinsic Bias/Stigma Reduction Training for Healthcare Providers
- Train-the Trainer Training for Faith Based Communities



TREATMENT &
RECOVERY
SERVICES
PROGRAMS

- Medicaid Enrollment Assistance
- Training for potential MAT providers
- Include MAT in Safety Net coverage

- Strategic Plan still in development.

Developing a Workforce Plan

Co-leads: Dr. Pam Hardesty – UTK College of Nursing *

**Tom Miklusicak – American Job Center, TN Dept. of Labor *
& Workforce Development ***

- **Goals:**

1. Advocate for APRNs to provide full practice authority, including ability to provide MAT, to fill a dire need of practitioners in the RCORP-ETC region.
2. Increase the number of trained practitioners in the region through HRSA National Health Service Corps and other existing programs.
3. Increase number of providers with waiver to prescribe and dispense buprenorphine.
4. Provide recruitment and retention resources and strategies to communities.

- Workforce Plan still in development

Developing a Sustainability Plan

Co-leads: Dr. Sharon Davis – UTK College of Nursing

Stacy Rhodes – Region II Emergency Medical Director's Association

Goals:

- Transition to a new Executive Team/Board of Directors
- Implement the RCORP-ETC Strategic Plan.
- Develop evaluation measurements on activities.
- Develop strategic communication with stakeholders and the public about RCORP-ETC
- Review funding strategies to support the consortium and its key goals.
- Plan early in development.

Optional Activity: Provider Training

**Co-leads: Dr. Sadie Hutson – UTK College of Nursing
Scott Hurst – TN Dept. of Corrections**

- Four sessions: 41 providers
- Provided free CEUs
- Content covered:
 - Chronic brain disease
 - MAT
 - Drug courts
 - ACEs
 - CSMD
 - SBIRT
 - Motivational Interviewing

Optional Activity: Community Engagement

**Co-leads: Dr. Soghra Jarvandi – UTK Extension
Dr. Nan Gaylord – UTK College of Nursing
Terri Sabella – TN Primary Care Association**

- Four Naloxone training sessions
 - Two sessions completed
 - 17 attendees

Communications

Dr. Beth Foster & Dr. Jenny Crowley
UTK College of Communication & Information

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