



## Call to Action! Navigating together for change

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Dear Colleague,

AAAP has been awarded a SAMHSA STR-TA grant to lead a broad coalition of organizations with expertise in the prevention, treatment, and recovery of substance use disorders throughout the country.

Our consortium, known as "STR-TA Consortium" (State Targeted Response-Technical Assistance), is comprised of six core partners working with AAAP:

- Addiction Technology Transfer Center Network (ATTC) - dissemination of substance use disorder training/technical assistance
- Center for Social Innovation (C4) - with expertise in recovery
- Communities for Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA)
- Boston Children's Hospital - with expertise in prevention; Columbia University Medical Center - with addiction and treatment expertise
- Research Triangle International (RTI) - with expertise in monitoring and evaluation.

In addition, over 17 national professional organizations have also signed on as partners to provide technical support. The project officially kicked off Feb. 1, 2018 and we are all committed to collaborating with you, your communities, states and territories to address the opioid use disorder crisis facing this country.

Our goal is to build on earlier collaborations and activities to enhance and augment existing services and resources, and when needed, identify gaps that need to be addressed. We will strive to not ignore, compete or complicate other efforts but fill the gaps and build collaborative working relationships as needed. We hope to avoid duplication or recreating the wheel. There is a lot to accomplish and need your help.

So let's join efforts. If you are interested and willing to be considered as a physician TA consultant in your state, please complete our brief survey: <http://www.event.com/d/btqyk0>. Each consultant who is asked to provide TA support will be paid \$100/hour for up to 10 hours a week. Physicians providing TA for the STR-TA grant must have at least two years of prescribing medications for addictions. *Note: Each TA team will have consultants provide TA for prevention, treatment and recovery.* If you have colleagues with whom you would like to share this link, feel free to do so. Once we receive your information, a clinical expert from the project will review your application along with others and begin choosing TA consultants.

Together we CAN make a difference.

Sincerely,

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