

International Addiction Technology Transfer Center – Ukraine:

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Ukraine - HIV

ATTC

Addiction Technology Transfer Center Network

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Specifics of Ukraine

- The co-evolving epidemics (syndemic) of HIV/AIDS and substance use
- Ukraine has been experiencing one of the most severe HIV epidemics in Europe.
- Drug and alcohol use is the primary drivers of HIV transmission in Ukraine
- Commonly co-occurring infections, such as hepatitis B, hepatitis C, and tuberculosis among persons with HIV and SUDs in Ukraine
- The pressing need to develop a workforce capable to provide state of the art evidence based prevention, treatment and rehabilitation interventions.



Service gaps and barriers

- Soviet-era “narcologic” ideology
- Active war
- Corruption and bureaucracy
- Lack of a government entity charged with the responsibility to oversee SUD/HIV treatment
- Precarious funding
- Absence of national treatment guidelines for integrated HIV/SUD/MH care
- Shortage of staff, insufficient training, and outdated services
- Lack of integration with mainstream primary health care delivery system
- Limited access to MATs



Major recipients of Training/TA

Training,
Technical
Assistance,
Education





Training and Technology Transfer strategies

In-person
Training and
TA (various
lengths and
goals)

ToT

Distant
learning

- ECHO
- Skype case reviews, consultations



Training and Technology Transfer process

Needs
assessment

Advisory
Board review
and priority
setting

Delivery

ToT

Sustainability
Support



Training and Technology Transfer topics

Mental health

Screening and
Brief
Interventions
(Primary Health
Care Settings)

Non-
pharmacological
Interventions
(MI, CBT, TC,
Contingency
Management,
etc)

Relapse
Prevention in
Recovery
Oriented System
of Care

Interventions in
specific
environments
(prisons,
military) and in
specific groups