



North Carolina Training  
& Technical Assistance Center



# WELCOME

**Hello Everyone,**

Join us in welcoming Paige Salters to the field of Prevention as the associate project manager for the Wake Forest School of Medicine's Public Health Sciences Department in North Carolina. She currently provides technical assistance for counties with demonstrated need under the State Opioid Response 3 (SOR3) Youth Prevention Education grant. Effective February 1, 2024, Paige will serve as the technical assistance contact for the COVID-19 Supplemental Grant and the newly funded American Rescue Plan Act Grant.



Paige Salters is an ardent public health and community mental health professional with special interests in trauma psychology. Paige is a graduate of Smith College, where they obtained a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and the Study of Women and Gender.

Paige is passionate about developing tangible resources and infrastructure to support youth's psychosocial development, and the achievement of public health equity for historically marginalized populations.

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## FROM THE DESK OF DMH/DD/SUS

**Mark your calendars with this important date!**

**The FY 24' Audit Prep Session will be held on February 14, 2024 at 10am-11:30am.  
Each provider should have one representative attend**

To register [click here](#).

[Click here to Register](#)

For more information about the meeting, contact **Dr. Angela Maxwell** at [angela.maxwell@dhhs.nc.gov](mailto:angela.maxwell@dhhs.nc.gov)

If you have any questions regarding your registration, contact **Robert Greer** at [rgreer@apnc.org](mailto:rgreer@apnc.org)



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### Office Hours

**Topic:** Capacity and Strategy Selection Needs Assessment TA

Join DHHS, Wake Forest, CINC and the NC TTA Center Staff during Office Hours! Technical Assistance for Block Grant providers and coalitions participating in the 3-part Needs Assessment series can receive technical assistance from the Wake Forest team.

The Needs Assessment TA sessions have begun! **You only have a couple more sessions before they end on February 15, 2024.** Sessions meet weekly on **Thursday's**. You can join the TA sessions by [Clicking Here](#) each day at **2-3pm**. You don't have to register, just drop in!

For more information feel free to contact **Dr. Melinda Pankratz** at [mpankrat@wakehealth.edu](mailto:mpankrat@wakehealth.edu)

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**Topic:** Strategy Specific Tips for entering your data into Ecco

Office Hours to prepare you for the upcoming SUPTRS Block Grant Audit will be held beginning February 29th. Providers will be given tips for entering strategy specific data into Ecco, the online reporting system. Each week will focus on a different topic as follows:

- February 29 - Reporting Youth and Parent Prevention Education Strategies into Ecco
- March 7 - Reporting Environmental Strategies into Ecco
- March 14 - Reporting Community-based Processes into Ecco
- March 28 - General Ecco TA

[Click here](#) each week to join the discussion at 2 - 3pm.

For more information about Office Hours contact **Felicia Roberson, NC TTA Director** at [froberson@apnc.org](mailto:froberson@apnc.org) or **Robert Greer, Prevention Support Coordinator** for Ecco specific questions at [rgreer@apnc.org](mailto:rgreer@apnc.org)

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## **Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders: The Impact of Alcohol-Exposed Pregnancies and the Need for Prevention and Support - April 2, 2024 at 10am-12pm**

### **Location: Virtual**

This interactive session will help participants understand the impact of alcohol on the developing fetal brain, define fetal alcohol spectrum disorders (FASD) and recognize how this disorder presents across the lifespan. Participants will also explore the importance of preventing alcohol exposed pregnancies as well as strategies for support across the various systems of care. NC ASPPB hours provided.

[Click here to Register](#)

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## **Youth Mental Health First Aid Training - In Person on May 7th, 8:45am - 5pm**

### **Location: Poe Center for Health Education, 224 Sunnybrook Rd, Raleigh, NC**

The Youth Mental Health First Aid Training is a program designed for adults to teach parents, family members, caregivers, teachers, school staff, neighbors and other caring citizens how to help an adolescent (ages 12-18) who is experiencing a mental health or substance use challenge or crisis. The course introduces common mental health challenges for youth, reviews typical adolescent development, along a 5-step action plan.

If you're interested in attending this event, [click here](#) to register. This event will be conducted in-person with a limitation of 30 registrants. Register early to get your seat!

**This training, offered by the Poe Center for Health Education, is funded in whole by the SAMHSA Mental Health Awareness Training Grant and made available at no cost to participants.**

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## **Youth Prevention Education Training – TBD**

Due to a high demand for the YPE training, another will be scheduled soon!

North Carolina Foundations of Youth Prevention Education prepares direct service prevention providers to implement evidence-based and/or standards-based Youth Prevention Education (YPE) programs. *North Carolina Foundations of Youth Prevention Education* provides a basic understanding of the components and best practices related to implementing any YPE program.

The training is broken up into self-paced pre-work and 2 days of content with engaging activities that allow participants to meet the previously stated objectives through direct application of the material using interactive breakout rooms and group discussions. This training will increase participants'

knowledge and skills related to planning, managing, facilitating, evaluating, and monitoring a Youth Prevention Education program.

**Registration information is coming soon!**



# F.Y.I. CORNER

Information shared in the “FYI Corner” is not endorsed by the NCTTA Center or DMH/DD/SUS and may associated costs.

The North Carolina Department of Justice (NC DOJ) is working hard to keep kids safe. Youth today face a variety of challenges – some that may be familiar to parents and many that simply did not exist in generations past, before fentanyl, cell phones, and social media. To help support parents, caregivers, and people who work with children and youth, NCDOJ launched a webinar series:

[Protecting the Next Generation of North Carolinians.](#)

We invite you to join the [upcoming session on Youth Substance Use](#), in partnership with the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (NC DHHS): Wednesday, February 28 from 12:00 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.

- Speakers include: Kelly Crosbie, MSW, LCSW, NC DHHS Director of the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Use Services (DMH/DD/SUS); Randy Abbott, Parent Advocate; Recovery Resource Advocate, Alcohol/Drug Council of NC; Jarmichael R. Harris, MS, LCAS, Director of Scholastic Recovery, Addiction Professionals of NC; and Attorney General Josh Stein, NC DOJ

[Register Here](#)

## **Too Good Curriculum Trainings**

*Too Good Curriculum Trainings* combine evidence-based prevention strategies and proven best practices to give you the skills, knowledge base, and confidence to deliver *Too Good* effectively and with results. Our professional trainers bring extensive, real-world classroom experience to the training sessions so you can get the most out of your *Too Good* implementation.

Single day sessions at each development level for *Too Good for Drugs* and *Too Good for Violence*, for Elementary, Middle School, and High School and Middle School for *Seeds of Nutrition* are available.

**June 2024 - Chicago, IL**

**August 2024 - Los Angeles, CA**

[Register Today](#)

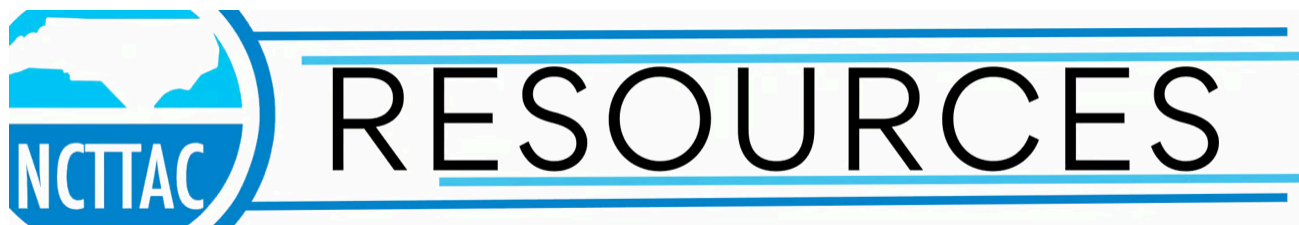
## **Webinar: Tobacco Product Regulation in the United States: An Update from FDA's Center for Tobacco Products - February 14, 2024 at 2:00-3:00 PM EST**

The SSA-TA project invites you to attend an upcoming webinar on tobacco product regulation. Brian King, PhD, MPH, Director of the FDA's Center for Tobacco Products will provide updates on federal regulation of tobacco products in the United States. He will discuss the core activities of the Center, including updates on rulemaking to issue product standards, compliance and enforcement actions, tobacco product application review, and public health education campaigns. Dr. King will also discuss the Center's response to address recommendations in the Reagan-Udall Foundation operational evaluation report, including efforts to develop a new strategic plan. The webinar will be held on Wednesday, February 14, 2024, from 2:00-3:00 PM EST.

To attend the event, you must register using the link below.

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_RngR2MzIQtk8FeTyPOew0Q](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_RngR2MzIQtk8FeTyPOew0Q)

During the registration process, you will be provided the option to download the event in your web browser to place in your calendar, followed by a confirmation email.



### **Opioid-Overdose Reduction Continuum of Care Approach Framework**

The science and evidence behind the framework was published in the [\*Journal of Drug and Alcohol Dependence\*](#) and outlines 19 essential evidence-based interventions to reduce opioid overdose deaths. To download the [\*\*\*Opioid-Overdose Reduction Continuum of Care Approach Includes 19 Evidence-Based Strategies\*\*\*](#)

### **FDA Launches Spanish-Language Vaping Prevention and Education Resource Center**

To help advance health equity and facilitate the reduction of tobacco-related health disparities for all people, FDA recently launched a [Spanish-language version of the Vaping Prevention and Education Resource Center](#). This resource center is an online hub with free science-based, standards-mapped lesson plans and materials teachers can use to help students understand the dangers associated with e-cigarette use and nicotine addiction.

[\*\*View the Materials in Spanish\*\*](#)

PTTC's Upcoming **FREE trainings for February 2024:** [Training and Events Calendar](#)

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