

# The Rationale: Addressing Tobacco Use in Behavioral Health Services

Brought to you by: Governor's Behavioral Health Services Planning Council Tobacco Subcommittee in collaboration with Kansas Department of Health and Environment. Supported by Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services.

This presentation thoroughly explores the bio-psycho-social aspects of tobacco use disorder specific to individuals with mental and substance use disorders. Data is reviewed to explain influencing factors that have resulted in a high prevalence of smoking and vaping in the recovery and treatment culture, and the impact on physical and mental health. Strategies to denormalize tobacco use in the behavioral health setting and advance recovery-oriented interventions are discussed. Follow-up sessions are scheduled to allow adequate time for participants to thoroughly share their perspectives, ask questions and engage in more in-depth discussion.

## Registration

There is no registration fee.  
All webinars start at Noon.

Register: March 18 or  
March 20

Noon to 1:30 p.m.

Follow-Up Session  
March 25 or March 27

Noon to 1:00 p.m.

## Learning Objectives

- 01 Define the origin of prevailing tobacco-related social norms in the treatment and recovery culture.
- 02 Cite data to demonstrate that Kansans with mental and substance use disorders have disproportional tobacco-related health disparities and inadequate access to appropriate tobacco treatment services.
- 03 Identify strategies to denormalize tobacco use in behavioral health settings and support evidence-based tobacco use disorder interventions within a recovery-oriented framework.

## Instructor



Tony Klein, MPA, NCACII has over thirty-five years of administrative, clinical, and training experience in behavioral health services. Known for his advocacy to address tobacco addiction for persons with mental and substance use disorders, he develops curricula and program strategies that are anchored in the principles of recovery, emphasizing choice and growth-promoting principles. Tony serves as a consultant and clinical trainer to the Pennsylvania Department of Health's Statewide Tobacco-Free Recovery Initiative, Community Behavioral Health, a division of the City of Philadelphia's Department of Behavioral Health Services, and the Lung Mind Alliance, an American Lung Association initiative in Minnesota and North Dakota.



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