



Prevention Basics An Enhanced Prevention Learning Series

Overview and Objectives

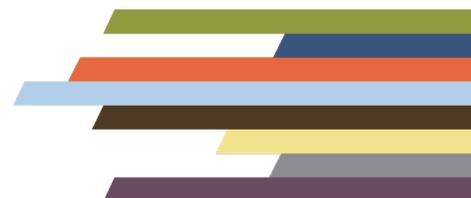
This **8-week series** offers a uniquely interactive online introduction to the field of substance misuse prevention. Participants examine the history of substance misuse prevention, key concepts, and foundational research informing the Strategic Prevention Framework, SAMHSA's five-step, data-driven planning process. Training participants build basic knowledge and skills necessary to identify prevention priorities and develop a plan to implement and evaluate evidence-based interventions. This online consultation series offers structured skill-based learning opportunities, individual reading and learning assignments, group activities, and discussions to enhance learning application and outcomes.

By the end of the EPLS, participants will be able to:

- Define prevention
- Explain the continuum of care
- List the criteria for research-based risk factors
- Describe how the Social Development Strategy operationalizes protective factors
- Describe the five steps of the Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF), including the key tasks for each
- List three essential keys to sustainability
- Explain the importance of addressing health disparities in the context of substance misuse prevention planning and implementation
- Describe how cultural humility is essential in our work in the prevention field

Audience

Community, tribal, jurisdiction, and state-level substance misuse prevention practitioners and allied health partners located in the Pacific Southwest region, including American Samoa, Arizona, California, Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Guam, Hawaii, Nevada, Republic of Marshall Islands, and Republic of Palau.



Facilitator



Rick Collins, MS, CPS, is a Cincinnati, OH native who has resided in Hawai'i since 2003. He specializes in community organizing and public health policy advocacy on alcohol and drug use prevention. In 2012, Rick helped organize concerned residents establish a new community coalition to address youth substance use problems occurring on Maui, and served as its coordinator for the first four years. He is the co-founder of the Hawai'i Alcohol Policy Alliance, a statewide coalition whose mission is to advocate for public health-focused alcohol policies, and he currently serves as Coalition Director for three community coalitions across Hawai'i. His experience includes establishing new coalitions, planning and implementing prevention programs and community-level strategies, grassroots organizing, and mobilizing a statewide effort to advocate for state-level alcohol and drug prevention policies. Rick works as a consultant for Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America, and he provides training and technical assistance to community coalitions and prevention professionals locally and across the country. He is a Certified Prevention Specialist and holds an MS in Counseling Psychology from Chaminade University and a BA in Religious Studies from the University of Dayton.

Dates and Times

States and American Samoa

Weekly on Wednesdays: February 9, 16, & 23 and March 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30, 2022*

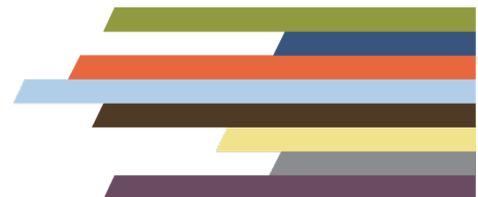
04:00 p.m. – 05:30 p.m. Arizona
03:00 p.m. – 04:30 p.m. Pacific
01:00 p.m. – 02:30 p.m. Hawaii
12:00 p.m. – 01:30 p.m. American Samoa

Pacific Jurisdictions

Weekly on Thursdays: February 10, 17, & 24 and March 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 2022*

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Republic of the Marshall Islands
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Pohnpei and Kosrae
09:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, Chuuk, and Yap
08:00 a.m. – 09:30 a.m. Republic of Palau

*Due to daylight savings time beginning, start times may change.



Cost

Free

Certificates of Attendance

Participants who complete all 8 sessions will receive a certificate of attendance for 22.5 contact hours. No partial credit is given for this course. Participants will need to confirm with their certification board to determine if these certification hours are accepted towards their specific certification requirements.

To Register

This Course has a Prerequisite

To register for this Enhanced Prevention Learning Series (EPLS), you must first complete the free, self-paced online course [Introduction to Substance Abuse Prevention: Understanding the Basics](#) on healthknowledge.org.

Please have your certificate of completion ready to upload, you will be asked for it during the registration process.

<https://www.pttnetwork.org/centers/pacific-southwest-pttc/event/prevention-basics-enhanced-prevention-learning-series>

Questions? Please contact Karen Totten at ktotten@casat.org for any questions related to registration. For any other questions, please contact Britany Wiele at bwiele@casat.org.

