

# Addressing Substance Use in Rural Areas

July 8, 2019 W. Lebanon, NH

## A Joint Training for Regional Prevention Partnerships And Tobacco Control Program Community Grantees



### AGENDA

#### Goal for the Day:

To provide a forum for collaboration between Regional Prevention Partnerships and Tobacco Control and Prevention Community Grantees to address substance use in rural areas.

#### Objectives:

- Identify the culture and characteristics of rural communities
- Share the barriers and issues in rural communities as related to health and wellness
- Provide information on substance use in rural communities and factors explaining rates of use
- Identify an action item from the table topics
- Share resources with other partners

9:00 am – 9:30 am	REGISTRATION AND REFRESHMENTS
9:30 am – 9:45 am	Welcome, Housekeeping and Introductions <b>Naa Aku Shika Addo, MPA</b> Tobacco Control and Prevention Program Specialist Vermont Department of Health Division of Health Promotion and Disease Prevention  <b>Hilary Fannin, MPH, CPS</b> Regional Prevention Partnerships Program Manager Vermont Department of Health Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Program  <b>Clare LaFrance, MA</b> Cessation Specialist Division of Health Promotion and Disease Prevention
9:45 am – 12:15 pm	Addressing Substance Use in Rural Areas <b>Eric Haram, LADC</b>
12:15 pm – 1:00 pm	LUNCH

1:00 pm – 3:15 pm

Structure Sharing and Facilitated Small Group Sessions

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1:00 pm to 1:30 pm - Group Activity

1:35 pm to 2:05 pm - First Session of Facilitated Small Group Sessions

2:10 pm to 2:40 pm - Second Session

2:45 pm to 3:15 pm - Third Session

There will be opportunity to rotate through three topics for small group discussion during the afternoon session.

3:15 pm – 3:30 pm

Wrap Up and Evaluation

**Eric Haram, LADC**

Eric Haram, LADC Eric is owner of Haram Consulting LLC, a health and behavioral healthcare consulting firm. Haram Consulting offers large and small scale technical assistance for all aspects of strategic planning, workforce development and clinical and business systems design for states, institutions and organizations.

Professional experience includes 25 years delivering, designing and directing substance abuse treatment services in hospitals, correctional facilities, and community behavioral health centers. Senior Manager for Correction Services with the Maine Office of Substance Abuse, developing and managing adolescent and adult drug court services contracts.

Eric is National Implementation Consultant with the University of Wisconsin-Madison, College of Engineering. Eric provides consultation to Maine Quality Counts implementing SBIRT in Maine's Patient Centered Medical Home; Medication Assisted Treatment expansion with the states of Ohio, Mississippi, Texas, West Virginia and Maine. Eric served as Co-Chair of the US Attorney's Task Force on the Treatment and Prevention of Opioid Dependence, State of Maine.

He provides countless hours of advocacy for improved access to addiction and mental health treatment in the Maine State Legislature and was President and Board Chair of the Maine Association for Substance Abuse Programs from 2007-2013.

Eric lives in Coastal Maine with his wife and their two daughters.