NCYOJ Launches Redesigned Website

To celebrate its brand transition and to better serve its stakeholders, the National Center for Youth Opportunity and Justice launched a redesigned website! The critical components of the redesigned website are a streamlined resources library, which allows users to easily access NCYOJ’s wide-reaching database of publications, podcasts, videos, and toolkits and an enhanced Trainer Network, which provides certified trainers with the tools they need to deliver NCYOJ’s trainings. Everything is just a click away on the NCYOJ website.

Joint Policy Academy Bolsters Criminal Justice Partnerships

In April, SAMHSA's GAINS Center and the MacArthur Foundation's Safety and Justice Challenge hosted a Policy Academy that encouraged partnership development between states and local jurisdictions to identify best practices and develop strategies for diverting people with mental and substance use disorders out of the criminal justice system and into community-based treatment. Sessions emphasized diverting and treating people with opioid and other substance use disorders and financing strategies to access state and federal funding for programs, services, and supports.

SMVF Conference Highlights Suicide Prevention Strategies in Rural Communities

SAMHSA’s Service Members, Veterans, and their Families (SMVF) Technical Assistance Center convened the Coming Together for SMVF: Rural Community Approaches to Suicide Prevention conference in April. The conference supported participating Governor’s and Mayor’s Challenge teams to further develop their strategic action plans with a focus on rural challenges and opportunities. Participants selected sessions critical to rural communities, such as accessing behavioral health care, collaborating with faith-based communities, preventing substance misuse, and engaging tribal communities.

PRA Impact Report
April to June 2019

1,319 individuals who participated in trainings
23 trainings
1,182 meeting attendees
63 virtual events
5 professional presentations in the field
19 public products (e.g., reports, videos)
46 site visits and TA visits
14 policies and practices changed through work with PRA and its projects
4,561 virtual event attendees
1,050 individuals who participated in site visits and TA visits
29 meetings (e.g., Policy Academies, Leadership Academies, expert panels)

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