Tribal Healing to Wellness Courts and Problem-solving Courts
Practical Considerations

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Key Processes

Project Development

Program Funding

Implementation & Sustaining
Project Development

• Identify the nature and scope of the project
  – Age
  – Gender
  – Issues to be addressed – what are your needs?
Project Development

• Identify departments/programs/entities that will be involved
  – Tribal departments and programs
  – External service providers (non-federal)
  – External service providers (federal)
  – School districts/boards; private; BIA
  – Community involvement
  – TTA providers
Project Development

• Include these departments/programs in discussions from the start
  – Communication
    • Rapport/relationships
  – Commitment
  – Council Resolution/Chief Executive mandate
  – MOAs
Project Development

• Identify key positions that are vacant or don’t exist
  – Coordinator
  – Case Manager
  – Social worker
  – Therapist/Counselor
Project Development

• Substantiate the need
  – Statistics
    • Population/enrollment
    • Services available (or lack thereof)
    • Local justice statistics
Project Development

• Strategize solutions to impediments
  – Timing
  – Locations(s)
  – Transportation
  – Child care
  – Incentives
  – Disincentives
Project Development

- Identify and calculate costs
  - Personnel
  - Equipment and supplies
  - Training
Project Development

- Draft and submit the proposal
  - Grant writer
  - Project lead agency
  - Best-qualified
  - FOIA
Program Funding

• Where will funding come from?
  – Tribal
  – Federal grants
    • DOJ
    • HHS
  – Private foundations
  – Other
• Strings attached
Implementation and Sustaining

- Planning is key (but not always possible)
- The “4 Cs”
  - Collaboration
  - Cooperation
  - Commitment
  - Community involvement
Implementation and Sustaining

• Documentation
  – Statistical
  – Anecdotal

• Reporting
  – Funding source – as required
  – Tribal Council – at least quarterly
Implementation and Sustaining

• Sustaining the project
  – Future funding
    • Same source – continuation
    • Alternate source
    • Combination
QUESTIONS?
COMMENTS?