



# NADCP

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## INNOVATING PRACTICES: Incorporating Technology into Your Treatment Court

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# **Deep Breaths**

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**Explore the process**

**Skill-building**

**Steps to take**

# Key Questions to Ask





# **Client Centered**

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**What is the need?**

**How will it benefit the participant?**

- Time saving
- Skill building
- Overcoming barriers

**How will it benefit the program?**



# Intent vs Impact

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**Is the technology stigmatizing?**

- Mark of shame or discredit (*definition*)

**Is the technology culturally insensitive?**

- Create barriers
- Designed for specific target audience
- Social sensitivity

**Did you get feedback from participants?**





# **Usability**

**Participant access?**

**Court access?**

**How user friendly is it?**

**Cost/benefits?**

**Who will be managing it?**



# Effectiveness

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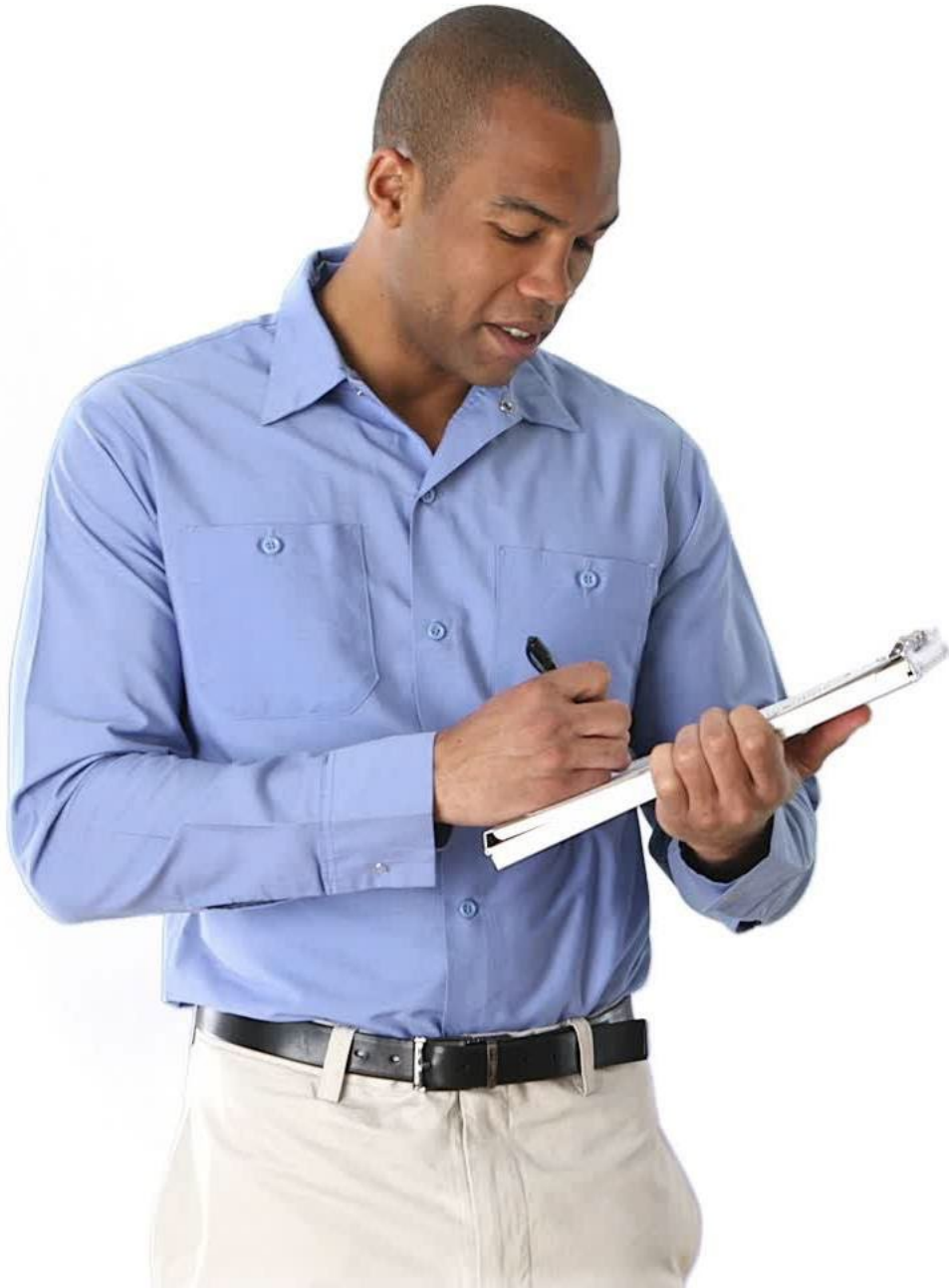
**What are the measurements  
for success?**

**Review time?**

**Comparison groups?**

**Ongoing funding?**





# Testing

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**Who on the team will test out the technology?**

**Who are the test subjects?**

**What is the implementation testing period?**



# Finding the Right Technology





# **Getting Organized/ Time Management**

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## **Treatment Court Case Management Participant Tools**

Corrisoft

DIMS

SCRAM Touchpoint

### **Apps**

ClickUp

Rescue Time

# Money Management

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## Apps

Intuit Mint <https://mint.intuit.com/>

- Bill Payment Tracker
- Budgeting
- Free Credit Score
- Alerts
- Budget Categorization

NerdWallet: Finance Tracker

<https://www.nerdwallet.com/l/app>





A person with short brown hair, wearing a white t-shirt, is sitting in a meditative pose on a grassy hill. They are facing away from the camera, looking out over a vast landscape towards a sunset. The sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and blue, with some clouds. In the distance, there are mountains and a body of water. The person is sitting on a dark-colored blanket or mat. The overall mood is peaceful and contemplative.

# Wellness

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## Mindfulness apps

- Mindfulness App
- Mindfulness Daily
- Calm

## Physical Activity

- 10,000 step challenge
- Apps

**Healthy Eating**  
**Smoke Free**



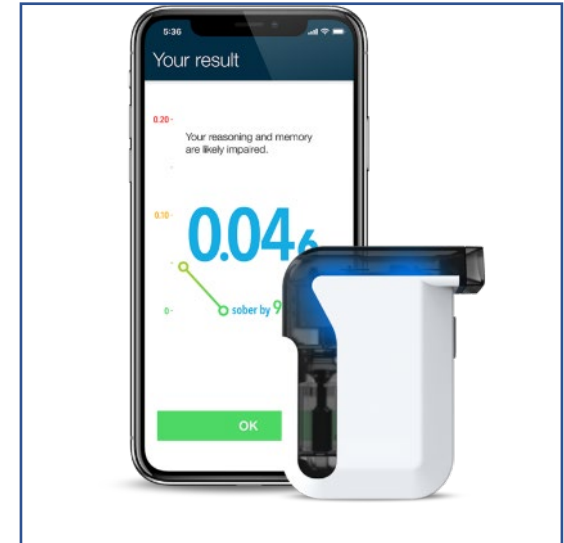
# **Drug and Alcohol Testing**

## **Identify program need**

- Data identifying deficiencies
- Issues identified by participants
- Issues identified by team

**Talk with vendors about your program need and how they can meet it**

**Ask about new innovations**



# Recovery

## Virtual Recovery Groups

- **AA** <https://aa.org/>
- **Smart Recovery**  
<https://www.smartrecovery.org/>
- **Life Ring** <https://lifering.org/>
- **Women for Sobriety**  
<https://womenforsobriety.org/>

**Don't focus on if they are attending – focus on what they are getting out of the meeting**







# **Innovative Practices using Technology**

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**Virtual Office Visits**

**Telemedicine**

**Virtual Court Hearings**

**How can it be utilized more?**

**How can it be incentivized?**



# Connection with Team

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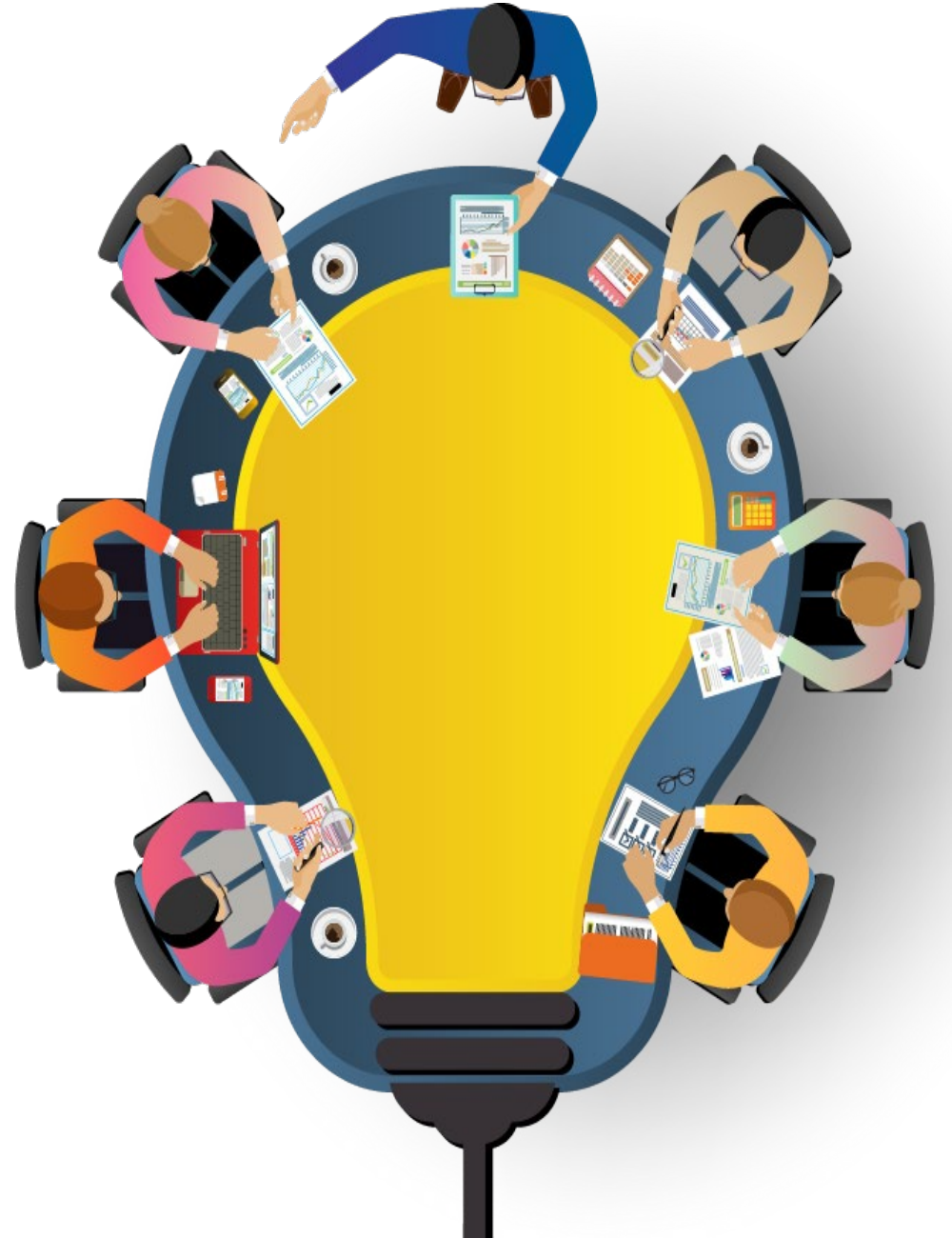
## Online Forms

### What

- Reporting forms
- Travel requests
- Phase applications

### How

- Google Drive
- Microsoft OneDrive
- Email
- Case Management software



# Online Tools

## Rural Community Action Toolkit

- <https://www.ruralcommunitytoolbox.org/>

## Recovery Café Network

- <https://www.recoverycafenetwork.org/>

## Opioid Misuse Tool

- <https://opioidmisusetool.norc.org/>

## NADCP Sample Forms

- <https://www.ndci.org/resource/sample-documents/>

## Community Resources

- Public library
- Colleges





# **Next Steps**

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## **Identify the needs of your clients and program**

- Survey the participants
- Team brainstorm biggest issues
- BeST Assessment

## **Explore what is out there**

- Search the web
- Search for apps on your phone

## **Talk with vendors**

- Request demo



# Next Steps

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Test the product

Justification Toolkit form

Make a plan to implement into program

What are your data points to determine success

How will you market it to the participants

## Justification Toolkit

**Recommended tool:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Submitted by:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Associated cost:** Click or tap here to enter text.

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**Presenting Issue** *(what is happening causing a need for this tool?)*

Click or tap here to enter text.

*Write down the program needs and participant needs that justify the tool. Be sure to include collected data (including surveys) that identifies the need.*

### Program Needs

Click or tap here to enter text.

### Supportive Data

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### Participant Needs

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### Supportive Data

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**What are possible effects if this tool is not utilized?**

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**What are possible outcomes if this tool is utilized?**

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**Is a similar tool being utilized by any of the treatment court team partners?**

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# ROLE OF TECHNOLOGY

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Technology is a *tool* to assist participants develop and refine their coping and refusal skills aimed at rejecting new alcohol/drug use opportunities







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