



# NEDPC Conference STATE TRAINERS' MEETING

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# WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Please tell us

- who you are, and
- where you're from





## In the Pipeline...

- Advisor/Assessor Certification Record & Instructions
- Training Cohort Tracker (Spreadsheet)
- Training Planner and Timeline
- Training Follow-Up Letter
- First Portfolio Review Policy (in review)
- T Trainer Updates
- National Training- observe to remain certified
- NEDP State Trainers' Page on [nedp.org](http://nedp.org)

# Updates to T Trainer

## Current T Trainer:

### 13 Competencies

- Many completed independently outside of training
- Some sample client responses were ineffective for training purposes

## Updated T Trainer

### 6 Competencies

- All can be completed within training
- Client responses selected to prompt discussion but be clearly D/ND

# Updated T Trainer

	Comp Area	Competency	Rationale
1.	Financial Literacy	Household Budgets Activity A & IOC	Transferred from current T Trainer. Some auto-scored, opening uploaded spreadsheets.
2.	Consumer Awareness	Consumer Loans IOC	New to T Trainer. Evaluation of oral IOC and spreadsheets.
3.	Science	Scientific Method Activity A	Q1 & Q2 from current T Trainer; new responses to Q3 that are more easily evaluated.
4.	Health Literacy	Health Planning Activity A	Children's Health and Plan and Take Charge of One's Own Healthcare. Full of eval issues.
5.	21 <sup>st</sup> Century Workplace	Cover Letter IOC	New. Multiple eval criteria and "no errors", but without the complicated formatting of resume.
6.	Civic Literacy	The Legal System	Transferred from current T Trainer, with added criteria #4 (minor or no errors).

# Updating T Trainer

- NEDP Item Development team will review
- State trainers and other experienced A/As will assess
- Consensus tables will be created based on the evaluation results
- T trainer activity sheets will be available on the State Trainers' page.

**\*\*In the meantime, use current T Trainer.**

# Evaluation Criteria

Previous PD focus had been new staff/new sites  
New PD will expand focus to developing current  
sites/ staff

- Building National Inter-rater Reliability
- FAQs and Helpful Hints
- Guidance on “broad issues” in interpreting evaluation criteria



# Sharpening our Tools

Team-approach to clarifying some evaluation criteria:

- State Trainers
- Other NEDP Advisor/Assessors
- State-Level Staff
- NEDP Item Development Team





# Example One: The Big “AND”

According to the Resource, what are the three steps of successful stress relief?

- 1) Decide to make stress management an ongoing goal
- 2) Monitor your stress level
- 3) Identify your stress triggers

**1b. Required:** The following:

- Deciding to make stress management an ongoing goal, and to monitor your stress level
- Identifying your stress triggers
- Starting to think about strategies for dealing with them

**Guideline:** Other responses are acceptable if they can be verified in the Resource.

Questions about “and” in evaluation criteria:

1. Must all components be present to be “D,” or could one alone count as “D”?
1. Could client split one evaluation bullet into multiple fields and count each as a D answer (see example)?

# Example Two: TMI??

(client provides additional information in response)

2. Identify an educational program or course that could lead to the achievement of this goal; be specific. Some examples include: an accounting program, a course(s) in auto mechanics, and a wordprocessing class.

**2. Required:** Response must identify an educational program or course that could lead to the achievement of the previously stated goal.

**Guideline:** The educational program or course must be specific (e.g., accounting class). Any reasonable course of study is acceptable, whether it is career-related or for personal enrichment.



# Other Evaluation Questions to be addressed later

Additional evaluation issues might include

- “Or” in guidelines
- “Examples” in guidelines
- “Including” in guidelines
- Guidelines that give additional descriptive information
- Criteria given in client instructions is not followed, but is not evaluated



# Additional Guidance to be discussed/ requested

- What is and is not appropriate in *notes to client*?
- Other guidelines about when *notes to client* should be used
- Guidelines about how *IOC Notes* should be used
- Close competency areas after D/C?
- Guidelines on “few or minor errors”
- Guidelines on opening multiple competency areas
- When paper documentation is required, does PR have to see it as well?
- How does Assessor verify gov’t reps without client’s address?
- Others?

# Next Steps

Survey will go out to state trainers, state leadership, and some other A/As

1. Gather feedback on how programs are managing the “*and*” and “*TMI*” issues
2. Prioritize other evaluation questions
3. Prioritize additional guidance requests
4. Take feedback to NEDP team and discuss how to move forward



# Thank You for Attending!



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