

CPI Newsletter



Making substance use disorder prevention more accessible to communities in California.

WHAT'S NEW?

Spring Newsletter

This Community Prevention Initiative (CPI) newsletter highlights upcoming CPI events related to **cultural competence** in substance use disorder prevention (SUD Pv).

Save the Date! CPI Regional Trainings



2017 CPI Regional Trainings

Examining Cultural Competence in SUD Prevention

July 13-14: Sacramento CPI Regional Training
Sheraton Grand Hotel - 1230 J St.

August 3-4: Los Angeles CPI Training
Hilton Long Beach - 701 West Ocean Blvd.

We are pleased to announce that the [2017 CPI Regional Trainings](#) will focus on cultural competence. This theme was chosen due to popular demand as expressed through the 2016 CPI Field Survey.

Each year, CPI brings together California's SUD Pv workforce for a unique learning, networking, and engagement opportunity. CPI's regional trainings are two-day, no-cost conferences held every summer in Northern and Southern California. The conferences are hosted by CPI and the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), and attended by hundreds of prevention professionals including County Alcohol and Other Drug (AOD) Administrators, DHCS analysts, County Prevention Coordinators, local prevention service providers, coalition representatives, and prevention partners.

[Register Now](#)

Register Now! CLAS Webinar Series

The 2017 CPI Regional Trainings theme is "Cultural Competence," a concept that must be considered at every step of the Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF). The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) defines cultural competence as the ability to interact effectively with people of different cultures. The [National Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services \(CLAS\) Standards](#) are a set of fifteen action steps that aim to institutionalize principles of cultural competence in order to improve care quality, advance health equity, and reduce health disparities.

The CLAS webinars are designed to prepare participants for the Regional Trainings. The first webinar provided an overview of cultural competence and demonstrate its relevance to prevention. The remaining webinars introduce the CLAS standards, explain how CLAS standards align with the SPF and substance use disorder prevention, and describe strategies for implementing the CLAS standards. Each webinar includes substantial time for questions and a facilitated discussion.



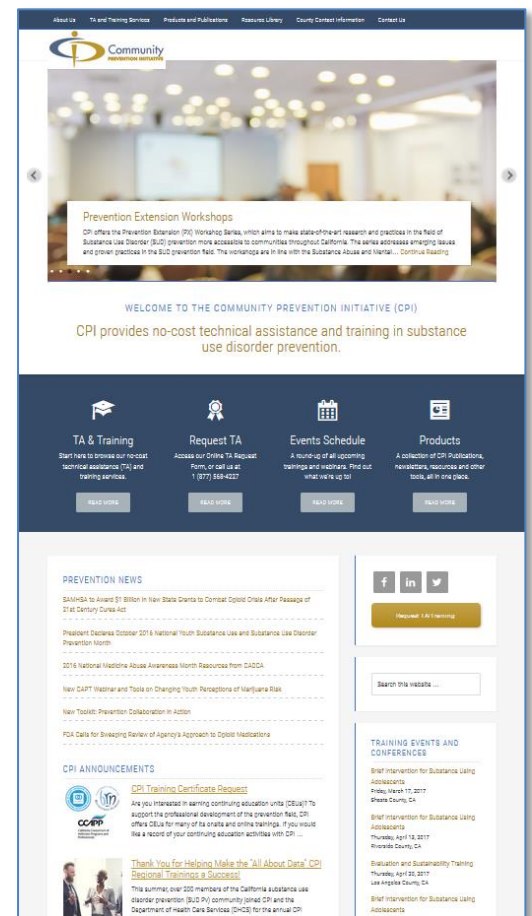
- **Introduction to Cultural Competence**
[View recording](#)
- **Introduction to CLAS and the First Four Standards: Governance, Leadership, & Workforce (CLAS Standards 2-4)**
Recording will be available soon
- **Theme 2: Communication and Language Assistance (CLAS Standards 5-8)**
Wednesday, June 14, 1 - 2 p.m.
[Register](#)
- **Theme 3: Engagement, Continuous Improvement, & Accountability (CLAS Standards 9-15)**
Wednesday, June 28, 1 - 2 p.m.
[Register](#)

Launch of the New CPI Website

As part of our ongoing commitment to provide exceptional training and technical assistance (TTA) to California's SUD Pv workforce, the CPI team is pleased to announce the launch of our newly redesigned project website: <http://www.ca-cpi.org>. The new website features an updated visual design and improved functionality, while retaining all the resources and tools that were previously available. Updates include:

- Mobile optimized design: compatible with mobile devices
- Advanced publication search options: by topic, series, or date
- Streamlined TTA request form
- Menu tabs that provide easier access to the most-visited CPI webpages
- Detailed SUD Pv news and announcements on the homepage

The goal of the website redesign is to improve the CPI website usability and presentation. Explore the new CPI website!



Online Training Series: Quiz Questions



The first five courses of CPI's Professional Competencies, the Core Competencies, are available on the CPI online courses website: <http://procomp.ca-cpi.org/>. The Core Competencies can be taken individually to build learner proficiency in particular SPF steps, or as a complete series in which the five courses build on one another. The five Core Competencies are Assessment, Capacity Building, Planning, Implementation, and Evaluation.

New! Quiz questions are now included as an element of the Core Competencies online courses. Learners who complete the trainings and pass the integrated quizzes can receive a certificate of completion. Completion of the Core Competency trainings can be used for professional development or for specific continuing education purposes, such as completing the California Consortium of Addiction Programs and Professionals (CCAPP) Prevention Specialist Certification requirements.

If you are interested in **onsite** Core Competency trainings, visit the [CPI Events Schedule](#) to register for an upcoming training or [contact CPI](#) about hosting a training. You can also [request to receive a certificate](#) to demonstrate your completion of any CPI trainings.

Upcoming Prevention Extension (PX) Trainings

The CPI project is committed to providing high quality, no-cost, onsite PX trainings on a variety of emerging and relevant topics. PX trainings are facilitated throughout the state and provide training on best practices in SUD Pv. For more information, [request a PX training or learn more](#) about upcoming events.

CEUs are offered for a nominal fee through the following organizations: CCAPP, the California Board of Registered Nursing (BRN), and the California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists (CAMFT). Click here to [learn more](#) about CPI CEUs.

Youth in Focus: Youth Led Focus Groups

Friday, June 16 – Marin County

[Register](#)

Core Competency Training: Assessment, Capacity Building, Planning, Implementation, and Evaluation

Tuesday, June 27 - Wednesday, June 28 – Tulare County

[Register](#)

WHAT'S AVAILABLE FOR YOU?

Resources on Cultural Competence and the CLAS Standards

The following resources may be useful as you work to enhance your individual and organizational cultural competence:

- [Cultural Competence](#): This overview page from SAMHSA's Center for the Application of Prevention Technologies (CAPT) describes culturally competent organizations, delineates the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention's principles of cultural competence, and provides links to resources.
- [Think Cultural Health](#): Launched in 2004, Think Cultural Health is sponsored by the Office of Minority Health to provide information, offer continuing education opportunities, and highlight resources for health and health care professionals to learn more about CLAS.
- [Elements of a Culturally Competent Prevention System](#): This webpage from SAMHSA's CAPT explains principles of cultural competence principles.
- [Cultural Competence and the SPF](#): This webpage from SAMHSA's CAPT provides general strategies for infusing cultural competence in each step of the SPF.
- [A Practical Guide to Implementing the National CLAS Standards: For Racial, Ethnic and Linguistic Minorities, People with Disabilities and Sexual and Gender Minorities](#): This is a recent toolkit from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services to help organizations implement the CLAS Standards and improve health equity.
- [National Standards for CLAS in Health and Health Care: A Blueprint for Advancing and Sustaining CLAS Policy and Practice](#): The OMH Blueprint is a comprehensive implementation guide that covers each of the CLAS Standards.
- [NNEDshare](#): "A collaborative space to share resources and intervention efforts to improve the delivery of behavioral health care interventions in diverse populations." The NNED, or National Network to Eliminate Disparities in Behavioral Health, is supported by the SAMHSA National Institutes of Health/National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities, and by the Annie E. Casey Foundation.
- [Cultural Respect](#): Informative webpage from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) explaining cultural respect, its relevance to health communications, and its role in reducing health disparities.
- [Culturally Responsive Environmental Prevention](#): CPI Prevention Tactic written for SUD Pv professionals and community groups to explain culturally responsive selection, implementation, and evaluation of environmental prevention efforts. It provides a selection of frameworks and evidence-based models.
- [Cross-Cultural Considerations in Community-Based Prevention](#): Archived CPI webinar that describes the importance of culture in community-based campaigns and offers techniques for addressing cross-cultural issues.
- [The Definition, Costs, and Benefits of an Inclusive Organization](#): Archived CPI webinar that addresses how to engage staff and leadership at all organizational levels in the process of becoming more inclusive.

Archived Webinars

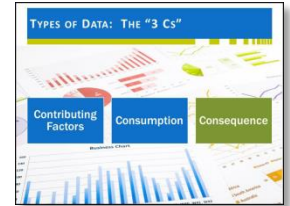
CPI has a robust [library of archived webinars](#) that are viewable anytime. The webinars address a wide array of topics that support the needs of the SUD Pv field.

New! Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) and Prevention of Substance Use Disorders –

This webinar discusses the role of ACEs as a contributor to problem behaviors that develop during adolescence and adulthood. ACEs occur as a result of trauma, i.e., violence, abuse, neglect, loss, disaster, war, and other emotionally harmful experiences.



New! Making Sense of Data – This session provides an overview of basic concepts. Types of available data are introduced along with a discussion of benefits and limitations for each. Participants learn how to use data at every stage of Pv planning and how to avoid common data collection pitfalls.



Customized Technical Assistance (TA)

TA is tailored to meet the individual needs of the Pv field. Subject-matter experts provide TA through consultation calls or site visits to assist with specified areas as requested by the Pv professional. TA is provided at no cost to County AOD offices and many other organizations. [Request TA](#) through the CPI website. Examples of TA topics include:

- Strategic Planning
- Logic Model Development
- Evidence-Based Practices and Programs
- Local Evaluation Strategies

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