2022 Virtual TA Institute
Breakout Room Notes

Session Number: 1

Breakout Room Title: Regions 1 & 2

Attendees: Cindy Thomas, Jesse Suter, Colleen McLaughlin, Amy Grattan, Susan Fox, Kelly Nye-Lenderman, Maureen Van Stone, Pamela O’Brien, Jill Jacobs

Notetaker: Rachel Miller

Notes:

- Cindy Thomas- Increase staffing, DEIA work
- Amy Grattan- Capacity building, job reshuffling, increasing research capacity, supportive technology
- Colleen McLaughlin- increase multi-media base (online resources), DSP career pathways
- Susan Fox- Building back direct service, refining, and improving services
- Kelly Nye- Lengerman- Opioid crisis, waiver redesign in the state
- Maureen Van Stone- self-advocacy for young adults, state agency partnerships
- Jesse Suter- Personnel rebuilding, inclusion, and accessibility on campus
- Communities of practice, supported decision making
- Partnership is critical, i.e. vaccine promotions
- Being new to a state allows for asking questions about practice shifts
- How to compete for jobs in the field, employment incentives, pay scale

Future TA Needs:

- Developing regional or network-wide to encourage staff recruitment/retention
- Admin Essentials: navigating impact of union increases on grant budgets and equity across union and non-union staff