

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

Minority Fellowship Program

American Nurses Association

Intensive Summer Institute

Atlanta, Georgia

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Intensive Summer Institute Evaluation (n = 9)

1. Please rate the extent that participation in this Institute enhanced your professional effectiveness Rating of Institute Components.				
	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Poor
Institute Overall	88.9% (8)	11.1% (1)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)
Institute Materials	88.9% (8)	11.1% (1)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)
Institute Registration	100.0% (9)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)
New Fellows Orientation	100.0% (9)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)
Logistics staff assistance	100.0% (9)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)
Hotel Accommodations	77.8% (7)	11.1% (1)	11.1% (1)	0.0% (0)
Adequacy of meeting rooms	77.8% (7)	11.1% (1)	11.1% (1)	0.0% (0)
Subject matter was adequately covered	100.0% (9)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)
Content was suitable for my background/experience	100.0% (9)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)
Program was well paced within the allotted time	66.7% (6)	11.1% (1)	22.2% (2)	0.0% (0)
Speakers encouraged active attendee participation	100.0% (9)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)

2. Please list the specific actions you will take when you return to your job or training program to implement the new ideas and strategies you obtained during this Institute.	
1.	The NFL Session on head injury and depression was very interesting. We will take a long look at our policy in dealing with sports related head injuries for long term effects.
2.	I will continue to advocate for clients with mental health and substance abuse disorders. I will share the information received at the Institute with my colleagues.
3.	The information regarding implementation of the case management strategies for the state of GA was very informative. I will share the highlights of our discussion during our staff meeting.
4.	Discussing mental health stigma in Chapter Five of my dissertation.
5.	Maintaining integrity in the position that I have currently and doing my very best by always being prepared.
6.	I will utilize the skills and knowledge I have gained from my Institute participation as overall guidance to complete my dissertation work.
7.	I will begin work on incorporating a well rounded multidisciplinary culturally base program in my facility.
8.	I will continue to interact with the Community of Voices faculty.

3. What topics and/or sessions were most useful to you?	
1.	The grant and evidenced based sessions
2.	All the sessions were great.
3.	Panel discussion on suicide rates that included American Indians. I have indicated that primary care has a large role in mental health and was glad to see a presentation on this aspect of health care.
4.	The luncheon conversation with Dr. Satcher was the most useful for me. He imparted upon us useful and practical wisdom that can encourage us to be successful leaders in all aspects of what we do.
5.	The whole institute was useful. Hearing a professional like the former Surgeon General was particularly helpful and this has been a hallmark of the Institutes in that we hear from such outstanding experts and professionals in Substance Abuse and Mental Health.
6.	I gain an enormous amount of information on leadership and policy development.
7.	Dr. Yarandi's lecture

4. What topics and/or sessions were least useful to you?	
1.	Although I really enjoyed it I would have to say the visit to the Carter Center. Everything was just so good and useful.
2.	All topics and sessions were useful to me in every aspect.
3.	I thought they all were useful and were related to mental health.
4.	Not applicable
5.	I gained knowledge from each session.
6.	The Cherokee Health system. Thumbs down on the interactive videoconferencing.

5. Are there topics and/or speakers you would like to suggest for future Institutes?	
1.	NIH site visit.
2.	Substance Abuse and Mental Health Disparities in the Appalachian Region and Access to Treatment Services.
3.	More discussion about the social determinants of health. Specifically, what are they and are they similar or different across gender, race, age, ethnic, and cultural backgrounds?
4.	I have enjoyed the broad array of speakers and topics I have heard thus far and I remain confident that the staff will be able to maintain this high caliber of programmatic performance. Truly, the organizers of the Institute are stand out professionals and they should be recognized and retained for their ongoing exemplary performance.
5.	Cheryl Giscombe

6. Do you have additional comments to improve the quality of the Institutes?

1.	It was all very good, I have no suggestions
2.	The Institutes are well organized and they are informative. Great job!!!!
3.	Have statistics in the morning session.
4.	Please shorten the days. The information is always excellent; however, it is often difficult to process the information received, due to being overloaded with new information. Otherwise, the institutes have been wonderful. I always leave feeling refreshed, renewed, re-affirmed, and more confident about my work, and by ability to accomplish my academic and professional goals. Thank you Dr. Gary, Dr. Yarandi, and Janet for your dedication to all of us and our success!
5.	I would encourage the Institute to provide more free time in the later evenings to the Fellows so they may socialize informally among themselves. It was clear from various presenters that the development of a professional network was extremely important. As Fellows, we are situated to build relationships but an evening full of formal activities impinges on our time to develop our relationships. Having a dinner speaker is fine and some early evening activity is also fine but to schedule formal activities up until 10PM seems to burn out the Fellows and exhausts them thus deterring them from informal networking.
6.	A CV development workshop would be helpful.
7.	Well done. Simply a lot of material compressed into too little time.