



## **Working with the LGBTQ+ Population of:** **Youth and Adults**

*A Training Informational on an opportunity for  
Louisiana Behavioral Health and Crisis Workforce*

### **A. INTRODUCTION ABOUT THE TRAINING:**

In 2023, the [Center for Evidence to Practice](#) (Center for E2P) launched and implemented the ***Working with the LGBTQ+ of Youth and Adults*** training for evidence-based treatment providers for children and families through Medicaid-funded services; Louisiana Crisis Response System providers, etc. in Louisiana. This training was made possible through the support of the Transformation Transfer Initiative (TTI) awarded in 2022 by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) and through the need identified by the Office of Behavioral Health (OBH). In Louisiana, this initiative is focused on developing training for the Medicaid behavioral health provider networks to improve workforce competencies related to rendering behavioral health services to LGBTQ+ populations.

Building on this, the Center for E2P is launching a ‘Fast Track Training’ and ‘Champion Track Training’ for behavioral health providers who wish to increase confidence and capacity when working with LGBTQ+ youth and adults in Louisiana. This training will be offered at ***no*** cost; however, agencies must commit to the time and effort required to complete the training (e.g. setting time for their practitioners to participate fully in the training).

### **B. LGBTQ+ TRAINERS:**

Each of the trainers identified for this training opportunity share unique experiences that will help strengthen the training experience. Please review a description of each trainer below.

#### **1. Jabari Lyles:**

Jabari Lyles (they/he) has been working at the intersection of LGBTQ advocacy, K-12 education and public administration for over 15 years. Currently, Jabari collaborates with schools, nonprofits and other service providers across the U.S. to build their competence, confidence and capacity to provide safer, more affirming spaces for LGBTQ youth and adults. To learn more about Jabari and their work, visit [www.jabariconsults.com](http://www.jabariconsults.com).

#### **2. Kelly Wilson, LCSW:**

Kelly is a clinician, consultant and trainer working in Madison, WI. She has over 20 years’ experience in children’s mental health specializing in the treatment of child traumatic stress. Kelly has worked extensively with children in therapeutic foster care and in the outpatient treatment setting. She is a nationally recognized trainer of Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT). Kelly’s areas of focus include working with traumatized youth with Complex Trauma and working with LGBTQ+ youth and families. Kelly has a passion for

spreading evidence-based assessment and treatment models to frontline mental health professionals using the latest advances in Implementation Science.

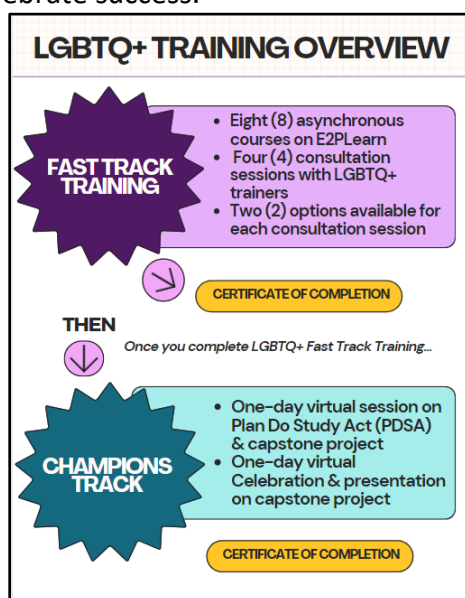
### 3. Dietz:

Dietz (any pronoun used with respect) is a transgender health educator, trainer and consultant who has specialized in the field of healthcare navigation in various iterations since 2012. Dietz helped organize and develop the first clinic focused on gender affirming healthcare in the state of Louisiana and is a co-founder and co-director of the trans health education collective TIDAL (Transgender Inclusive Development, Advocacy, and Learning). Dietz specializes in expanding and improving access to transgender and gender non-conforming healthcare throughout the South and strives to strengthen community coalitions through shared compassion, courage, and expressions of liberatory joy.

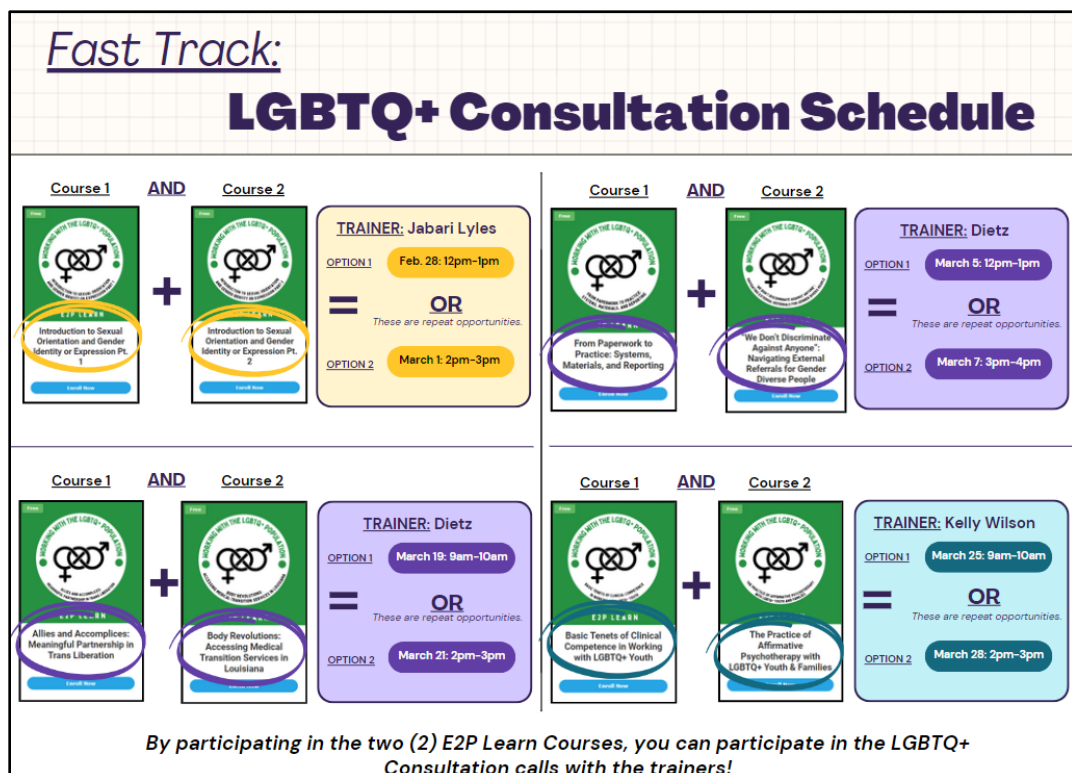
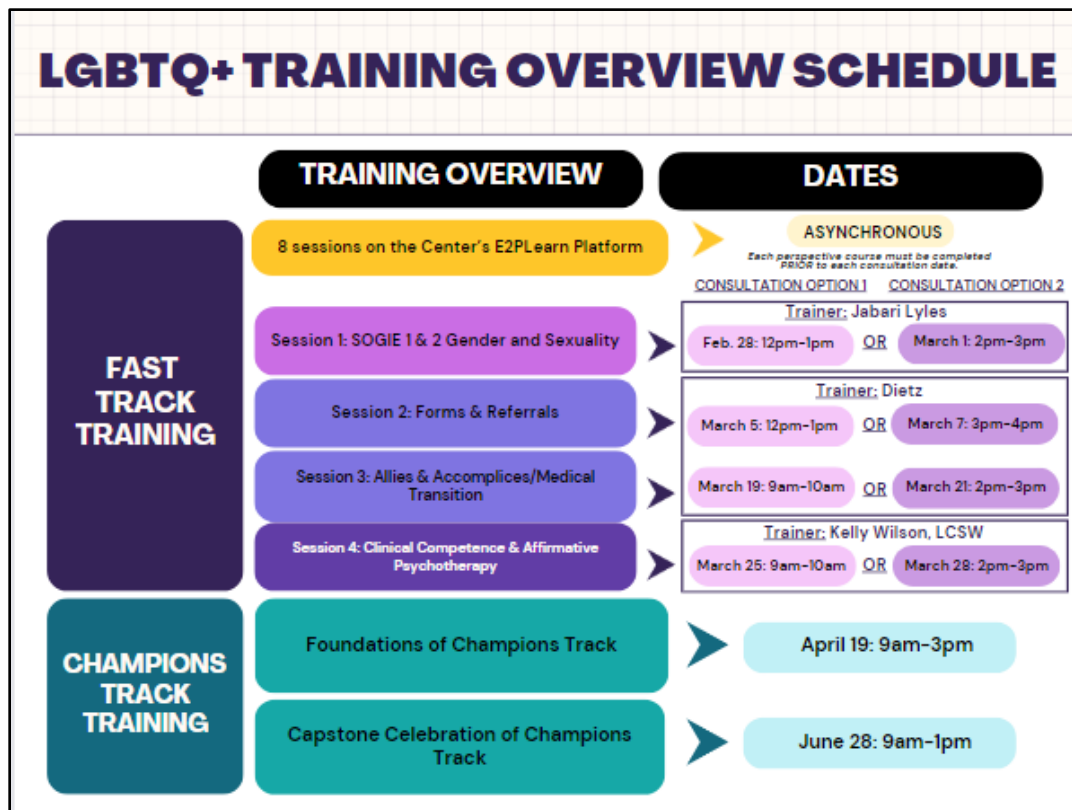
### C. TRAINING OVERVIEW:

Each of the LGBTQ+ trainers (see page 4 for information on the trainers) has prepared information that would be relevant to share and educate for each training. The training will consist of:

1. **Fast Track Training:** Trainees must complete eight (8) courses on the Center’s E2PLearn platform, followed by four (4) face-to-face Practice and Implementation sessions that will serve as consultation opportunities with the trainers.
2. **Champions Track Training:** Those who have completed the Fast Tracking Training can participate in this training. Trainees will complete 2 days of virtual training where participants will develop a capstone project and present it to celebrate their success. The presentation can be in the form of a PowerPoint, narrative, storyboard, etc.
  - a. One-day virtual Foundations Champions Track Meeting to develop capstone project using the Plan, Do, Study, Act (PDSA) – Learning Collaborative Methodology for Change
  - b. One-day virtual Celebration Champions Track Meeting to present capstone project and celebrate success.



## D. TRAINING SCHEDULE & LAYOUT:





### **E. CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS:**

The Center is a social work pre-approval organization through the Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners (LABSWE). Additionally, the National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC) approved the Center to become an NBCC Approved Continuing Education Provider (ACEP). Pending completion of training, meeting the required amount of training minutes, and completing the end-of-training evaluation, participants should receive a CE certificate for their participation in this training opportunity. For those whose credentials are outside of the LABSWE and NBCC; upon receiving the CE certificate, the Center encourage participants to submit the certificate to their licensing board for approval.

**IMPORTANT NOTE: Participants will receive CEs for each course completed on our E2P Learn platform and our Champions Track but NOT for the LGBTQ+ Trainer consultation hours.**