



The Future is Now:

Enhancing Drug Court Operations Through Technology

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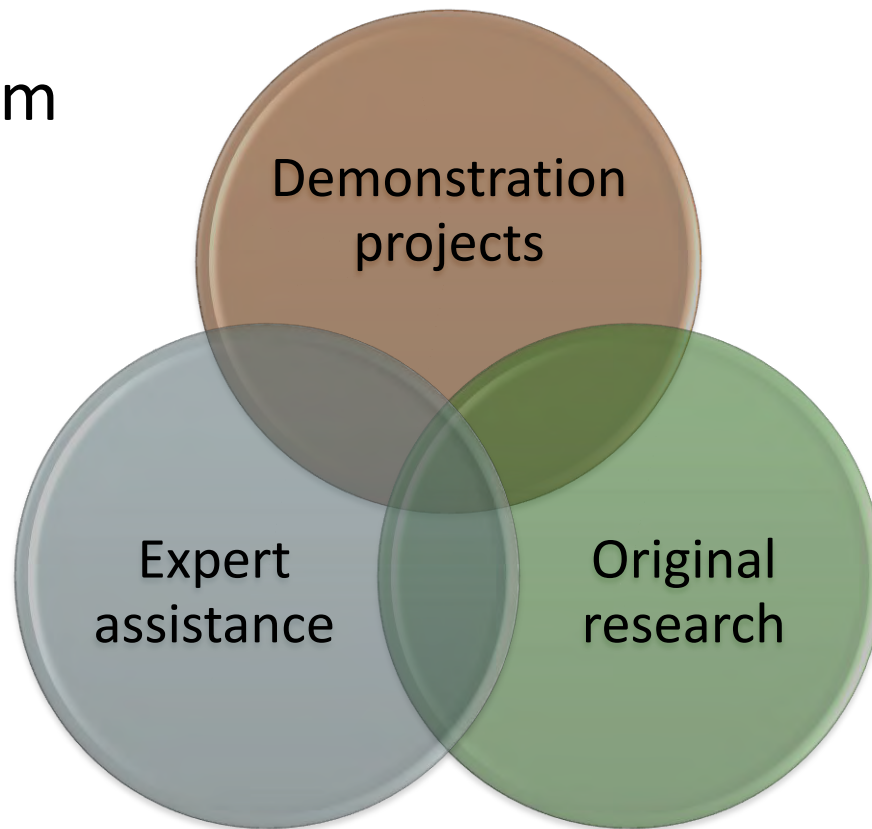
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Original Research

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	Expanding Access to Drug Court An Evaluation of Brooklyn's Centralized Drug Screening and Referral Initiative BY SARAH PICARD-FRITSCHÉ MAY 2010

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	A Statewide Evaluation of New York's Adult Drug Courts Identifying Which Policies Work Best BY AMANDA B. CISSNER, MICHAEL REMPEL, AND ALLYSON WALKER FRANKLIN CENTER FOR COURT INNOVATION JOHN K. ROMAN AND SAMUEL BIELER THE URBAN INSTITUTE ROBYN COHEN AND CAROLYN R. CADORET NEW YORK STATE UNIFIED COURT SYSTEM JUNE 2013
 URBAN INSTITUTE Justice Policy Center	

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Drug Court Training and Technical Assistance

BJA's "statewide" drug court T/TA provider

Statewide
strategic
planning

Statewide
training
strategy

Evidence-
based
practices

Online
Learning
System

Peer
assessment
and peer-
facilitated
learning

Teleservices
pilot
projects

▶ Does your court currently use technology?

▶ What challenges does your court currently face in the delivery of treatment and supportive services?

▶ What challenges does your court currently face in monitoring participants?

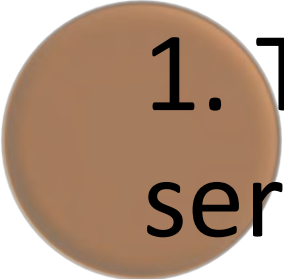
▶ What challenges does your court currently face in ongoing education for team members?

Overview of presentation

1. Defining “teleservices”
2. Using teleservices to expand the delivery of treatment
3. Using teleservices to enhance compliance monitoring
4. Using teleservices to enhance professional development
5. Examples of teleservices in state drug courts
6. Considerations for planning teleservices initiatives

TELESERVICES

“Teleservices” in the drug court context is the use of technology for...



1. Treatment and other services



2. Compliance monitoring



3. Staff training

Existing technology available to HTWCs and tribal members



Telephones



Smartphones



Computers



Email



Text messaging

Challenges faced by HTWC

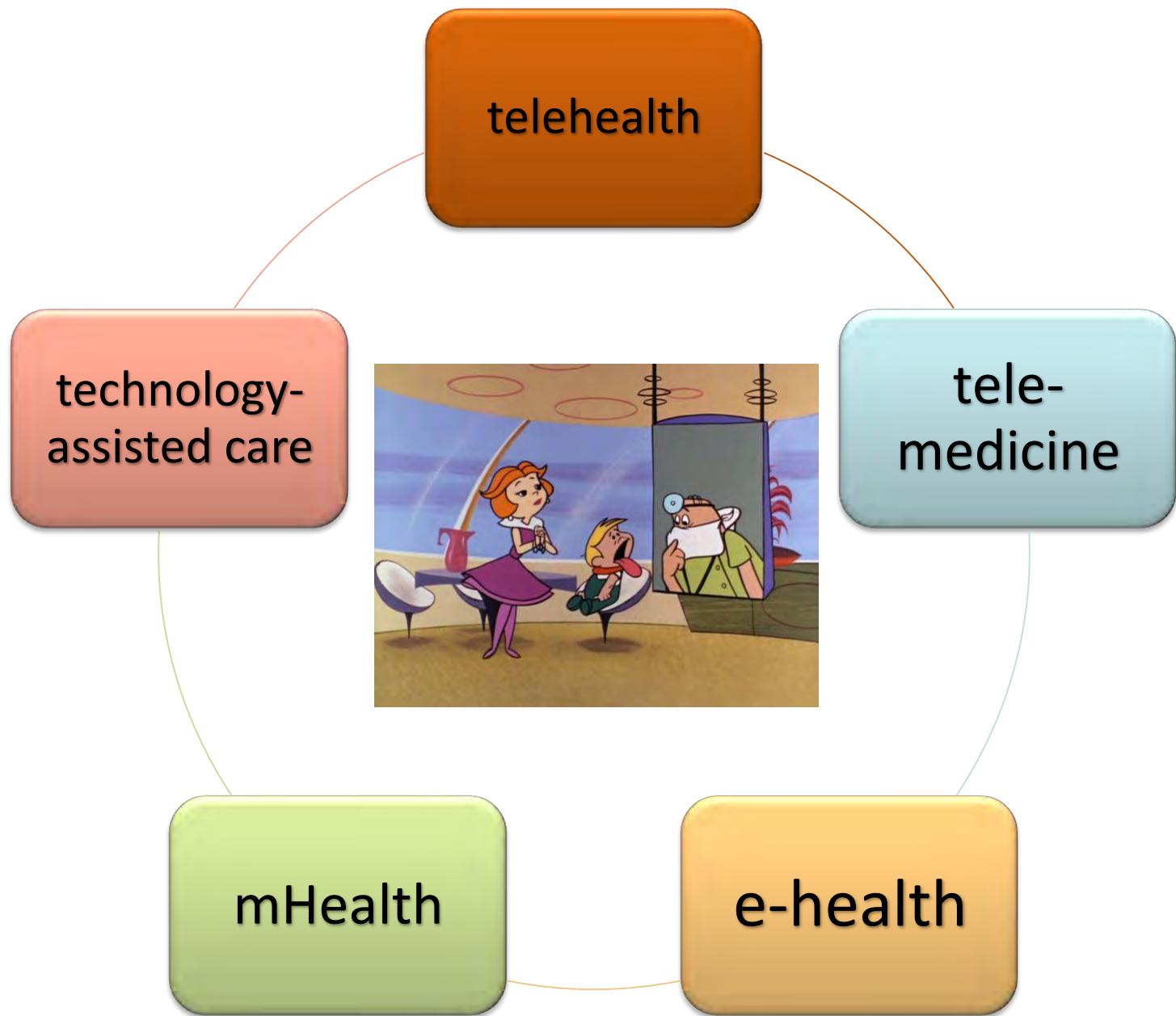
- ▶ Long distance to travel
- ▶ Lack of transportation
- ▶ Limited local treatment services
- ▶ Lack of funding
- ▶ Poor internet access
- ▶ Lack of confidence working with technology
- ▶ Lack of culturally relevant interventions

- ▶ Any others?

1. TREATMENT AND OTHER SERVICES



“Telehealth” uses
communications
technology to facilitate
the delivery of services
or exchange of
information between
patients and providers



Telehealth was first developed by NASA to track astronauts' physiological data while on space missions



The first known reference to telehealth?



Telehealth is a growing field

COPD

Asthma

Heart disease

Medication management

Neurology

Dermatology

Mental health

Substance use disorders

Prenatal care

Brain injuries



How can telehealth benefit drug courts?

- ▶ Delivery of evidence-based substance abuse treatment, and other supportive services
- ▶ Especially useful for rural/remote courts
- ▶ Saves travel time and money
- ▶ Overcomes other barriers to treatment
- ▶ Expands the arsenal of available services and specialties
- ▶ Can alleviate strain on provider caseloads

Some of the available evidence-based treatment interventions

- ▶ Treatment
 - CBT4CBT
 - TES
- ▶ Sobriety support and psychoeducation
 - SMART Recovery
 - MyStrength
 - Courage Beyond
 - Alcoholics Anonymous
 - American Online Learning Center

2. CLIENT SUPERVISION AND MONITORING

Teleservices can enhance a drug court's ability to...

Monitor participant compliance

- Remote BAC devices “fill the gaps” of traditional UA
- Special apps and devices track offender location
- Video compliance hearings between participant and probation

Facilitate communication between team members

- Staffing meetings
- Conduct dockets remotely

Learning from the medical field: Remote Patient Monitoring

- ▶ In the world of health care, providers use “remote patient monitoring” technology to collect, track, and transmit patient health data, sometimes on an ongoing basis

Example: chronic respiratory failure patients

- device monitors oxygen saturation of patient's blood and transmits vital statistics through the phone line
- Information sent to a receiving station where a nurse is available to provide a real-time remote consultation

- ▶ SCRAM bracelets: transdermal alcohol testing
- ▶ ERAM: remote sobriety detection through eye movement
- ▶ Call2Test: assists with randomizing and tracking UA
- ▶ Outreach Smartphone Monitoring: combines BAC device and GPS
- ▶ Step Away iphone app
- ▶ ACHES

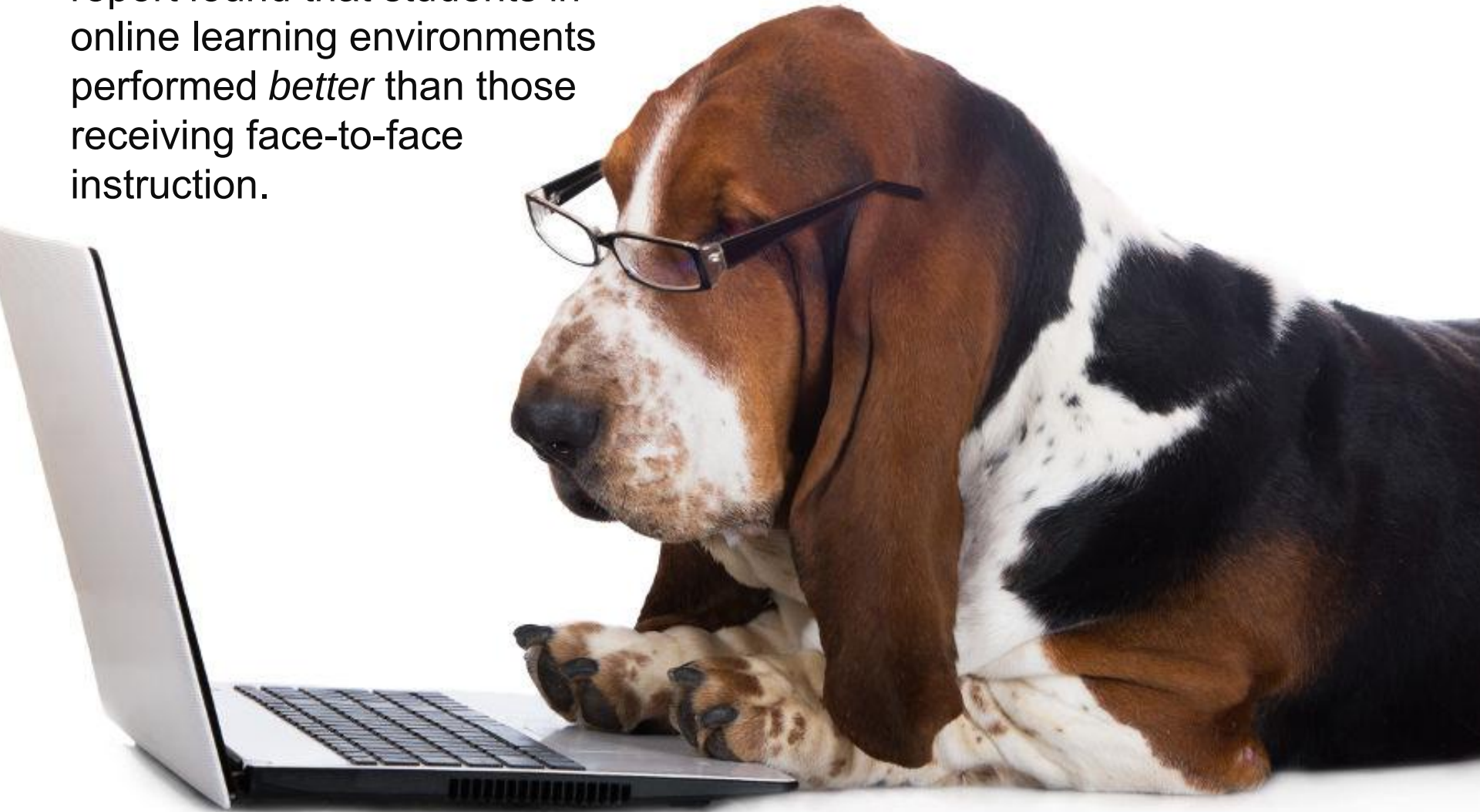


3. STAFF TRAINING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Why do drug courts need technology to help with staff training?

- ▶ Addiction treatment, as well as drug court best practices, are constantly evolving fields
- ▶ Practitioners must stay current
- ▶ It can be expensive and impractical to always attend in person training and conferences
- ▶ The solution is to supplement with technology: online courses, recorded webinars, and live broadcasts

U.S. Department of Education report found that students in online learning environments performed *better* than those receiving face-to-face instruction.



Center for Court Innovation's National Drug Court Online Learning System

National Drug Court Online Learning System

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Procedural Fairness (3:21)



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Lesson material

- ▶ Lesson Overview
- ▶ Pre-Quiz
- ▶ Reliable Detection (6:58)
- ▶ Timing of Supervision (3:...
- ▶ Magnitude of Sanctions (2...
- ▶ **Procedural Fairness (3:21...**
- ▶ Target Behaviors (5:09)
- ▶ Treat or Punish? (5:43)
- ▶ Carrot and Stick (8:04)
- ▶ Tangible Rewards
- ▶ Conclusion (4:42)
- ▶ Post-Quiz
- ▶ Evaluation

Lesson progress

Progress: 7.69%

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Unit operations

1. Print unit
2. Open unit in popup window

◀ Magnitude of Sanctions (2:35)

Set the unit as not completed

Target Behaviors (5:09) ▶

New HTWC Curriculum

- ▶ Partnering with TLPI to develop a Healing to Wellness Curriculum for the National Drug Court Online Learning System
 - ▶ Practitioner interviews
 - ▶ Role specific instruction
 - ▶ Virtual site tour
 - ▶ Reference Library
- ▶ We need your help:
 - ▶ Ideas for lessons
 - ▶ Who should we interview?

Addiction Technology Transfer Center Network



The screenshot displays the ATTC website. The header features a landscape image on the left, the ATTC logo and name in the center, and a woman using a tablet on the right. A left sidebar lists navigation options: Home, Trainings & Events, Products & Resources, Special Topics (with sub-links for Telehealth Tuesdays, Archives, Quarterly Update, Request a Training, and Licensing/Cert Boards), ToT Resources (with sub-links for New Ethical Dilemmas, Tech-based Clinical Supervision, and Telehealth Technologies), NFAR Summit (with sub-links for 2015 and 2014 Summits), Telehealth Policies, and Reimbursement. The main content area has a blue banner for 'Telehealth Tuesdays Media Series'. Below it, a welcome message states: 'Welcome to Telehealth Tuesdays. Telehealth Tuesdays is a series of media events on using telehealth technologies to deliver substance use disorder treatment and recovery services. Visit this page on the second Tuesday of each month to gain access to the collection of new resources such as podcasts, videos, mock counseling sessions and webinars. See you next Telehealth Tuesday!'. A section for 'Telehealth Tuesday #20 - August 11, 2015' features a promotional graphic for the 'NFAR Telehealth Tuesday Media Series Event'. This graphic includes the ATTC logo, the event title, a description of a live Twitter chat previewing NFAR's 3rd Annual Technology Summit, a list of participating Twitter handles (@nfarttc, @AODtxWorks, @CASATUNR, @PreferredFamily, @davidatrepp), the hashtag #nfarsummit2015, the date and time (August 11, 2015 | 11:00-11:30AM PDT), and the text 'Live Twitter Chat'.

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Telehealth Tuesdays Media Series

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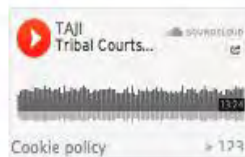


Indian Village Camp - Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS

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Northwest Intertribal Court System

- ▶ Free online database of hundreds of tribal court appellate opinions from 30 tribes from:
 - ▶ Pacific Northwest, Alaska, and Northern California

Webinars

- ▶ American University's School of Public Affairs
- ▶ Tribal Law and Policy Institute
- ▶ Children and Family Futures (family drug courts)
- ▶ National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (juvenile drug courts)
- ▶ SAMHSA/Center for Substance Abuse Treatment
- ▶ Individual state court drug association websites

CURRENT DRUG COURT INITIATIVES

Some drug courts are already using teleservices!



Oklahoma

- ▶ Extensive telehealth network to support the provision of substance abuse and mental health services across the state
- ▶ Drug courts capitalize on this capacity
- ▶ Counteracts clinician shortages and improves access to specialists, especially in rural areas



Nebraska

- ▶ Video conferencing kiosks at all courthouses
- ▶ Clients communicate with treatment providers and probation officers
- ▶ Teams conduct staffing meetings and training
- ▶ Expands access for participants in urban areas as well



Missouri

- ▶ Virtual World Counseling allows participants to use “avatars” to participate in group and individual counseling
- ▶ Uses Skype to verify participants’ identities
- ▶ Each participant provided with a laptop computer
- ▶ Regularly scheduled meetings using same evidence-based treatment practices as face-to-face treatment





Dave22

Day at a Time: should we go to our group now?

Private Chat: Day at a Time

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3:54 Day at a Time: This platform is great
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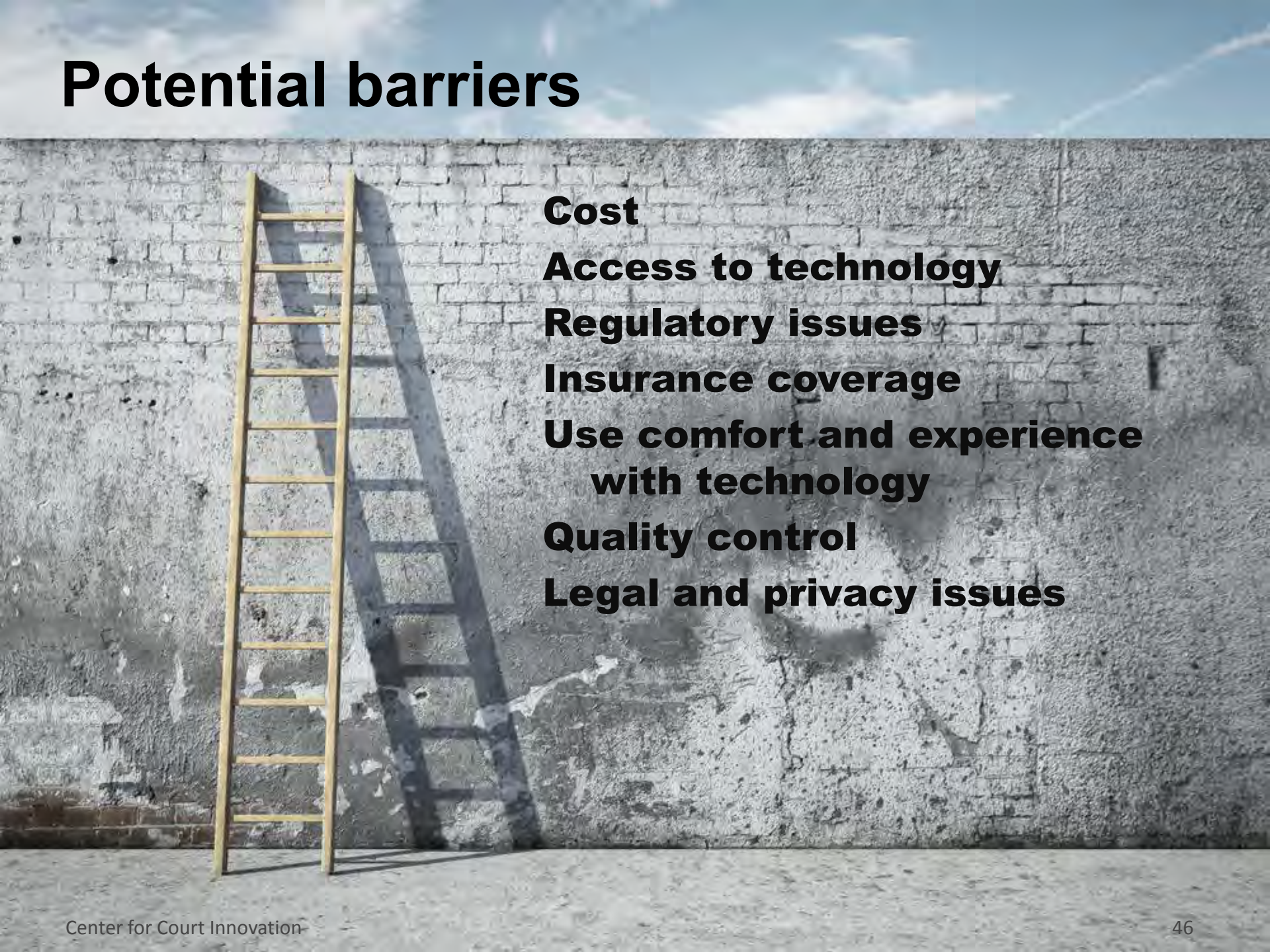
Montana

- ▶ Videoconferencing technology in every courthouse
- ▶ Piloting CBT4CBT and Matrix Model
- ▶ Matrix Model supplements traditional treatment
 - Facilitator administers the intervention via video
 - “Therapeutic monitors” observe the participants locally
- ▶ Staffing meetings, hearings, and monthly professional development meetings



CONSIDERATIONS FOR TELESERVICES PLANNING

Potential barriers

A wooden ladder leans against a high, grey stone wall. The wall is made of large, rough-hewn stones and has a weathered appearance. The ladder is made of light-colored wood and has many rungs. A long shadow of the ladder is cast onto the wall to its right. The sky above the wall is blue with some white clouds.

Cost

Access to technology

Regulatory issues

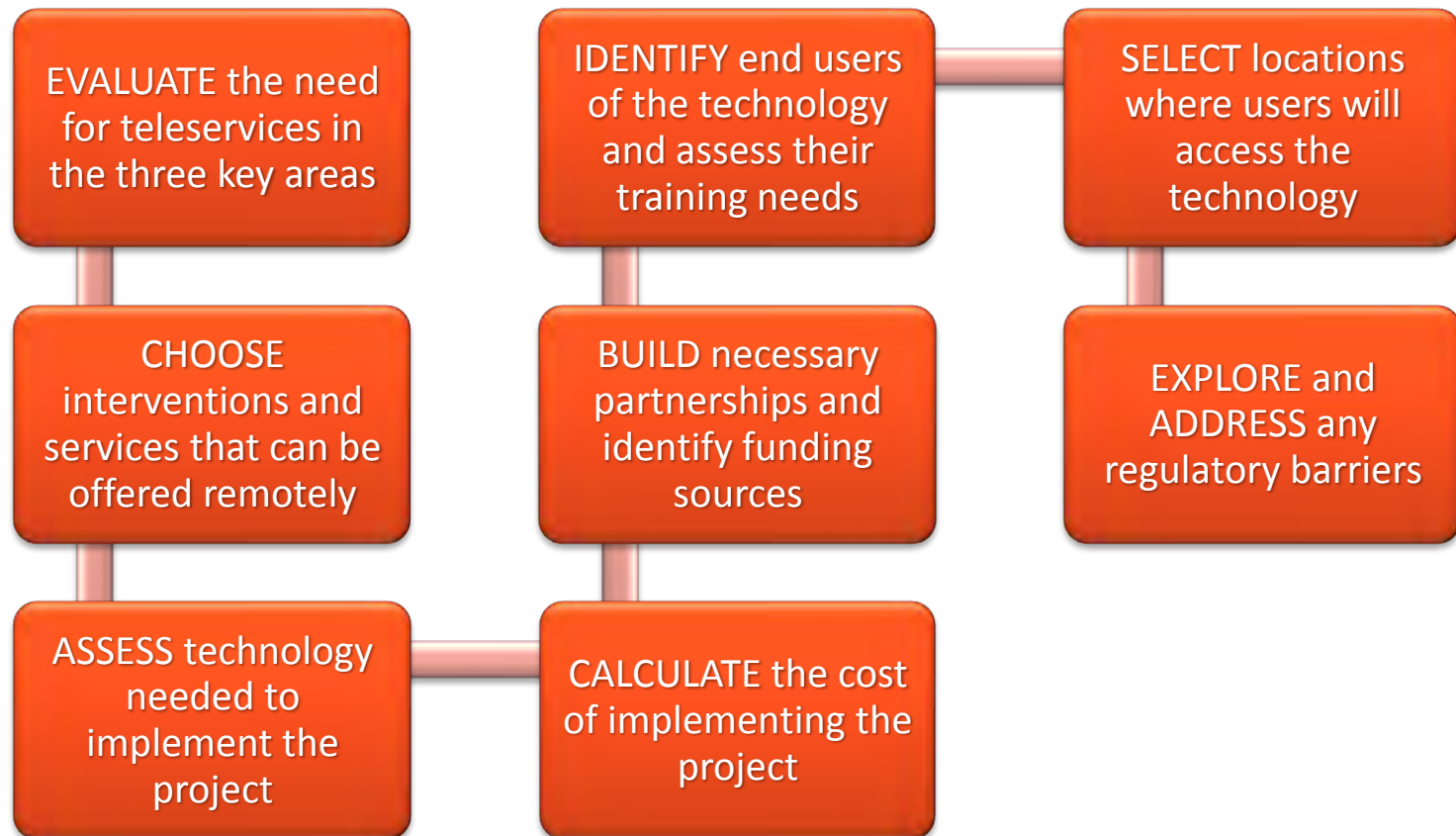
Insurance coverage

**Use comfort and experience
with technology**

Quality control

Legal and privacy issues

Recommendations

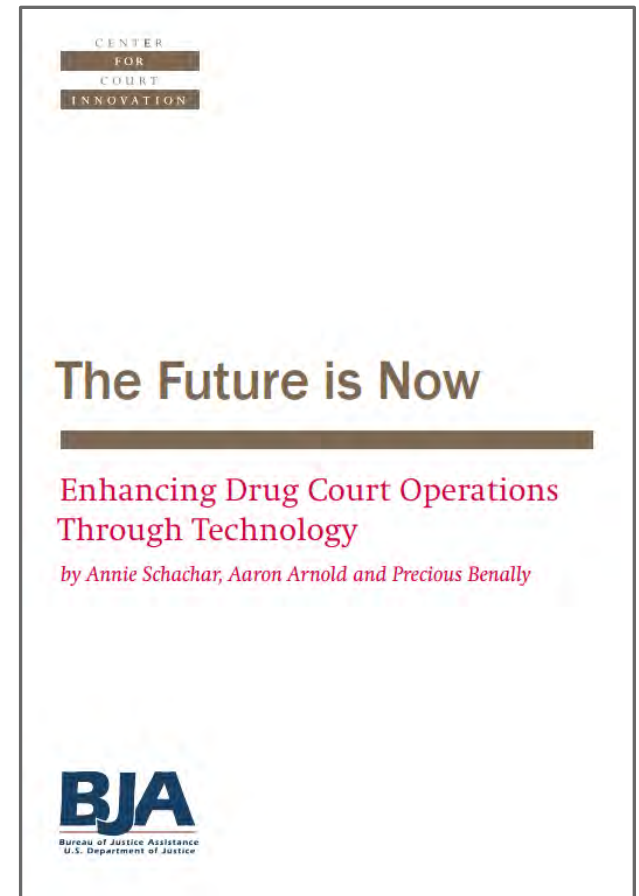


Quick Start Guide

1. Where are you lacking in providing services and monitoring your participants?
2. What kind of technology is already available to your participants and in your court?
3. Have you looked into partnerships with treatment and service providers who have a capacity to provide teleservices?
4. How can you utilize existing technology and relationships to broaden your provision of services and staff training?

Looking Ahead

- ▶ New publication: The Future is Now
 - Detailed examples
 - Literature review
 - Recommendations
- ▶ 3 pilot sites to be selected in October
- ▶ Training and technical assistance for other jurisdictions wishing to pursue teleservices



Thank you!

Questions? Technical assistance?

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