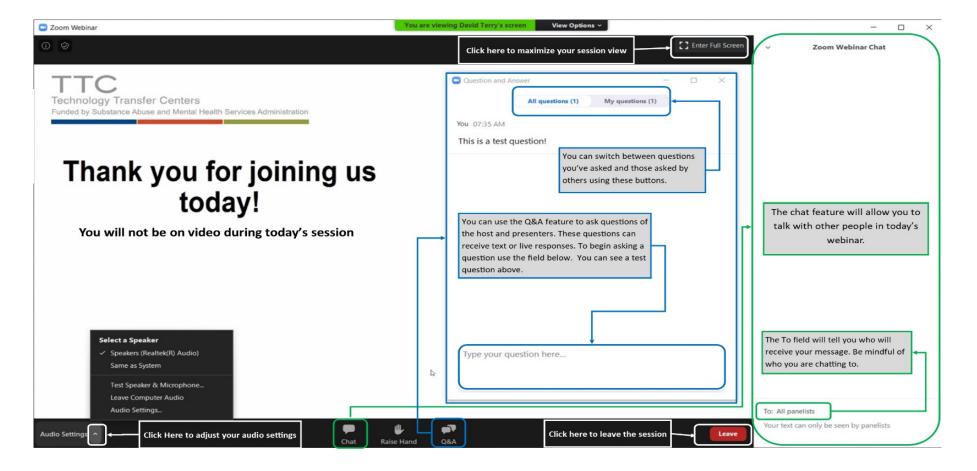
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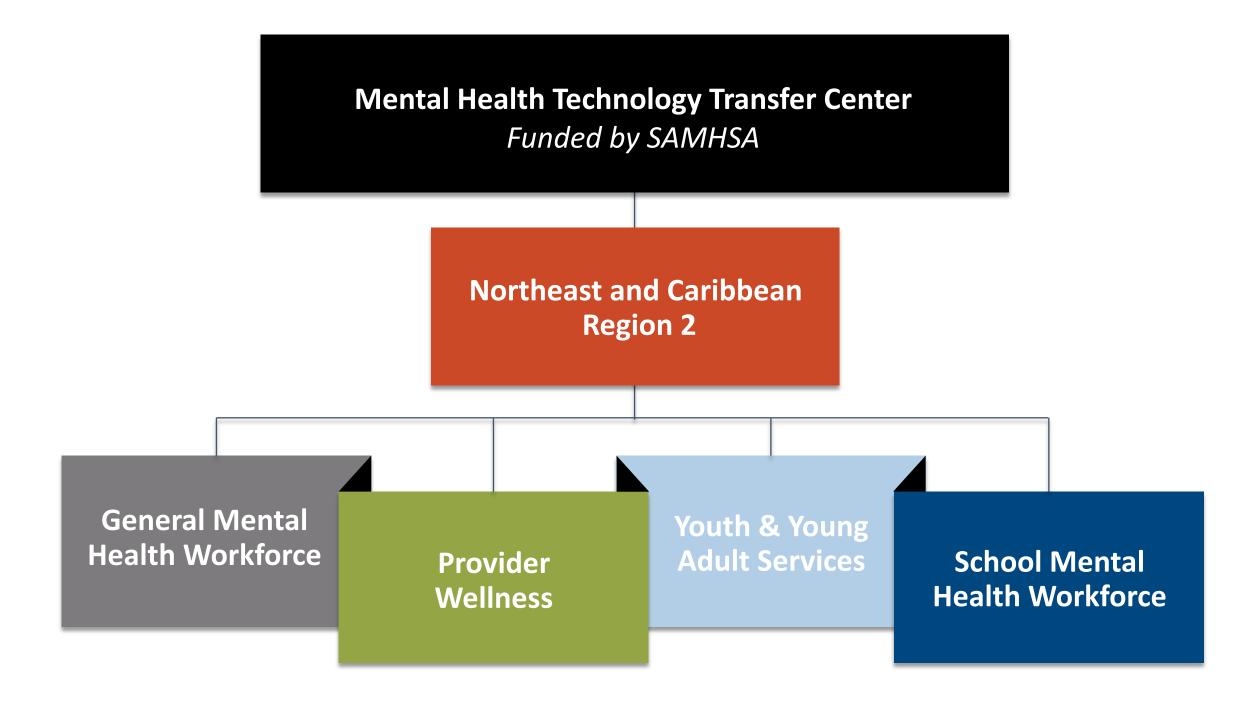


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Meet Today's Presenters



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Before we get started...

- Think of a time (any-not just education or employment) when you managed some bit of personal information.
- Write it down.
- Put it away---we won't be looking at it as a group but will refer to it later.



Objectives

- Distinguish between the terms disclosure and managing personal information.
- Describe the advantages and disadvantages of disclosure of sensitive personal information in education settings.
- Apply strategies to assist students with mental health conditions in managing personal information as related to post secondary education.



What comes to mind when you hear the word disclosure?



Types of Disclosure

- Third Party Disclosure
- Incremental Disclosure
- Entrapment
- Preparation & Rehearsal

• Venitis, Chernichky-Karcher & Gettings, 2018





Takes thought and planning

Can be reevaluated over time

Avoiding...



Managing Personal Information

Is most effective when a person...

- Is clear about the purpose and desired outcome.
- Discloses to the right person.
- Does so in a timely and appropriate manner.
- Is able to identify and articulate their strengths, skills, and disability-related needs.
- Is knowledgeable about their rights.

Mungovan & Quigley, 2013

Decision Making Strategies for MPI



CAREER PLANNING

EDUCATION PREPARATION

EDUCATION RETENTION

Heilscher & Wagnorn, 2015; Waghorn & Lewis, 2002; Waghorn & Spowart, 2010

Career Planning Phase

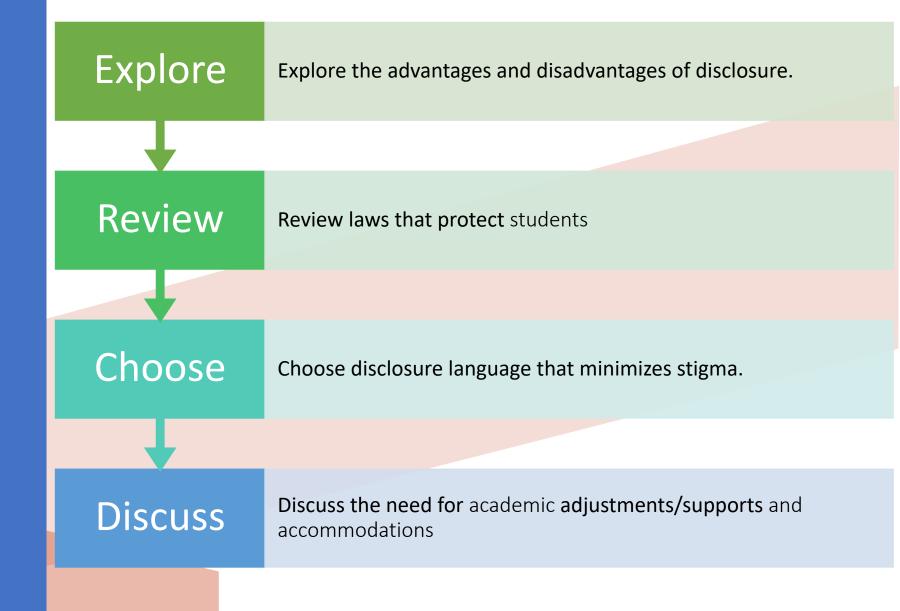
• Focus is on career development.

 Help students to identify "automatic disclosure" patterns.



Heilscher & Wagnorn, 2015; Waghorn & Lewis, 2002; Waghorn & Spowart, 2010

The Education Preparation Stage



McGahey, et al., 2016; Waghorn & Lewis, 2002; Waghorn & Spowart, 2010

Some reasons students may choose to disclose:

• Use the chat box to identify a reason why students may choose to disclose in a post-secondary education setting.



Some reasons students may choose not to disclose:

• Use the chat box to identify a reason why students may choose not to disclose.



Intersectionality of Disability Identity & Help Seeking Behavior

Benefits and Costs to Disclosure at School

Benefits

Costs

https://ipsworks.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Final-Fidelity-Manual-Fourth-Edition-112619.pdf

Disclosure Regret?



Salzer. 2002

Legislation Impacting Disclosure Decisions

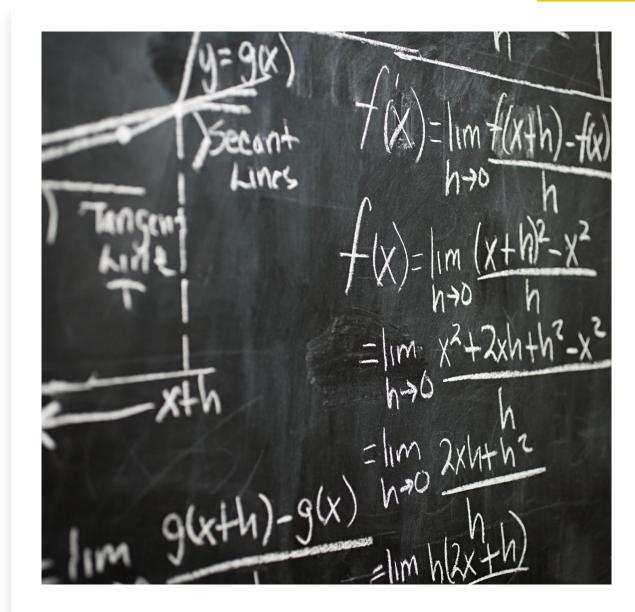
- Title II of the ADA
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act



Disclosure Efficacy

• Perceptions of one's ability to share specific information with an identified individual for a desired outcomes.

• Venitis, Chernichky-Karcher & Gettings, 2018



Disclosure Efficacy & Disclosure Strategy

- Mode of Disclosure
- Context of Disclosure
- Content of Disclosure

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Disclosure Decision Making

- Why
- When
- How
- What
- To Whom



The Why, When, What, and How of Disclosure in a Postsecondary Academic Setting | AdLit

Developing your Script

Describe	Describe your positive attributes or strengths first
Identify	Identify the limitations or challenges you face at school because of your disability
Identify	Identify which accommodations have worked best for you in the past and why.
Consider	Consider who you might disclose to and what outcome you anticipate. What if you get a different outcome than anticipated?
End	End the script with positive points
	Modified from the Job Accommodation Network's publication "Employee's Practical Guide to Negotiating and Requesting Reasonable Accommodations Under the

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Retrieved from: http://www.jan.wvu.edu/EeGuide/IIRequest.htm

The Education Retention Stage

- Modifying script for each class and or semester
- Identify strategies for social situations
- Modify accommodations if needed

Waghorn & Lewis, 2002; Waghorn & Spowart, 2010

Putting it Together

Jane is interested in completing her undergraduate degree, she is enrolled in her local community college for the fall semester. She has some education already in her chosen field but needs to complete an additional 21 credits. She hasn't been in school for a while and is uncertain if she should disclose to her school that she has a diagnosis of bipolar disorder.

What would you do to assist Jane in exploring this decision? What are some considerations to her decision making around managing personal information?

What are the advantages to Jane disclosing?

What are the disadvantages to Jane disclosing?

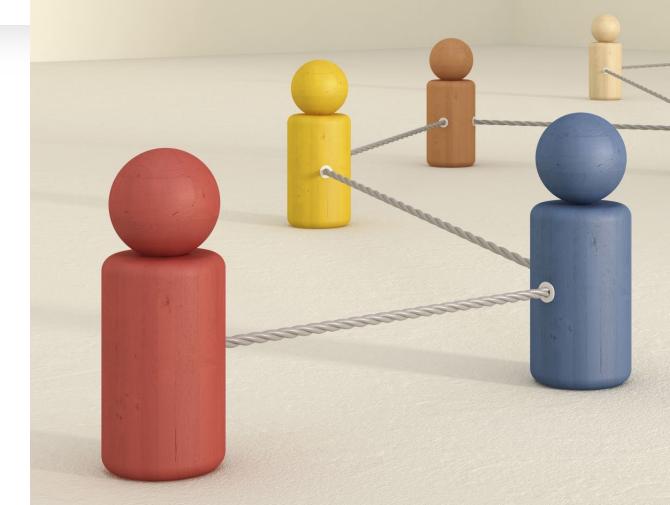
Under what circumstances might Jane disclose?

What strategies will you use to assist Jane with this decision?

SEd Service Conceptualization

- Breakout groups
- Using the Service Conceptualization form, identify one person you are working with and review the questions with your group members.
- After time is up, report back to the larger group.

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To Summarize

- The language we use helps to minimize negative associations.
- There are benefits and costs to disclosure/MPI
- Effective strategies for MPI at all stages of services.



Questions or Comments?

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Resources

- Job Accommodation Network
 - (800) 526-7234 or <u>http://askjan.org</u>
- Americans with Disabilities Act
 - (800) 514-0301 or https://www.ada.gov/

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