



**Wayside**  
RECOVERY CENTER

**Wayside Recovery Center & YourPath Health Presents**

"Not Just Another  
MAT Bootcamp"

**SAVE THE DATE:**  
**Oct 14-15**

*Building Equity through Culturally Responsive Care Approaches to Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) for African American & East African Women and Families Experiencing Substance Use Disorders*

**Thursday, October 14 | 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.**  
**Friday, October 15 | 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. (DEA Waiver Training)**  
*Register at [waysiderecovery.org/matbootcamp](https://waysiderecovery.org/matbootcamp)*

Join a community of healing professionals as we delve into and address systemic disparities in accessing medication-assisted treatment (MAT). Explore geographic trends in opioid and substance use disorders (OUD/SUD) and the history of racism and race-specific policies that contribute to these trends. We will examine social determinants of health and their effects on treatment and living in recovery in maternal and infant populations. We will examine social determinants of health and their effects on treatment and services for peripartum, maternal, and infant populations. We will learn from people with lived experience as Black and East African Immigrants/Refugees, Indigenous, and individuals of color living in recovery, as well as from those who care for them. Our objective for this experience is that each participant will develop a personal plan to engage with and work to reduce race-based disparities in outcomes related to OUD/SUD issues more generally. This bootcamp will be free to attend. Details about CEU and CME are available online at [waysiderecovery.org/matbootcamp](https://waysiderecovery.org/matbootcamp).

For questions or to be notified when registration opens, please contact Nicole Fernandez at [nicole.fernandez@waysiderc.org](mailto:nicole.fernandez@waysiderc.org).



## MAT Bootcamp Presenters

**George Lewis** is founder and CEO of Motivational Consulting and author of Bami Soro. George is in long-term recovery from OUD and has worked for decades around culturally specific care for the Black community.

**Tiffany Irvin**, CPRS, is in long-term recovery and serves as Director of Peer Services at Minnesota Recovery Connection.

**Philip Gyura** is an accomplished and versatile Nurse Practitioner with a proven track record of leadership and performance in rapidly changing, diverse environments. His experience includes leading efforts to develop innovative, low-barrier services for people with issues related to substance use, HIV, HCV treatment and LGBTQ health. His ability to blend the medical and evidence-based standards of care with person-centered and recovery-oriented approaches has been effective in his various roles as program director of mobile healthcare programs in New York City and The Twin Cities, as well as his work as a waiver trainer and consultant for health systems across the country. He currently serves as Chief Medical Officer for YourPath, an organization improving access to care for some of the Twin Cities' most vulnerable populations.

**Jordan Hansen** is an experienced leader focused on delivering value to healthcare systems through implementation of effective, integrated care for people with substance use disorders. Jordan previously was the Vice President of Strategy and Growth for a recovery technology company, and before that, was the Clinical Director of Hazelden Betty Ford's Professional Education Solutions team. In that role, he built a program and team that provided innovative solutions at the federal, state, local and program level. He is particularly interested in building innovative technology-driven services to address inequity and system dysfunction, helping to establish effective, low-threshold medication-assisted treatment programs in emergency departments, correctional settings, primary care clinics, and specialty care facilities; assisting with strategic development of effective, recovery-oriented systems of care in rural areas and among underserved populations; and affecting cultural shifts across service systems. Passionate about blending evidence-based approaches with the lived experience of individuals and families in recovery, Jordan is especially interested in changing the healthcare conversation toward a discussion of "healing systems."

**Yussuf Shafie**, MSW, LICSW, LADC, is a graduate of the University of MN. Yussuf is an active and well-respected member of the addiction community. He is a licensed Drug and Alcohol Counselor with the Board of Behavioral Health. He completed his internship with the Community University Health Care Center as a Social Work Triage Specialist, and he continued on as a Mental Health Practitioner with CUHCC. In 2015, Yussuf opened Alliance Wellness Center in Bloomington, MN, a DHS licensed Substance Abuse Outpatient and Inpatient Treatment Program. He is Board member of the Minnesota Trauma Project and Minnesota Recovery Connection. Yussuf's passion is to bring wellness to those affected by addiction and mental health problems.

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