START-UP PHASE

Goal I Preparation for Intervention Implementation

Objective 1.1 Establish Expectations and Working Relationships with the Implementation Technical Assistance Center (ITAC), Dissemination and Evaluation Center (DEC) Intervention Leads, and Technical Assistance (TA) Content Experts

Activity	Completion Date	Responsible Parties	Potential Barriers	TA Strategies
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a) Review the intervention protocol.	5/15/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts, DEC	Scheduling conflicts	Conference calls/ Webinars
b) Review and compile a list of tools to be used by Intervention Staff during the implementation phase, including the acuity scales, care plans, case study templates, and a data dictionary.	6/15/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts, DEC	Scheduling conflicts	Conference calls/ Webinars
c) Plan for the convening agenda and performance site trainings.	6/15/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts, DEC	Scheduling conflicts	Conference calls/ Webinars
d) Schedule monthly ITAC Lead and TA Content Expert "check-in" calls and/or meetings.	6/15/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts	Scheduling conflicts	Onsite meetings/ Conference calls
e) Performance sites meet with ITAC Intervention Lead and review implementation plan and TA agenda, inclusive of site visit protocols.	7/1/16	ITAC	Scheduling conflicts; delay in funding agreement	Onsite meetings
 f) Performance sites meet with DEC Intervention Lead and review multisite evaluation (MSE) plan; identify MSE data collection and reporting procedures; establish MSE reporting timeline; identify MSE TA needs. 	7/1/16	DEC	Scheduling conflicts; delay in funding agreement	Onsite meetings/ Conference calls
g) Onsite, multisite, and conference call meeting schedules are established between performance sites and ITAC, DEC, TA Content Experts.	7/1/16	ITAC	Scheduling conflicts	Onsite meetings/ Conference calls

Objective 1.2 Identify Additional Training and Support Needs

Activity	Completion Date	Responsible Parties	Potential Barriers	TA Strategies
 a) Conduct functional assessment to determine training and TA support needs related to implementation of the intervention model, relationship building and strengthening, use of acuity tools, work flow efficiency, and integration of patient navigation with existing programs. 	7/1/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts, DEC	Scheduling conflicts; delay in funding agreement	Onsite assessment
b) Provide TA support to assess staffing needs, hiring protocols, and deadlines.	7/1/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts, DEC	Personnel policies	Onsite assessment
c) Provide TA support to assess protocol needs related to: referrals, safety and boundary issues, patient intake/assessment, and confidentiality/Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).	7/1/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts, DEC	Scheduling conflicts; delay in funding agreement	Onsite assessment
 d) Provide TA support to assess current comprehension and use of electronic medical records (EMRs), and areas in need of improvement. 	7/1/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts, DEC	Lack of knowledge and use of EMR	Onsite assessment
 e) Provide TA support to assess and address internal/ external gaps in services. 	8/31/16 – ongoing	ITAC, TA Content Experts, DEC	Scheduling conflicts	Onsite meetings/ Conference calls
f) Review National HIV/AIDS Strategy (NHAS) with performance site and assess what elements of the strategy the intervention will address.	7/1/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts, DEC	Unfamiliarity with the NHAS	Onsite meeting/ Convening

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Goal 2 Provide Necessary Training to Implement Intervention

Objective 2.1 Train Project Staff and Agency Leadership

Activity	Completion Date	Responsible Parties	Potential Barriers	TA Strategies
 a) Train staff on intervention protocols and components. 	8/26/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts, DEC	Lack of knowledge of specific program model	Webinar/Convening/ Conference calls
 b) Train intervention staff and management in theoretical basis for intervention and assess management's buy-in. 	8/26/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts, DEC	Unfamiliarity with theoretical bases for interventions and use of social and behavioral theories	Webinar/Convening
c) Train supervisory staff on how to work with and supervise Patient Navigators.	9/30/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts, DEC	Unfamiliarity with working with Patient Navigators	Webinar/Convening/ Conference calls
d) Train intervention staff and management on network of care needed for comprehensive support for program participants, including: establishing community referral networks and creating and tracking comprehensive memorandum of understanding (MOUs) that include timelines for referrals and MOU renewal protocols.	8/26/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts, DEC	Culture of local service area related to collaboration vs. competition	Onsite training/ Convening/ Conference calls
e) Train staff in strategies for establishing staff integration, such as intervention team meetings, supervision protocols (clinical/administrative), and strategies for integrating Patient Navigators into the clinical team.	9/30/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts, DEC	Organizational capacity, culture, and protocols	Onsite training/ Convening/ Conference calls
f) Train Data Manager in MSE data collection and reporting.	8/26/16	DEC (with support from ITAC)	Unfamiliarity with Boston University database	Webinar/Convening
 g) Train Project Manager on using FoundationConnect for submission of program reports. 	8/26/16	ITAC	Unfamiliarity with FoundationConnect	Webinar/Convening
h) Train Project Manager on federal funding compliance requirements and AIDS United financial procedures.	8/30/16	ITAC	Lack of organizational capacity and systems	Training/Provide AIDS United grantee manual

Goal 3 Provide Support for Local Institutional Review Board (IRB) Approval

Objective 3.1 Advise and Provide Templates for IRB Application

Activity	Completion Date	Responsible Parties	Potential Barriers	TA Strategies
 a) Provide training on applying for and securing IRB approval. 	6/15/16	DEC (with support from ITAC)	Logistics with scheduling	Webinar
b) Conduct follow up with each site on progress with IRB.	9/30/16	DEC (with support from ITAC)	Delays with IRB process	Conference calls
c) Determine if annual IRB renewals are secured	9/30/2016 9/30/2017 9/30/2018	DEC (with support from ITAC)	Unfamiliarity with the renewal process	Conference calls

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INITIAL IMPLEMENTATION PHASE

Goal I Implementation and Capacity Building

Objective I.I Train Project Staff

Activity	Completion Date	Responsible Parties	Potential Barriers	TA Strategies
 a) Conduct training needs assessment with staff, inclusive of knowledge of the HIV Care Continuum in their geographic area. 	9/30/16 – ongoing	ITAC, TA Content Experts	Scheduling conflicts	Onsite assessment/ Online survey
b) Train supervisory staff to teach Patient Navigators the protocol.	11/30/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts	Unfamiliarity with the protocol	Onsite meetings/ Webinars/ Convening
c) Train intervention staff on the intervention curriculum as well as key areas of patient navigation, such as motivational interviewing, coaching, and mentoring of patients.	11/30/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts	Unfamiliarity with subject areas	Onsite training/ monthly conference calls
 d) Train staff on strategies for supporting the integration of Patient Navigators into the clinical team and on case conferencing protocols. 	11/30/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts	Challenges with organizational culture and protocols	Onsite training/ Webinars/ Conference calls
 e) Train staff in areas that support patient navigation activities, including: cultural humility; stigma around HIV and drug use; issues of race, ethnicity, and privilege; and other socioeconomic issues. 	11/30/16	TA Content Experts	Unfamiliarity with subject areas	Onsite training/ Webinars
f) Conduct trainings on gender-specific psychosocial experiences of women of color, including but not limited to advocating for children; engagement of the legal, health care, and school systems; and issues related to gender-based violence, such as trauma- informed care, post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), and its impact on treatment adherence.	11/30/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts	Unfamiliarity with subject areas	Onsite training/ Conference calls
g) Train staff/community partners in HIV medical case management; HIV 101; antiretroviral therapies; treatment compliance; and stigma related to HIV status, drug use, and other areas.	11/30/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts	Unfamiliarity with subject areas	Onsite training/ Conference calls
h) Train staff in assessing gaps in services and building community partnerships.	11/30/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts	Lack of experience is building community partnerships	Onsite training/ Conference calls
i) Train staff in the use of the EMR.	11/30/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts	Lack of experience with EMR	Onsite training/ conference calls

Objective 1.2 Evaluation Preparations

Activity	Completion Date	Responsible Parties	Potential Barriers	TA Strategies
 a) Prepare agenda/material for training at first DEII convening. 	7/30/16	DEC (support from ITAC)	Scheduling conflicts	Conference calls
 b) Establish standard call between Intervention Staff and DEC. 	7/30/16	DEC (support from ITAC)	Scheduling conflicts	Onsite meeting
 c) Provide support to secure technology (laptops/ tablets) and Internet capacity. 	8/30/16	DEC, ITAC	Lack of organization capacity	Onsite meeting/ Conference calls
d) Train management on DEC evaluation protocols regarding collecting and submitting data and forms.	8/30/16	DEC (support from ITAC)	Unfamiliarity with DEC protocols	Onsite meeting/ Conference calls/ Convening

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Objective 1.3 Staff Development

Activity	Completion Date	Responsible Parties	Potential Barriers	TA Strategies
 a) Provide training on identification, assignment, and initial outreach strategies for patients eligible for Patient Navigation services. 	11/30/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts	Unfamiliarity with the model	Onsite meeting/ Conference calls
 b) Train staff in implementing the initial intervention components (e.g. assessment, patient care plan) outlined in the grantee manual. 	11/30/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts	Unfamiliarity with the model	Onsite meeting/ Conference calls/ Webinars
c) Train staff in health education material and protocols for conducting sessions with patients.	11/30/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts	Unfamiliarity with health education material	Onsite meeting/ Conference calls/ Webinars
 d) Train staff in service coordination, resource development, patient advocacy, and protocols for crisis management and staff safety. 	/30/ 6 – ongoing	ITAC, TA Content Experts	Unfamiliarity with subject areas	Onsite meeting/ Convening/ Conference calls/ Webinars
e) Train staff in the components of action plan monitoring, inclusive of case conferencing.	11/30/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts	Unfamiliarity with patient monitoring	Onsite meeting/ Conference calls/ Webinars
f) Train staff in supervision goals and objectives.	11/30/16	ITAC, TA Content Experts	Challenges with organizational culture and protocols	Onsite meeting/ Conference calls

Goal 2 Provide Ongoing Support for Implementing Sites

Objective 2.1 Ensure Collaboration and Sharing of Strategies Across Sites

Activity	Completion Date	Responsible Parties	Potential Barriers	TA Strategies
 a) Facilitate sharing of successes, challenges, and strategies among implementing sites. 	11/30/16 – ongoing	ITAC, TA Content Experts, DEC	Scheduling conflicts	Conference calls

Objective 2.2 Track Program Outcomes

Activity	Completion Date	Responsible Parties	Potential Barriers	TA Strategies
 a) Provide support to staff in referral tracking systems, continuity of care, and coordination with community referrals. 	/30/16 – ongoing	DEC (support from ITAC)	Unfamiliarity with structured tracking systems	Conference calls/ Webinars
b) Provide support and training in the areas of data tracking and cleaning and standardizing information flow from the EMR. This includes mapping chart collection to a location in the EMR.	11/30/16 – ongoing	DEC (support from ITAC)	Unfamiliarity with data collection protocols	Conference calls/ Webinars
c) Conduct quality assurance reviews.	/30/16 – ongoing	DEC (support from ITAC)	Scheduling conflicts	Site visit

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MAINTENANCE PHASE

Goal I Provide Ongoing Support for Implementing Sites

Objective 1.1 Ensure collaboration and sharing of strategies across sites

Activity	Completion Date	Responsible Parties	Potential Barriers	TA Strategies
 a) Facilitate sharing of successes, challenges, and strategies among implementing sites. 	ongoing	ITAC, TA Content Experts, DEC	Scheduling conflicts	Conference calls

Objective 1.2 Share Impact of Intervention Across Sites

Activity	Completion Date	Responsible Parties	Potential Barriers	TA Strategies	
a) Share national evaluation data as available.	ongoing	ITAC, TA Content Experts, DEC	Lag time until sufficient data is collected to share	Conference calls/ Webinars	
 b) Sites will share case studies of participants served through the intervention, as well as staff experiences. 	ongoing	ITAC, TA Content Experts	Unfamiliarity with case study presentation format	Conference calls/ Webinars	

Goal 2 Ensure Continuity and Fidelity to Program Model through Staffing Changes

Objective 2.1 Provide Training for New Staff

Activity	Completion Date	Responsible Parties	Potential Barriers	TA Strategies
 a) Schedule training with all new staff to include an overview of key intervention elements and evaluation. 	Within one month of a staff member's start date	ITAC, DEC	Challenges with organizational culture	Requirement of implementing sites to be included in grantee manual

PROGRAM INTEGRATION PHASE

Goal | Planning for Integration of Program Model

Objective 1.1 Assess Organizational Sustainability, Including Integration of the Patient Navigation Intervention

Activity	Completion Date	Responsible Parties	Potential Barriers	TA Strategies
a) Provide access to structured sustainability assessment tools.	5/30/18	ITAC, TA Content Experts, DEC	Lack of specific funding to continue intervention	Washington University's Program Sustainability Assessment Tool/ Webinar
 b) Provide TA support to explore future Medicaid reimbursement for Patient Navigator services and obtaining billing codes, if applicable. 	5/30/18	ITAC, TA Content Experts, DEC	Unfamiliarity with billing protocols; state restrictions	Onsite assessment/ Convening/ Conference calls
c) Provide individualized coaching on maintaining intervention, inclusive of role of front desk staff to identify potential recipients of patient navigation services, intra-organization conferencing, and the permanency of a "patient navigation" field in the EMR.	12/20/18	ITAC, TA Content Experts	Lack of motivation to sustain intervention	Onsite meeting

Objective 1.2 Assess Impact of Intervention Implementation

Activity	Completion Date	Responsible Parties	Potential Barriers	TA Strategies
 a) Conduct qualitative interviews with Intervention Staff, key stakeholders, and patients. 	5/30/19	ITAC, DEC	Lack of specific funding to continue intervention	Onsite meeting/ Online survey