

## Background

After recognizing a growing number of nursing facility residents with complex behavioral health needs and limited staff capacity to support them, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) established the Center of Excellence for Behavioral Health in Nursing Facilities (COE-NF) to improve the quality of life and care for residents with serious mental illness (SMI), substance use disorders (SUD), and co-occurring disorders (COD).

## NATIONAL REACH – 2023 TO TODAY

### OBJECTIVES AND STRATEGIES

Since the program's establishment in 2023, the COE-NF has obtained national reach by:

- ▶ Creating a centralized hub of behavioral health resources, training and workforce development support for nursing facilities.
- ▶ Disseminating tailored materials to nursing facilities via social media, email, and text messaging to improve knowledge and understanding.
- ▶ Building strategic national, regional, and state partnerships to support a wide range of impactful initiatives.
- ▶ Providing live and on-demand training, allowing staff to learn at their convenience.

### RESULTS

#### Database Reach:



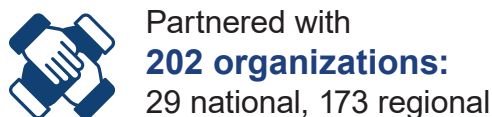
#### Training:



#### Resources:



#### Collaboration:



Scan the QR code to access additional resources, training opportunities, and success stories from COE-NF in action.

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