

## PWI/EPOC Webinar: Re-entry and Diversion

Presented by Catherine Lovvorn January 26th, 2023

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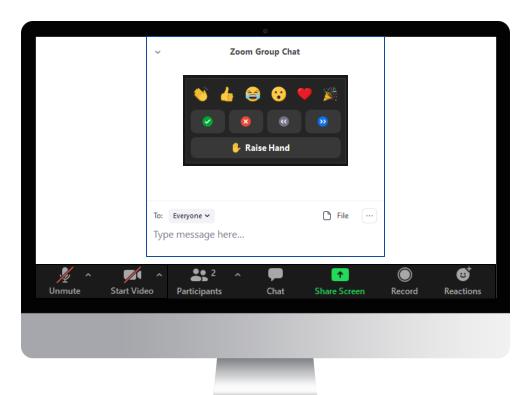


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### Indigenous Land Acknowledgement

- We respectfully acknowledge that we live and work in territories where indigenous nations and tribal groups are traditional stewards of the land. Our California office resides in Tongva territory.
- Please join us in supporting efforts to affirm tribal sovereignty across what is now known as California and in displaying respect, honor, and gratitude for all indigenous people.

#### Whose land are you on?

Option 1: Text your ZIP code to 1-907-312-5085

Option 2: Enter your location at <a href="https://native-land.ca">https://native-land.ca</a>

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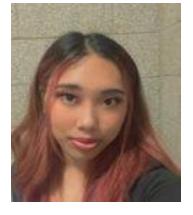
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### Meet the Presenter

 Catherine Lovvorn is a woman in long-term Recovery. She is a Certified Peer Specialist of Addictive Disease and mental health. A Forensic Peer Mentor and a successful reentered citizen. Catherine is a wife and mother that is strong in her faith. Catherine spent 5 years working and leading a Recovery Community Organization.



#### What is Re-entry and Diversion?

- noun
- re en try ()rē- en-trē
- 1
- : a retaking possession
- especially : entry by a lessor on leased premises on the tenant's failure to perform the conditions of the lease

• 2

• : a second or new entry



 When you meet someone who was recently released from incarceration how do you treat them?

 What do you think happens when an individual is released from jail/Prison?

• How do we know what they need?

#### Individuals re-entering the society may need...

Housing	Mental health medications
Identification	Employment
Transportation	Counseling
Food	Guidance
Mental health/Substance Abuse Treatment	What else?
Recovery Resources	
Community Engagement	
Safe place	



#### Create a basic needs checklist

What do they need first?
Do they have Identification?
Do they feel safe?
Do they have shelter?
Do they have food?
Have they reported to probation or parole for their city?
Do they need assistance with behavioral health needs?
Do they need direction to recovery meetings?



# Challenges and Fears

What are they?



#### Finding Housing

- Finding Employment
- Getting Identification
- Getting a Birth Certificate
- Getting a Social Security Card
- Healthy Support
- Getting a Bank Account
- Finding Mental Health Services
- Finding a Dentist and a Physician
- Paying for Medication

### **Common Questions to Self**

Will I be accepted?

Can I really make it our here? I don't remember how to do this!

Can I really learn how to live life again on the outside?



#### **Intentional Peer Support**

A peer has the ability to assist, walk beside and coach the individual(s) as they transition back into society.

Offering support, guidance, and resources. While assuring then that this process takes time and your right there with them.

## Warning Signs

- Using Drugs or alcohol
- Not attending Groups
- Stops reporting to probation or parole
- Not paying court fines and fees
- Having a consistent bad attitude
- Sense of Entitlement, things are owed to them
- Stops looking for employment





### Action Steps for Warning Signs

Offer resources for....

- Peer coaching
- Directions to a local Recovery Community Organization
- Resume Writing Services
- Contact for Department of Human Health



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