



Advanced Behavioral Health, Inc.

## ATR III PROVIDER ALERT

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**Date:** July 30, 2014  
**To:** ATR Providers  
**Subject:** Access to Recovery IV (ATR IV)

The CT Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) recently submitted an application for Access to Recovery IV (ATR IV) funding from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). Unfortunately, DMHAS recently received notification from their SAMHSA Project Director that Connecticut was not a recipient of the ATR IV award.

As the Affordable Care Act is changing how healthcare is delivered, SAMHSA decided to sunset ATR (ATR IV is the last iteration of the grant), awarding only 6 grants for ATR IV, which is down from the 30 ATR III awardees. CT has had a long and successful run with ATR, having been a grantee for the first 3 cycles (ATR I-III); a total of 10 years.

DMHAS acknowledges the success of ATR I-III was due to the significant contribution of the service providers and the network lead agencies in each region. The commitment and collaboration among all entities produced and sustained an innovative program that has helped tens of thousands of individuals establish and maintain recovery.

We believe the success of ATR in CT contributed to awards going elsewhere in the country where recovery services are not as developed. We can all take pride in our proven commitment to provide effective, relevant services important to people in recovery.

All ATR funded services will be ending on September 29, 2014. Please join us at our next scheduled provider meeting on 8/12/2014, at CVH in Middletown, for a discussion on the closing out of ATR. DMHAS will be reaching out to the portal agencies this week to notify them about the status of ATR IV.

If you have questions or concerns that need to be addressed before the provider meeting, you may contact Amy Miller, ATR Program Manager at ABH at 860-704-6152 or Mark Vanacore, ATR Program Manager at DMHAS at 1-860-418-6829.

Thank you for your on-going commitment to supporting those in recovery.