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Bringing Recovery Supports to Scale

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CENTER STRATEGY

Devin Reaves, MSW, is co-founder and executive director of the Pennsylvania Harm Reduction Coalition (PAHRC). PAHRC's mission is to promote the health, dignity, and human rights of individuals who use drugs and the communities affected by drug use. Recognizing that social inequity, criminalization, and prejudice silence those affected most, PAHRC advocates for policies that improve the quality of life for people who use drugs as well as for people in recovery and their communities.

Mr. Reaves is a person living in recovery since 2007. A community organizer and grassroots advocacy leader, he worked to expand access to the lifesaving medication naloxone, implant 911 Good Samaritan policies, and develop youth-oriented systems. Mr. Reaves wants to build constituencies of consequence that lead to meaningful public health policy changes on substance use disorders. He has a master's degree in social work from the University of Pennsylvania School of Social Policy and Practice with a focus on community and organizational change, and a bachelor's degree in human services from Lynn University. He serves on the Camden County Addiction Awareness Task Force and the Association of Recovery Schools' board of directors.