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Bringing Recovery Supports to Scale

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CENTER STRATEGY

Sharon LeGore is an accomplished parent advocate working in the substance use and co-occurring disorder fields for more than 19 years. Ms. LeGore is the founder and president of MOMSTELL, a parent advocacy organization that focuses on substance use disorders. She has worked on drug and alcohol policies, state budgets, and legislative issues in Pennsylvania, where she was instrumental in the crafting, passage, and implementation of legislation to create the nation's first statewide Parent Advisory Council for Substance Use Disorder Issues.

Ms. LeGore serves on the SAMHSA Center for Substance Abuse Treatment National Advisory Council, representing the family voice. She also co-directs the National Family Dialogue for Families of Youth with Substance Use Disorders, which strives to unite families across the nation to strengthen, improve, and sustain substance use treatment and recovery systems. Trained by the Center for Motivation and Change and the Partnership for Drug-Free Kids in the evidence-based practice of Community Reinforcement and Family Training known as CRAFT, Ms. LeGore uses her peer-to-peer parent coaching skills to help other parents who are seeking recovery for loved ones with substance use or co-occurring disorders.

From her own experience, Ms. LeGore learned about the importance of self-care, which has become a significant part of her education program for parents. She excels in her collaborative skills and has worked for over 13 years providing family involvement technical assistance across the country. Ms. LeGore co-authored the report *Families of Youth with Substance Use Disorders: A National Dialogue*, issue briefs titled *Family Involvement in Adolescent Substance Abuse Treatment* and *Family Involvement in Child-Serving Systems and the Need for Cross-Systems Collaboration*, and other publications. She resides in York, Pennsylvania, where she volunteers in her community on the executive council and leadership team of the York County System of Care.