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**Session 1: Motivational Interviewing Basics and Introduction to POLAR\*S**

**Date and Time:** December 16, 2020 | 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

**Location:** Virtual Training (on Zoom)

**Target Audience:** Physicians, Nurses, Advanced Practice Providers, Social Workers,   
Psychologists, and Pharmacists

**Program Overview:**

By the conclusion of the training, attendees should be able to do the following:

* Define motivational interviewing (MI) and describe the MI spirit.
* Recognize the “righting reflex” and describe the importance of resisting it.
* Define change talk and demonstrate appropriate ways to respond.
* Define sustain talk and demonstrate appropriate ways to respond.
* List the steps in the POLAR\*S framework.

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| **Time** | **Topic** | **Presenter(s)** |
| 12:00 PM – 12:05 PM | Welcome, Introductions, & Program Overview | * Brianna McDonough, * Abby Talbert * Dan Lomauro * Lori Abbott * Whitney Menarcheck |
| 12:05 PM – 12:20 PM | Motivational Interviewing (MI) and the MI Spirit | * Brianna McDonough |
| 12:20 PM – 12:35 PM | Recognizing Change Talk and Sustain Talk | * Brianna McDonough * Abby Talbert * Lori Abbott |
| 12:35 PM – 12:50 PM | Introduction to POLAR\*S | * Brianna McDonough |
| 12:50 PM – 12:55 PM | Applications to Practice | * Brianna McDonough * Lori Abbott * Whitney Menarcheck |
| 12:55 PM – 1:00 PM | Questions and Wrap-Up | * Brianna McDonough |

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