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**Cheryl Gagne, Sc.D.**, has worked in the field of behavioral health for over 25 years, as a clinician, researcher, professor, and trainer and is currently a Senior Associate at C4 Innovations (C4). She has expertise in workforce development and implementing evidence-based practices in behavioral health agencies. Dr. Gagne has developed training and training-of-trainers programs in dozens of content areas and has expertise in developing client-level educational materials. Currently, Dr. Gagne is the director of Praxis, a program that offers training and technical assistance to substance use disorder treatment programs. Praxis trains providers in the knowledge and skills of opioid overdose prevention and reversal, medication-assisted treatment, HIV/AIDS, viral hepatitis and harm reduction. Recently, Dr. Gagne worked with others at the Center for Social Innovation (C4) to develop a shared decision-making tool for medication-assisted treatment for opioid addiction. Prior to joining C4, Dr. Gagne worked at the Center for Psychiatric Rehabilitation at Boston University, where she conducted research and training on rehabilitation and recovery from mental illness and co-occurring disorders. She has developed a range of innovative services designed to assist people with mental illness and addiction to live, learn, and work in environments of their choice and to improve their overall health and quality of life. Dr. Gagne has developed and conducted training programs in recovery-oriented services across the U.S. and internationally. In addition to her clinician and training positions, Dr. Gagne has acted as the director of several service research projects, including Recovery Education Center, the Supported Employment Research Project, and Hope and Health Research Project.

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