“Effectiveness and implementation research with vulnerable populations: Designing research to have maximum real-world impact”

This presentation will describe principles of T2 (efficacy/effectiveness), T3 (implementation), and T4 (community scale-up and policy) research, as well as community-engaged research, using examples from Dr. Johnson’s NIH-funded studies on ways to improve mental health and substance use care for vulnerable populations, including justice-involved individuals and pregnant women.

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