Our stories are powerful

I am delighted to share Treatment Advocacy Center’s Annual Report, showcasing our accomplishments throughout the year 2022.

It is with immense pride that I reflect on the dedication of our team, the unwavering support of our donors and benefactors, and the positive impact that we as an organization have had on the lives of everyone affected by severe mental illness (SMI).

We at TAC remain steadfast in our commitment to remove barriers to the treatment of SMI and we continue to scale our efforts on behalf of individuals, families, and a country in desperate need of change. Through our relentless advocacy, timely research, and support to those impacted by SMI, TAC has emerged as the leading organization in reshaping how society views and treats those with SMI.

2022 saw another banner year in TAC advocacy, action, and accomplishments. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our talented team members who have consistently gone above and beyond to drive TAC’s mission forward. Their unwavering passion, expertise, and commitment are the bedrock of our many achievements.

Dear family members, advocates, supporters, and friends,

In 2022, as the world emerged warily and wearily from the worst of the COVID-19 pandemic, we at Treatment Advocacy Center came out swinging. Over the course of the year, we unleashed greater-than-ever energy and passion into our mission to eliminate barriers to the timely and effective treatment of severe mental illness. The outcomes were significant.

In 2022, we received the Morgan Impact Award from Peg’s Foundation, a testament to our efforts to increase access to and improve the quality of assisted outpatient treatment programs throughout the country. Our grassroots advocates and legislative team helped pass California Governor Newsom’s CARE Court initiative, and we were instrumental in shaping the bill to secure the advancement of laws and policies for SMI treatment.

We also released the first-ever SMI research report of, by, and for women. “Listen to Us” brought to light the marginalization of women with SMI and showed the need to examine people’s unique experiences and perspectives to successfully identify and dismantle barriers to treatment.

Throughout 2022, we as an organization were propelled by the stories of the communities and constituents we serve. We share the conviction that, collectively, our stories are tremendously powerful. When we share our stories, our stories are ever more powerful. They coalesce and create the wave of change that the individuals and families we serve so desperately need.

In 2022, as every other year, it was your generosity that enabled us to collect and share these stories and to set and achieve such ambitious goals. This year, and every year, we thank you for your support that propels a brighter future for everyone affected by SMI.

Board President

Executive Director
Our Mission

Treatment Advocacy Center (TAC) is a national nonprofit organization dedicated to eliminating barriers to the timely and effective treatment of severe mental illness (SMI). We promote laws, policies, and practices for the delivery of psychiatric care.

We also support the development of innovative treatments for and research into the causes of severe and persistent psychiatric illnesses, such as schizophrenia and bipolar disorder.

On Behalf Of

8.9 million adults with SMI
58% of those with SMI who don’t receive treatment
$28 billion in hospitalization costs per year
2022
In Review
Our Impact
At a Glance

Treatment Advocacy Center has produced
350 "Research Weekly" blogs

Treatment Advocacy Center has produced
24 background papers on topics related to severe mental illness

The implementation team has
997 number of media hits in the past year

The implementation team has
visited 8 states in the past year and

863 e-learners are using our AOT learning modules

3 reports in the past year

9x staff delivered testimony to a legislative body in the past year

9 AOT sites visited in the past year

Trained approximately 400 people on various aspects of AOT in the past year

AOT Learning Network is made up of 520 AOT practitioners representing 41 different states and territories

66 AOT Programs that the implementation team has provided with technical assistance in the past year

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Treatment Advocacy Center's advocacy team helped to pass nine priority bills, changing assisted outpatient treatment (AOT) laws and improving inpatient commitment standards in more than half of the states across the U.S.

TAC, alongside our partners, successfully secured language in the federal omnibus budget bill expressing support for the Advanced Research Project Agency for Health to fund clinical SMI research.

Treatment Advocacy Center's work helped to secure the federal reauthorization of AOT grants with increased funding.

Our advocacy team prompted over 750 advocacy actions across 5 states to include: California, Maryland, Ohio, New York, and Virginia.
TAC’s Office of Research and Public Affairs (ORPA) published a major new research report, “Listen to Us: The Unique Experience of Women with Severe Mental Illness,” examining the unique experiences and obstacles faced by women with severe mental illness.

Director of Research Elizabeth Sinclair Hancq later published an op-ed in “The Hill” discussing how Advanced Research Project Agency for Health could revolutionize medicine for women with severe mental illness.

In researching this report, our team conducted focus groups to hear directly from women with SMI about their experiences, perspectives, and challenges, all of which was recorded in a series of graphic illustrations included in the report.

ORPA also continued the publication of Research Weekly: insightful, dynamic research summaries that address and analyze barriers to treatment for severe mental illness.
Treatment Advocacy Center was awarded more than $1M in grants, including an award from the Peg’s Foundation, to continue building AOT programs nationwide. Thanks to these grants, we were able to further develop a user-friendly and HIPAA-compliant data collection tool and database. This year we also formed the AOT Institute Advisory Board to help transition TAC’s AOT Implementation Department into a National AOT Institute.

In October, Treatment Advocacy Center hosted attendees representing 30 states and one U.S. territory at our National AOT Symposium and Learning Collaborative in San Antonio, Texas, bringing together over 300 AOT stakeholders, professionals, family members, and graduates for two days of collaborative learning.

The implementation team partnered with the California Judicial Council to provide a full capacity in-person training in Sacramento on implementing “Laura’s Law;” 26 of California’s 58 counties sent teams of judicial officers and behavioral health administrators.

Our Family Focus Group, inspired by groundbreaking AOT professionals Judge Elinore Stormer and Dr. Daniel Garza, conducted an impactful conversation resulting in graphic depiction by artist Erica Bota capturing “What Families Want” from AOT teams.
The work of Treatment Advocacy Center was featured across a variety of highly respected national news publications, including, but not limited to: Oprah Daily, The New York Times, The Seattle Times, US News & World Report, and the Associated Press.

Treatment Advocacy Center’s Communications Department hosted two successful internship programs in 2022. Participants in the internship program received direct mentorship from our team, learned about our work eliminating barriers to treatment for severe mental illness, gained exposure to groundbreaking research and effective advocacy, and published articles in the biannual print Catalyst newsletter and on Treatment Advocacy Center’s online blog, respectively.

Photo courtesy of the New York Times
Individual Donors and Foundations

Thanks to the generosity of our donors, Treatment Advocacy Center is able to continue its vital work advocating for effective treatment options and improving the lives of those affected by severe mental illness and their loved ones. Without your support, our work would be impossible. Thank you for being a beacon of compassion and making a difference for our community.

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2021-2022 Financials

Revenue

- Contributions: $2,273,809
- Stanley Foundation: $600,000
- Contract revenue: $216,377
- In-kind: $59,300
- Other income: $3,854

Total Revenues: $2,993,888

Expenses

- Education and advocacy: $1,645,450
- Management and general: $509,004
- Fundraising: $159,539

Total Expenses: $2,313,993

Change in net assets: $679,895
Net Assets (beginning of year): $1,486,278
NET ASSETS (end of year): $2,166,173