



Training and Technical Assistance Request Program (TTARP)

TTARP Consultant Biographies



TAYLAN STULTING is a Policy Associate involved with multiple projects across the Institute, focusing on initiatives that support survivors of gender-based violence. Taylan brings over eight years of experience working with survivors through research, grassroots organizing, policy development, direct service, and community education with a particular focus on working with queer and transgender survivors. Most recently, they worked as the Enough is Enough Coordinator at Kingsbridge Heights Community Center where they oversaw gender-based violence prevention and advocacy. They also serve as the Research Co-Chair for the Campus Advocacy and Prevention Professionals Association, a national organization providing support to gender-based violence professionals in higher education, and are a circle keeper for Hidden Water, an organization working to end child sexual abuse through restorative justice practices. Taylan received a B.A. in Women's and Gender Studies from Bucknell University, an M.A. in Gender, Violence and Conflict from University of Sussex, a M.S.W. with a Certificate in Trauma Practice from Simmons University.

ALISON DIÉGUEZ is a Program Director who oversees the Institute's work on Gender Based Violence and Trauma. She has over 18 years of experience in the fields of trauma, gender-based violence and community violence. Prior to her work at ISLG, she was the Director of Planning and Community Resilience at the Center for Court Innovation Red Hook Community Justice Center where she designed, launched, and managed several court- and community-based programs and led broader efforts in strategic planning. She's also worked within the NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene's Bureau of Mental Health and served as a Clinical Forensic Specialist at Safe Horizon's Brooklyn Child Advocacy Center. Ms. Diéguez holds a B.A. from Purchase College at SUNY and an M.S.S.W. from Columbia University School of Social Work.



KRISTEN PARSONS leads performance measurement under several [Criminal Justice Investment Initiative focus areas](#), working with grantees to develop metrics as well as analyze and synthesize performance data. These include the Increase Access to Services for Survivors of Crime; Trauma-Informed Abusive Partner Intervention Program (TI-APIP); Community Navigators; and the College-in-Prison Reentry (CIP) Initiatives. She is also part of the research team conducting a mixed methods process evaluation of the CIP and has co-authored the mid-evaluation report to be released in 2021. Kristen earned her M.S. in criminal justice from Roger Williams University and received her B.S. in criminal justice from Marist College. Her research interests include reentry and diversion; drug policy; eyewitness (mis)identification; and the impact of combat sports on aggression and risk of criminality.

NEAL PALMER is a Research Project Director and since 2015 has overseen performance monitoring and evaluation for the [Criminal Justice Investment Initiative](#), established by the Manhattan District Attorney's Office and administered by ISLG. He has provided research- and data-related technical assistance to a variety of foundations, government agencies, and CBOs. Neal is the co-PI on the process evaluation of the College-in-Prison Reentry Initiative and led ISLG's work with the NYPD Federal Monitor on an implementation of body-worn cameras, including a large team of CUNY student researchers who conducted neighborhood-based surveys of NYC residents. Neal's prior research focused on gender and sexuality in education and human development; while at GLSEN, he published on LGBTQ-related school discipline and justice system involvement, discrimination, and youth victimization. Additionally, Neal has taught graduate courses in social science research methods. He holds an M.S. and a Ph.D. in Community Research and Action from Vanderbilt University.

