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Hi, everyone

I'm sure you are all in the midst of training right now. Hope all is going well.

Here are some of the latest updates that you might want to know:

- 1. The 4 Core problems (Andrews, Baker, Caldwell, and Davenport) are complete and are included in the Core Training Exercises Checklist on the TP4F Student page.
- Some instructors have asked for the Powerpoint slides used in the lessons we have provided. Therefore, we have provided Powerpoint slide decks with narration and without narration in the TRS Downloads section of our shared website for instructors <u>https://sites.google.com/site/tanjtrc/home</u>. You can modify or use these decks as needed in your district.
- Release 1 of the answers for the NTTC Workbook exercises will be posted on our shared website. The answers are done using the existing 2020 TSO software. There will be a Release 2 version after TSO has implemented all the new tax law changes for 2020. Note: answers using 2019 software will not be provided this year.
- 4. We are now working on additional more advanced training materials for both returning and new volunteers. We have divided the new materials into 2 sections on the TP4F student page under All Preparers: <u>Advanced Topics</u> – We recommend that all counselors be trained on these topics <u>Other Topics</u> – These materials might be useful, depending on the needs of your district. They could be used for all volunteers or just for selected experienced people Note: The Focused problems were moved under Other Topics as we added more material

We will be frequently updating this material as we learn more. We will also continue to add different topics as we finish developing them. Please check back into these 2 sections frequently to see what's new.

5. The NTTC has developed a lot of really good videos that you might find useful. To help you see what is available, we have included a list of them on the TP4F Student page under All Preparers. You can check appropriate filters at the top of the list to narrow down selections to fit your training needs. In addition, you can sort the list so that you can see the most recent videos that the NTTC keeps adding. (Thanks to Al Hershey for making our lives a little easier)

Thanks for some of your excellent feedback on some of the material you are already using.

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