INFORMATION FOR SYSTEM OF CARE COORDINATORS AND FAMILY PARTNERS RE: SOC LEARNING INSTITUTES

The North Carolina Collaborative for Children, Youth and Families has been working diligently to respond to feedback from local collaborative and family partners. After our conference last May, it was evident that local collaborative enjoyed the state conference and also requested training closer to home.

Therefore, we are offering each MCO region our assistance in designing and implementing a SOC Learning Institute. Our Executive Committee will be offering our resources to find a free facility, coordinate and recruit speakers and pay for lunch.

We have met with our cross-system state leaders and they have given us support and information on the latest issues, needs and strengths of communities in North Carolina.

Your only responsibilities are to reply to a survey about which workshops you believe would be well received in your area and to provide us with a one page short summary by August 1, so that we can put the money aside for your Institute. (The worksheet is attached to this e-mail) At our strategic planning meeting in December, we worked with all of you on the Institutes. Those plans are actively being addressed. These Institutes will be held in 2017.

We would like to suggest the following format for your one day Institute:

- A three-hour main workshop
- A lunch focused on legislative priorities of that region
- An hour session of "cafe" tables focused on resources and topics
- Two, two-hour breakout sessions at the end of the day

HOWEVER, IF A DIFFERENT FORMAT WOULD BETTER SERVE YOUR NEEDS, WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO LET US KNOW AND WE WILL WORK WITH YOU INDIVIDUALLY TO BRING NEEDED INFORMATION TO YOUR AREA.

We will fund \$12.00 per registrant to cover lunch and other institute related expenses. We can cover a maximum of 150 participants per MCO region.

Options for registration:

• Sites would manage registration and then send registration information to Renee Cordero a week to two weeks prior to the event.

• Renee would handle registration for the institutes for each region. Renee will notify the sites of number of registrants on a bi-weekly basis, providing a final count one to two weeks prior to the event.

Registration process identified by the SOC Coordinators and Family Partners will be considered if the information is received by Renee a week to two weeks prior to the event.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Joanne Scaturro (919) 601-7835 Joanne2653@aol.com or Stacy Justiss (276) 274-7068 sjustiss@eastpointe.net

We look forward to partnering with you!

Joanne and Stacy

PLEASE EMAIL YOUR WORKSHEET TO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

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