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Family Development Newsletter 2011

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Dear Family Development Outreach Worker or Specialist,

As mentioned during the recent Family Development Regional Meetings and Certification Trainings this is the first edition of the Family Development Newsletter. This publication will feature information needed about certification, upcoming trainings, best practices, and other relevant information. If you would like to submit an item to include in a future edition, please email me at ltravis@incap.org.

Sincerely,
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CEU Requirements and Upcoming Trainings

In order to ensure that Family Development Outreach Workers, Specialists, and Trainers in the state of Indiana stay current with developing knowledge in the field, Continuing Education Units (CEUs) must be obtained each year during a two-year certification term. Two hours of training typically equates to one CEU.

After the **Family Development Outreach Worker** completes their certification, Outreach Workers must obtain 3 CEUs of credit each year of certification. At the end of the two-year certification term, Outreach Workers will have needed to earn a minimum of 6 CEUs.

After the **Family Development Specialist** completes their certification, Specialists must obtain 4 CEUs of credit each year of certification. At the end of

the two-year certification term, Specialists will have needed to earn a minimum of 8 CEUs.

After the **Family Development Specialist Trainer** completes their certification, Specialists must obtain 4 CEUs of credit each year of certification. At the end of the two-year certification term, Trainers will have needed to earn a minimum of 8 CEUs. Trainers must also conduct at least two training sessions per certification year, for a total of 4 trainings at the end of the two-year certification period.

For more information, please see the Indiana Family Development Certification Guide 2011-2012 available at: <http://www.incap.org/familydevelopment.html>.

Upcoming Trainings

Trainings offered through IN-CAA, IHCD, or a partner that are CEU approved will be designated with the logo below and next to the logo it will list how many CEUs the training is worth.

FAMILY DEVELOPMENT CEU LOGO



IN-CAA will offer a number of trainings throughout the year on various topics relevant to Family Development Outreach Workers, Specialists, and Trainers to help them meet their CEU requirements. For these trainings IN-CAA will track these CEUs and you will not have to submit documentation for CEU approval.

Upcoming trainings with CEUs in 2011 include:

- Helping Clients to Stay on the Job and Become Successful (worth 5 CEUs) - September 26-27, 2011
- Working with Client with Extreme Barriers (Worth 2 CEUs) - October - Date TBA
- How to Develop and Fund a Family Development Program (worth 5 CEUs) - November - Date TBA

To register or for more information on these trainings, please visit: http://reg.abcsignup.com/view/view_month.aspx?as=22&aid=ICAA&wp=51.

Grandfathering Those Who Were Previously Certified

IN-CAA will be hosting a webinar on Changes to Indiana Family Development Certification System. This webinar is for those who were previously certified as

Family Development Specialists through the University of Iowa. This training will discuss the new Indiana certification system, how to be grandfathered in to the new certification system, and cover the Indiana curriculum and how it is different from previous curriculum.

To be grandfathered into the new certification system, you must:

- Attend one of the two webinar sessions; and
- Provide a copy of your previous certificate to Lisa Travis at ltravis@incap.org.

Once you have completed both of these tasks you will be issued a new certificate as a Family Development Specialist. You will then be required to meet the CEU and other requirements of the Indiana Certification system. For more information, please see the Indiana Family Development Certification Guide 2011-2012 available at: <http://www.incap.org/familydevelopment.html>.

You have from September 8, 2011 through December 31, 2011 to complete the above requirements to be grandfathered into the new certification system. If you do not complete this within in this timeframe listed above, you will have to take attend the new Family Development Certification classes to be re-certified.

These webinars will be offered on:

- October 3, 2011 from 3:00-4:00 pm (EST)
- October 14, 2011 from 10:00-11:00 am (EST)

To register for the webinars, please visit:

- **October 3rd** - <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/610150634>
- **October 14th** - <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/324996754>

Family Development Certification Web Page

IN-CAA has developed a web page dedicated to the Indiana Family Development Certification System. On this web page it discusses what is family development, what is a family development specialist, describes the Indiana curriculum, includes the Family Development Certification Guide, and lists who is certified in Indiana as a Family Development Outreach Worker, Specialist, and/or Trainer. Additionally, the Family Development Newsletter editions, specifically for those who are certified, will be posted here. The web page is available at: <http://www.incap.org/familydevelopment.html>.

Family Development Certification Tracks and Trainers

Types of Certification

There are currently three certification tracks: Family Development Outreach Worker; Family Development Specialist; and Indiana Family Development

Specialist Trainer.

The **Family Development Outreach Worker** certification track is designed for individuals who spend limited time with clients and who don't do intensive case work with families. This could include administrative staff, intake workers, and Energy Assistance Program staff. This certification provides them skills to effectively interview clients, identify barriers and possible strategies to help them, and who and/or what resources to refer them to for needs beyond emergency services.

The **Family Development Specialist** certification track is designed for individuals who do intensive case management with clients using the family assessment tools and who work with clients to set goals, develop a plan to achieve those goals, and empower clients to reach self-sufficiency.

For both certification tracks, individuals who want to be certified must attend the Family Development Matrix training.

Additionally, there is a certification track to be a certified **Indiana Family Development Specialist Trainer**. These individuals must complete the certification requirements for the two certification tracks above as well as attend a train-the-trainer course and complete an internship. These trainers will also be called on to conduct FDCP trainings throughout the state as necessary.

For more information, please see the Indiana Family Development Certification Guide 2011-2012 available at: <http://www.incap.org/familydevelopment.html>.

Family Development Trainers

IN-CAA has our Family Development Trainings in August 2011. If you are unable to attend Family Development Certification Program (FDCP) trainings at IN-CAA or need FDCP trainings provided at your agency or in specific regions of the state, please contact Lisa Travis at IN-CAA at ltravis@incap.org or 317-638-4232 and we can link you to certified Indiana Family Development Specialist Trainers in your region. They are also listed on the Family Development web page at: <http://www.incap.org/familydevelopment.html>.

About Us

The Indiana Community Action Association (IN-CAA) is a statewide not-for-profit membership corporation, incorporated in the State of Indiana in 1970. IN-CAA's members are Indiana's 23 Community Action Agencies (CAAs), which serve all of Indiana's 92 counties. IN-CAA envisions a

state with limited or no poverty, where its residents have decent, safe, and sanitary living conditions, and where resources are available to help low income individuals attain self-sufficiency.

IN-CAA serves as an advocate and facilitator of policy, planning and programs to create solutions and share responsibility as leaders in the War Against Poverty. Therefore, it is IN-CAA's mission to help the state's CAAs address the conditions of poverty through: training and technical assistance; developing models for service delivery; and providing resources to help increase Network capacity.

Since 1997, IN-CAA has provided non-weatherization training opportunities for the staff and board members of Indiana CAAs and other non-profit agencies through the Indiana Training Institute. These training opportunities have included topics such as human resources, financial management, case management, resource development, and more. IN-CAA also provides additional training and meeting opportunities to the Network through: quarterly meetings with CAA Executive Directors and partnership meetings.

IN-CAA has partnered with the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCDA) to create the Indiana Family Development Certification Program. This training program functions to certify staff of CAAs and other non-profit agencies that provide intensive case management programs that work with clients to help them achieve their personal goals and economic self-sufficiency. This program also provides continuing education training required to maintain well-equipped counselors who are adept in assisting clients in reaching their goals and in meeting their needs.

To learn more about IN-CAA or the Family Development Certification Program, please visit: www.incap.org.

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