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Foster Care and Preventive Scorecard Methodology Addendums

The Division of Policy, Planning and Measurement (PPM) has released an Addendum for both Foster Care and Preventive Scorecard Methodologies reflecting all corrections and updates made since the release of the Final FY15 Scorecard Methodologies. Please click on the links below to read the Addendums.

- [Foster Care Scorecard Methodology Addendum](#)
- [Preventive Scorecard Methodology Addendum](#)

Developmental Disabilities Champions Workgroup Quarterly Meeting

On April 16, the ACS Developmental Disabilities Unit will host our quarterly Developmental Disabilities Champions Workgroup. The theme of this workgroup will be building healthy relationships.

We are extremely fortunate to have Bobra Fyne, CSW from **YAI/National Institute for People with Disabilities** conduct a very interactive workgroup entitled **"How to Educate People with Developmental Disabilities About Social-Sexual Relationships"**

When: April 16, 2015, 10:00am-1:00pm
Where: 150 William Street, 8th Floor- Room 8A1, New York, NY 10038
Registration: Contact Nicole Hechme at Nicole.Hechme@acs.nyc.gov or (212) 676-9072.

Crossover Youth Practice Model Training

Crossover Youth Practice Model (CYPM) training continues to be offered this month. We encourage you to ensure that your staff are able to participate in this essential training. The CYPM training will provide a better understanding of how to improve the well-being and outcomes of youth that are involved in both the child welfare and juvenile justice systems.

Your agency coordinator should sign up Case Planners, Supervisors, Directors and Agency Trainers in STARS for these half-day trainings. If you have questions, please reach out to:
Foster Care: Patricia Bassy (212) 513-0343
Preventive: Babette Spain, (212) 341-0985 or Kellian Gould, (212) 227-3497
Juvenile Justice: Sara Hemmeter, (212) 442-6326

Foster Care

Bridges to Health (B2H) Serious Emotionally Disturbed (SED) Waitlist Closed

At this time the B2H program has reached capacity solely for the Serious Emotionally Disturbed (SED) referrals. The waitlist is full and no more applications for SED waiver will be accepted by ACS at this time. However, there are vacancies in the Developmentally Disabled Waiver (DD) and Medically Fragile (MedF) category of B2H with no waitlist in those categories at all.

Closure of the SED waiver wait list is usually temporary, and as soon as there are vacancies, we will let you know. If you have any questions, please email the main B2H mailbox at b2hacs@acs.nyc.gov.

Preventive Services

To Preventive Agencies: We have some exciting news to share with you!

LifeNet Mobile Crisis Referral Central is rolling out a new streamlined referral process for providers which will be available Monday through Friday 9:00AM- 4:30PM.

Providers wanting to make a MCT referral Monday through Friday 9:00AM-4:30PM are able to complete the new Provider Fastrack MCT referral form and fax it to LifeNet, which avoids any waiting on the time the phone!

Please go to WWW.MHAOFNYC.org/crisishotlines to learn more. There you will find the LifeNet Referral Guide- MCT which includes detailed instructions and the Provider Fastrack MCT referral form. Please email Lynn Kaplan, Psy.D. (lkaplan@mhaofnyc.org) or Gail Bower, LMSW (gbower@mhaofnyc.org) with any questions or comments.

As always, LifeNet is 24/7. Please continue to call 1800LifeNet to make a MCT referral outside of the hours of 9:00AM-4:30PM Monday through Friday.

Juvenile Justice

There are no Juvenile Justice announcements in this edition.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS ACS Parent Support & Recruitment

Foster Parent Recruitment Forum

Thursday, March 26, 2015
 Abbott House
 5:30pm -7:00pm
 1775 Grand Concourse – 7th Floor
 Bronx, NY 10458

Directions: D Train to 174-175th Street Station Stop
 Bus: Bx1 or Bx2 to 174th Street (diagonal to Bronx Lebanon Hospital)
 Pay Parking on Walton Ave .
[Download the flyer](#)

For more information contact ACS/ Parent Support and Recruitment Unit, Ronnel Walker- Jackson at 212-341-3276, or Felicia Leary at 212-341-3342.

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Head Start Program Information Report 2013-2014

The Program Information Report (PIR) is an annual federal report that collects program level data describing children and families enrolled in Head Start and the services provided, including information on staff, characteristics of enrolled children and families, health services (medical, dental, mental health), services to children with disabilities, and family services.

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