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The Department of Children and Family Services' Training and Staff Development Division is pleased to offer a four month program of continuing education opportunities to State Office staff. We are taking advantage of the "No Meeting Fridays" and holding educational seminars on the last Friday of each month from 9:00 am to 11:00 am.

These monthly, two hour training sessions will be led by DCFS Training staff through the end of this Fiscal year (June 30, 2011), therefore providing a combined total of 10 hours of continued education training. Certificates will be provided to those in attendance.

TARGETED PARTICIPANTS: These training are open to DCFS State Office Child Welfare staff.

LOCATION AND TIME: 627 N. 4th Street, Baton Rouge, LA, Iberville Bldg. 9th Floor from 9:00am to 11:00 am.

REGISTRATION: Interested persons should e-mail Donica Conaway at donica.conaway@la.gov. In order to be considered for registration, staff must place in the subject box of their e-mail, the subject –Registration and the session they wish to attend with SEN at the end: **Example: Registration February 25 SEN.** Failure to do so will result in a failed registration request. Phone request will not be honored. **Each session is limited to 35 participants.**

SCHEDULE OF TRAINING DATES AND SUMMARIES:

Substance Exposed Newborns (SEN)

Friday, February 25, 2011

Presented by: Jennifer Moore, MSW


This presentation will provide an overview of the effects of prenatal alcohol and/or drug exposure newborns. It will also address current legislation, allegations and agency policies and procedures with regards to safety, risk, intervention, and prevention practices.

Alternative Response Family Assessment (ARFA)

Friday, March 25, 2011

Presented by: Joseph Hasney, LMSW

The presentation will include the history and rationale behind the ARFA program in Louisiana. We will examine the forms used. Then we will progress through the entire process including: setting up your appointment with the family, the initial visit with a review of the safety assessment, the intermediate visits including family engagement exercises, the termination visit, and case closure. Participants will see an ARFA case from its inception through case termination and closure.

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Substance Use, Mental Illness and Co-Occurring Disorders (SUMICD)

Friday, April 29, 2011

Presented by Joe Palmer, LCSW

This training is designed to provide participants with a contextual knowledge of the range of co-occurring needs that may be experienced by parents involved in the child welfare system; strategies for engaging and intervening with parents affected by substance use disorders, mental disorders and co-occurring disorders.

Effects of Domestic Violence on Children (EDVOC)

Friday, May 27, 2011

Presented by: E. Lorraine Gibson, LMSW

This training will examine samples of research on the co-occurrence of child maltreatment and domestic violence. It will focus on the effects of domestic violence on children and some of the collaborative programs that have been implemented through Federal, State and local initiatives to respond to these co-occurring problems.

Life Books (LB)

Friday, June 24, 2011

Presented by: Dalene Smith, LCSW

This training is an overview of the importance of gifting foster/adoptive youth with assistance in building their life story. The session will look at the purpose of life-booking; various techniques for presenting facts to children and youth, using life books as a therapeutic tool and critical features of a life book.

Should you any questions regarding this training memo, please contact Lorraine Gibson at 225-219-6914.

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