

National Training Center for Family Planning

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Greetings!

We are pleased to bring you the ninth edition of the National Training Center (NTC) for Family Planning E-Newsletter. The goal of this quarterly newsletter is to keep you informed of the latest news and recent and upcoming events related to training for family planning providers.

The purpose of the NTC for Family Planning is to assist the Office of Population Affairs, Office of Family Planning (OPA/OFP) and their Title X Regional and National Training Centers in planning, developing, and coordinating training activities in order to enhance and support training of personnel to carry out Family Planning service programs. Cikatelli Associates Inc (CAI) coordinates the NTC for OPA/OFP.

We hope you will find this quarterly newsletter useful, and welcome your comments and suggestions about how to improve both our newsletter and related website, www.fpntc.org. Please send us ideas for items – or completed articles – you would like to see featured in the e-newsletter. Contact pabshier@cicatelli.org.

Sincerely,

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Tools and Resources

- Links to various resources have been added to the CAI website.

Upcoming National Events

- **February 1-3, 2011** – *OPA Training Centers' Meeting*, Tampa
- **March 14-16, 2011** – *OPA HIV Prevention Grantee Meeting*, New Orleans
- **August 2-4, 2011** – *Title X Grantee Meeting*, Miami Beach

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Featured Items

Regional Highlights:

Region I Family Planning Training Center

The Region I RTC is pleased to announce its new video and discussion guide - *Delivering HIV Rapid Test Results: Experiences from the Field*. The video demonstrates counseling approaches for effectively and compassionately delivering HIV test results; offers personal experiences and perspectives from a group of diverse clients who have received both positive and negative test results, and from providers who have given results; and emphasizes the importance of providing culturally appropriate services and referrals. The accompanying guide provides discussion questions and resources to enable peer learning.

Region II Family Planning Training Center

The Region II Family Planning Training Center celebrates the 40th Anniversary of the Title X Program!

As the Title X Family Planning Program celebrates its 40th Anniversary, the Region II Family Planning Training Center, administered by Cicatelli Associates Inc., marked this celebration at its Regional Conference in Princeton, New Jersey on October 18-20, 2010. Program administrators, clinicians, and education staff from New York, New Jersey, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands came together to share successes, promising practices, and new challenges for Family Planning Providers.

The conference commenced with presentations by nationally recognized keynote speakers on a number of topics: Marilyn Keefe, the new DASPA of the Office of Population Affairs, shared updates and changes that are taking place in the Office of Family planning; Dr. Cathy Melvin, Associate Professor of Maternal Child and Health Research at UNC, shared considerations for integrating Preconception Counseling into family planning services; Dr. Carolyn Westhoff, Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Columbia University Medical Center, presented on the latest evidence-based clinical protocols on contraception; Katherine Suellentrop, Assistant Director of Research at the National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy, discussed the newest research findings on unintended pregnancies for 18-29 year olds; Amanda Stukenberg, Executive Director of Planned Parenthood of South Texas, shared her strategies and accomplishments for successfully integrating males into Family Planning Services, while Dr. David Bell, Medical Director of The Young Men's Clinic/Columbia Medical Center, discussed clinical consideration for providing reproductive health services to males; and Rob Mckenna, Director of Training and Performance Improvement at the Family Planning Council, Philadelphia, PA, shared resources from the national Male Training Center for Family Planning and Reproductive Health.

The conference concluded with presentations by the following experts in the field: Dr. Elizabeth Schroeder, Executive Director of ANSWER in Piscataway, NJ, presented on the future of Sex Education by introducing Evidence-based approaches; Clemens Steinböck of the National Quality Center in New York City shared best practices for Quality Improvement; and Rachel

Benson Gold of Guttmacher Institute held a vibrant discussion on health care reform and its implications for the Title X family planning program.

Region X Family Planning Training Center



SAVE THE DATE!

Join us as we celebrate 40 years of Title X funding that has played a critical role in ensuring access to a broad range of family planning and related preventive health services for millions of low-income or uninsured individuals and others.

RH 2011 is also celebrating its 40th annual continuing education conference and will offer high quality clinical updates that are evidence-based and focus on best practices. Outstanding local and nationally known faculty will present clinical updates on contraception, STD treatment, and the clinical management of other gynecological and general health issues such as cervical cancer screening, obesity, dermatology, along with pharmacology updates and other clinical topics.

In addition, RH 2011 will offer sessions on education, counseling, clinic management and other administrative topics. Pre-conferences on several topics will be offered on Tuesday, March 22, 2011.

Who Should Attend?

This conference and the pre-conferences are intended for nurse practitioners, physicians, physician assistants, nurse mid-wives and other nurses, community health educators, counselors, clinic managers and other administrators who work in reproductive health or related settings.

Conference registration will begin January 2011.

If you want to be added to our mailing list for RH2011 please send an email to seattle@jba-cht.com or call (206) 447-9538.

National Highlights:

Male Training Center

The Male Training Center for Family Planning and Reproductive Health (MTC) is offering a three-day Capacity Building Institute for Title X Managers and Administrators. The Institute will be held April 12th through 14th (2011) in Chicago, IL and will be attended by approximately 30 individuals who have been selected through a nomination process involving each Region's service grantees, Regional Program Consultant, and the Office of Family Planning. This event is the second annual MTC Institute designed to assist attendees with developing a management plan to improve the delivery of family planning and reproductive health services in their Title X settings.

Also, the MTC announces the dates for its second annual national Conference. The conference will be held June 14th through 16th (2011) in San Francisco, CA. Last year the conference was attended by nearly 300 staff including clinicians, counselors, health educators, researchers, managers, and administrators from a variety of Title X grantees, delegate agencies and clinics. The conference is designed to disseminate new information pertinent to providing family planning and reproductive health services for males and offer related skill-building and networking opportunities.

For more information about the MTC Institute or National Conference, please visit www.fpcmtc.org, or contact by e-mail at MTC@familyplanning.org.

National Training Center

The Reproductive Life Planning Expert Panels were held September 22 – 23, 2011 in Washington, DC. Experts from across the country joined together to discuss the use of reproductive life plans in family planning settings. The morning of day one focused on presentations by the National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancies, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hills, and the Utah Department of Health. The afternoon focused on small group discussion on "Creating Effective Reproductive Life Planning Services" and was followed by large group discussion regarding the key questions needed for a client history/intake form. Day two focused on the factors to consider when doing reproductive life planning, best practices and the development of key research questions for the future. Proceedings from the meeting are being synthesized and will be released as soon as they become available.

Clinical Training Center

The following are a list of event dates for upcoming Preceptor Trainings:

April 7-9, 2011
Los Angeles, CA

June 9-11, 2011
Baltimore, MD

July 14-16, 2011
Oklahoma City, OK

Tools and Resources

Cicatelli Associate Inc has updated the resources page to include links to organizations and information that may be useful. The resources page can be found at <http://www.cicatelli.org/NTC/ToolsResources.htm>

Upcoming National Events

February 1 -3, 2011 *OPA Training Centers Meeting* in Tampa

The 2011 meeting of the OPA-funded national and regional training centers is set and the meeting agenda is currently under development by the TCs.

March 14-16, 2011 *HIV Prevention Grantee Conference* in New Orleans

The twelfth OPA/OFP HIV Prevention Project Annual Technical Support Conference is currently under development. The conference is open to staff of the OPA-funded HIV Prevention Projects, the OPA training centers, and OPA regional office staff. The conference registration packet will be emailed to all HIV Prevention Grantees, RPCs and RTCs in December 2010.

August 2-4, 2011 *National Title X Grantee Conference* in Miami Beach

The next meeting of Title X funded programs is being coordinated by the National Training Center under the direction of OPA/OFP. A "Save-the-Date" flyer was distributed in September 2010 and the conference registration packet will be available in March 2011.