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Communities of Practice in Autism (CoPA) Training

The ITC in collaboration with DMHMRSAS, Part C and the VA Department of Education's Special Education Instructional Services will be sponsoring a Communities of Practice in Autism (CoPA) training on September 24th, 2007 at the Omni Charlottesville Hotel. This advanced level training focuses on strategies to support families with young children, birth to four years of age, with Autism Spectrum Disorders in natural environments. Following the conference, Communities of Practice in Autism (CoPA) regional leaders will be trained to lead Communities of Practice in their regions. These CoPAs will meet to further explore the strategies learned at the conference and to help build our system of supports and services for the youngest children with ASD and their families in the Commonwealth. The conference is limited to three hundred participants. You can register online at www.vcu.edu/partnership/CoPA Please join us!

Kaleidoscope, New Perspectives in Service Coordination

The first KI for this contract year will be held in Danville on October 3rd, October 4th, and November 8th at the Institute for Advanced Learning and Research. Space is limited to thirty (30) participants. For more details, visit the Integrated Training Collaborative webpage on the Part C website and click on the Kaleidoscope, Level I icon or contact Cori Hill at (540) 943-6776 or corihill@ntelos.net

Local System Managers' Training

A Local System Managers' Training is scheduled for October 16th and October 17th at the Verona Government Center. Training topics include:

- LSM Duties including How to Write a Budget
- Expanding Available Community Providers and Utilizing Community Resources
- Contracting
- Compliance
- Funding Update

All system managers received a letter providing details about the training. RSVPs are due to Cori Hill @ (540) 943-6776 or corihill@ntelos.net by 9/14/07.

Integrated Training Collaborative Meeting

The next Integrated Training Collaborative meeting will be held October 1st from 1:00-3:00. If you are interested in attending the meeting or would like further information regarding the ITC, please contact Cori Hill at (540) 943-6776 or corihill@ntelos.net