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Dear Colleague,

The Summer 2009 System of Care Community Training, *Assembling the Pieces: Strategies for Implementing and Sustaining Systems of Care* will occur July 29–31, 2009 in Anaheim, California. The national training is a critical aspect of the overall program and provides a forum for many exciting learning opportunities.

Cooperative agreement recipients are required to budget for the attendance of a core team of 10 individuals. The core team for this training is to include the project director, principal investigator, evaluator, lead family contact, two youth/young adults, youth coordinator, communications manager, State Children's Mental Health Director, and either the clinical director, technical assistance coordinator, or the cultural and linguistic competence coordinator and/or other stakeholders. While the minimum attendance is 10 team members per community, you will be able to register up to 15 individuals. It is also highly recommended that your community bring a Child State Infrastructure Grant representative, a representative from another child-serving system in the community (e.g., juvenile justice, education, substance abuse, primary health, or child welfare), and a budget/finance person.

If you are from a state with multiple currently-funded system of care communities, please coordinate with other communities to maximize participation and to divide up the cost for the State Children's Mental Health Director.

There is no registration fee for the training. Participants attending the Summer 2009 System of Care Community Training will be responsible for paying for their own meals. The hotel has a restaurant, and the TA Partnership will supply attendees with a list of local eateries in the vicinity of the hotel.

While there is not a registration fee for the training, it is still important that you register by the deadline of **Friday, June 5, 2009** to help with the planning process. You can register for the training by accessing the TA Partnership online registration page. This page can be found at <http://www.meetinglink.org/TAP/July09/>. **In order to log into the registration system, you will be asked to provide a password, which is Am7vpk09. Please do not register more than 15 people. Please also be reminded that this is a required training and that travel arrangements should be made to allow you to attend the entire training.**

If you have any questions regarding the training, please contact Sharon Hunt, Deputy Director of Operations for the TA Partnership, at shunt@air.org or (202) 403-6914.

We look forward to seeing you and your team in Anaheim.

Sincerely,



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