

2005 All-Network Meeting

“Transforming Trauma Care for America’s Children and Families”

March 3-5, 2005 Alexandria, Virginia

Call for Presentations

This year’s NCTSN All-Network Meeting will emphasize our collective successes and ongoing challenges as we attempt to transform care for children, adolescents, and families who have experienced trauma. The challenges associated with adopting new practices are becoming better understood, and this year’s All-Network Meeting will highlight how the Network has worked together to address these challenges and offer new trauma treatments or services for children, adolescents, and families. Workshop proposals are encouraged that address one or more of the adoption and implementation challenges outlined below:

Selection

- Approaches to assessing community needs
- Selecting among effective trauma-focused practices that are appropriate for your target population and your organization
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- Assessing organizational readiness and flexibility, including staff capacity to effectively adopt and maintain a new practice
- Issues of treatment selection across the developmental spectrum and/or within a developmental period

Usefulness, Fidelity, and Flexibility

- Adapting practices to meet the needs of different target populations, cultural groups, or service settings (e.g. home-based, residential)
- Multi-site efforts to evaluate outcomes and effectiveness

Diversity

- Cultural diversity and the challenge of adopting a new practice
- Identifying practice adaptations and new approaches that are appropriate for different cultural groups
- Identifying gaps in trauma-focused services for high-risk populations (e.g. racial/ethnic minorities, children with disabilities, adolescents)

Training and Implementation

- Increasing proficiency in a trauma-focused practice across the Network
- Developing supervisory practices that support new learning
- Evaluating staff competencies related to delivery of a new treatment or service
- Evaluating the impact of training on trauma-informed practice or child outcomes
- Organizing ongoing consultation and support from experts in the practice that is being adopted
- Promoting learning opportunities and collaborative efforts with community partners
- Promoting effective training techniques that address knowledge, skills, and attitudes
- Raising consumer and public awareness

Systems Issues

- Promoting trauma-focused practice across child-serving systems (e.g. schools, juvenile justice, healthcare)
- Aligning policies, financing, structural arrangements, and administrative procedures to promote the adoption of a new trauma-focused practice

Sustaining New Practices in Times of Change

- Maintaining momentum and support for a new practice over time
- Planning for long-term sustainability of trauma-focused practices

Proposals that address these issues across the developmental spectrum and/or within a particular developmental period are encouraged.

Submission Guidelines

Submission Deadline

Workshop proposals are due to the National Center by **Monday, December 6, 2004**. Late proposals cannot be accepted because the ANM Proposal Review Committee is scheduled to meet shortly after the submission deadline.

Submission and Review Procedures

Proposals must be submitted using the “NCTSN All-Network Meeting Call for Presentations” form and can be submitted electronically to ntimmons@mednet.ucla.edu or faxed to (310) 235-2612. The CVs of presenters must be submitted along with the proposal form, so that we can begin to organize the documentation needed for CEU/CME purposes. Any questions about submitting workshop proposals should be directed to Nancy Timmons by email at ntimmons@mednet.ucla.edu or by phone at (310) 235-2633, extension 229.

We are anticipating having somewhere between 25 to 30 workshop slots at the 2005 All-Network Meeting, and we believe that selection of workshops will be competitive. Each workshop is limited to 90 minutes and should include no more than 4 presenters. A chair must be identified for each workshop proposal, who will serve as the primary point of contact for communications regarding the workshop.

All workshop submissions will be reviewed at the same time, by an ANM Proposal Review Committee made up of representatives from the National Center, SAMHSA, and IDE and CTS centers. A draft agenda, based on the Review Committee’s selections, will be presented to the NCCTS Executive Committee and NCTSN Steering Committee for final approval. Applicants whose proposals are accepted will be notified by email on or before January 21, 2005.

Review Criteria

The ANM Proposal Review Committee will evaluate proposals based on the following criteria:

- Meets basic proposal requirements (e.g. no more than 4 presenters)
- Includes presenters from multiple Network centers
- Reflects Network collaboration and synthesis
- Is consistent with the meeting theme and topical suggestions outlined above
- Is interactive, including opportunities for discussion

The Review Committee will evaluate proposals with an eye towards creating a balanced and comprehensive meeting agenda. The meeting theme and topical suggestions are **not** intended to narrowly limit workshop proposals, but rather are provided as general guidance in order to help develop a cohesive program. Submissions on other topics are welcome and will be considered if they address the mission of the NCTSN and reflect Network collaboration.

Given the 90-minute length of workshop sessions, proposals to conduct training on specific intervention protocols are **not** encouraged. The National Center, in collaboration with SAMHSA and other Network members, is working to develop and promote a range of venues to effectively meet Network needs for training on protocols throughout the year.