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Technical Assistance Site Report

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Implementation of Protective Capacity Family Assessment: Addressing Safety in Case Plans

Technical Assistance

The Wisconsin TA request for fiscal year 2006-2007 involves the resource center providing continued support to the state related to the development of the Protective Capacity Family Assessment (*see October 2006 site report for further information pertaining to the Protective Capacity Family Assessment*).

The anticipated activities and intermediate outcomes for technical assistance include: 1) Strategic planning regarding the implementation of the protective capacity Family Assessment and Case Planning approach, 2) Development and coordination of a pilot of the Protective Capacity Family Assessment, 3) Preparation and consultation for effective support of pilot experience, 4) Assist with the quality control of the pilot initiative, 5) Provide consultation related to the integration of the ongoing CPS case planning practice approach and the states Quality Service Review and 6) Develop competency and expertise among staff from state BPP and QSR regarding the fundamental concepts and the intervention process of the ongoing CPS change intervention system (i.e. PC Family Assessment and Case Plan, Case Progress Evaluation and Case Closure). (Refer to 2006-2007 TA logic model and work plan Cross Reference Strategic Plan for Implementation of the Protective Capacity Assessment)

Site Visit

The technical assistance site visit occurred on November 2, 2006. This is the second site visit for this fiscal year. This site visit involved the initial planning and preparation meeting for the Protective Capacity Family Assessment (PCFA) pilot sites. Participating in the site visit were Todd Holder, NRCCPS, state office BPP staff, county directors and CPS supervisors from Green Lake County, Jefferson County, Marquette County and Milwaukee Bureau of Child Welfare.

The PCFA planning meeting included a discussion regarding the development of the PCFA approach for addressing safety in case planning; an overview of the objectives, decisions and structure of the PCFA; and review of the pilot objectives, design, activities and timeframes.

(See the attached agenda for the Protective Capacity Family Assessment Pilot Initiative: County Pilot Sites Management Forum)

Next Steps

The next site visit is scheduled for December 2006. This site will involve a meeting with county pilot site supervisors to provide preparatory consultation for implementation of the PCFA. It is anticipated that consultation with supervisors will focus on the application safety intervention concepts and criteria, and the use of caregiver protective capacities for case planning.

