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## Call for Articles

This newsletter is one mechanism utilized to report out on key accomplishments and communicate upcoming tasks and due dates. If anyone has information to include for future editions, please e-mail Sandy Shedlock at [sshedlock@pcgus.com](mailto:sshedlock@pcgus.com) or one of our county newsletter representatives:

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## Evaluation Update from the CWRC

Data collection for the EBP sub-study and Family Engagement Study continues as ongoing. If you have any questions about the EBP data collection process, please reach out to our EBP Evaluation Coordinator, Jenna Meister ([jem275@pitt.edu](mailto:jem275@pitt.edu)). Additionally, for all questions regarding the FES data collection process, please reach out to our Evaluation Specialist, Alexis Pigott ([alp159@pitt.edu](mailto:alp159@pitt.edu)).

The Evidence Based Practice Attitude Scale (survey) was deployed to county caseworkers and supervisors on March 17th. The survey will help to inform the evaluation with regards to the use, availability and attitudes towards EBPs within demonstration counties. Targeted e-mail reminders to complete the survey will be sent out periodically to those who have not yet participated. The survey will close on April 28th and all responses will remain confidential.

In March, the Evaluation Team developed a Flash Report around attitudes towards EBPs, using prior survey data to inform the report. Two webinars, or Flash Talks, were held to review the report. A big thank you goes out to those who participated. Thank you! In April, we are developing a Flash Report related to county family engagement models and fidelity to those models. Similar to previous Flash Reports, we will plan to hold two webinars in an effort to review the report and generate some cross-county discussion around the topic area. Keep an eye out for more details and information!

If you have questions regarding the evaluation activities or the Flash Talk Series, please contact Evaluation Coordinator, Justin Donofrio ([jdd63@pitt.edu](mailto:jdd63@pitt.edu)).

## Team Connection Committee: Thank you!

Thank you to all who were involved in the CWDP Team Connection Committee call. Additional updates to follow.

## Important Dates

### • April 28 and May 4, 2017

Flash Talk Series: Family Engagement Models webinars will take place from 11AM to noon on each of these days. Calendar invitations and WebEx log-in information will be sent out a week prior to the scheduled Flash Talk by the University of Pittsburgh.

### • June 29-30, 2017

The 2017 Annual Child Welfare Waiver Demonstration Project Meeting is scheduled for June 29-30, 2017 at the Renaissance Arlington Capital View Hotel.