# Pennsylvania Child Welfare Demonstration Project Newsletter

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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 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. Additionally, the Evaluation Team remains in contact with counties regarding completion of SPANS and Family Engagement Observations for the current fiscal year. We appreciate all efforts to make these evaluation activities possible!

Last month the Evaluation Team distributed the annual Facilitator Survey to counties. This survey is distributed to all county and provider staff that participate in the facilitation of Family Engagement meetings. The survey aims to help the Evaluation Team learn about the Family Engagement models used throughout the life of the CWDP. This round of the Facilitator Survey remains open until September 20<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to everyone who has completed the survey so far!

The Evaluation Team recently distributed updated Flash Reports with updated CANS, FAST and EBPAS data. Flash Talks were held on these topics in 2016 and early 2017. The updated reports include updated CANS, FAST and EBPAS data through 2017. The goal of providing these updated reports is to provide counties with data from the beginning of the CWDP through 2017.

If you have any questions regarding the evaluation requests or activities listed above, please contact Jenna Meister (jem275@pitt.edu).

## **CWDP Team Connection**

The latest CWDP Team Connection call was held on September 12<sup>th</sup>. Discussions centered around FAST/CANS and connections to appropriate levels of service along with appropriate workforce trainings. County representatives shared practices and continued challenges.

Additional information will be forthcoming.

### **Important Dates**

- Facilitator Survey
  - This round of the survey remains open **until September 20**th; please remind those participating in your counties of this approaching date.
- Program Monitoring
   The program monitoring summaries for the July-September quarter are due October 12<sup>th</sup>.