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# COUNTY CONNECTION



## OCYF CORNER

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### CWIS Training and Testing Efforts Underway!

The CWIS project team is holding monthly conference calls that focus specifically on testing and training. Individuals identified by each county as their CWIS Implementation Team are invited to participate in these calls, which provide updates on training approaches, testing scenarios, expectations for counties and materials as they are available. These calls also provide a forum for counties to provide feedback on testing and training approaches and materials.

County implementation teams should begin developing plans and schedules for CWIS and county case management system training and testing. Counties should begin developing case management system training curriculums for areas not covered by CWIS training. There will be changes to county case management systems because of the Child Protective Services Law (CPSL). Counties should be contacting their county case management system owners in order to understand how these changes will look and be processed within their systems. Monthly training and testing calls are held for County Implementation Teams as well as Regional Implementation Teams. To be added to the invite for these calls, please email the CWIS Resource Account at [RA-PWCWIS@pa.gov](mailto:RA-PWCWIS@pa.gov).

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FINAL, FAILURE  
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THAT COUNTS.”  
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## Late Training Registration

Submitted by: Andrea Randolph

With the anticipation of the new CPSL legislation coming, we recognize that some counties are restructuring, hiring new staff, etc. which has led to some late participant training registrations after the 3 week out registration deadline. The Child Welfare Resource Center does not want to turn people away from training if there is room for them to attend, but since our internal process is to have the training materials mailed out to the trainer 2-3 weeks prior to the training, the late influx of extra participants registering for trainings, up to a few days prior to the date of training, has caused issues with the need for extra handouts. In some cases the Resource Center does not have enough time prior to the date of the training to prepare extra handouts and get them to the trainer/location. To avoid any possible issues of participants coming to training and not having enough handouts to provide to everyone, participants who register within one week of the scheduled training may be asked to print their own handouts from the CWRC website ([www.pacwrc.pitt.edu](http://www.pacwrc.pitt.edu)). These can be found under the menu item *online curricula/training* then click on either *Charting the Course* or *Online curricula* to access the list of trainings and print the handouts, etc. Participants should bring them to training with them if they register within 1 week or less of the training date. The county training liaison and/or participant will be notified if this is necessary. If a participant arrives at training and there are not enough copies of handouts for everyone, the CWRC website can be accessed from the computer in the training room and handouts can be printed from there or they may share with another participant during training and print their own copy when they get back to their office. Please contact your Regional Resource Specialist with any questions or concerns. Thank you!

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