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**TITLE:** Pennsylvania Risk Assessment: A Closer Look at the Factors and

Summary: Booster Shot

**COMP.** #: 1300

**NO. HRS:** 3

**DATE:** March 2017

#### COMPETENCIES:

**204-3** The child welfare professional knows how to use the risk assessment instrument.

# **LEARNING OBJECTIVES:** Participants will be able to:

- To create an understanding or rationale for risk assessment
- > To assist participants in making judgments about their families and the risk to their children that are less subjective
- To understand, analyze, and discuss how to relate the 15 risk factors to the allegations and information received during an investigation or during ongoing services
- > To understand how the interaction of factors impacts the level of risk and relates to the child's safety
- To understand the concepts of overall severity and overall risk
- To understand how to analyze the dynamics of a family and document their ratings on the matrix
- Demonstrate the ability to write an effective summary risk assessment

### **CALENDAR SUMMARY:**

This workshop is designed to clarify each risk factor on the Pennsylvania Risk Assessment tool. Participants will develop skills to match case characteristics with correct risk factor(s) and determine individual risk factor levels. Workers will develop the skills needed to write comprehensive summary risk assessments. Participants must have attended CORE 106 Risk Assessment: Pennsylvania Model or Charting the Course Towards Permanency for Children in Pennsylvania: Module 5: Risk Assessment prior to attending this workshop. This workshop is eligible for 3 Continuing Education credit hours.

#### **TARGET AUDIENCE:**

Child welfare caseworkers and supervisors who have had formal training in the two-day Pennsylvania Risk Assessment Model.

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# **EXPECTATIONS OF THE TRAINER:**

The trainer should be knowledgeable with the Pennsylvania Risk Assessment tool and have a clear understanding of how it is used in the investigation process, as well as how it is used throughout the life of a case. Must be a CORE 106 – Pennsylvania Risk Assessment Trainer.

## **MATERIALS NEEDED:**

- ✓ Blank Flip Chart Pads
- ✓ Flip Chart Stands (2)
- ✓ Colored Markers
- ✓ Speakers
- ✓ Laptop
- ✓ LCD Screen & Projector
- ✓ Name Tents \*\*(blank paper)
- √ Idea Catchers
- √ Sign-In Sheet(s)
- ✓ Training Evaluations
- ✓ Trainer Feedback Form
- ✓ PowerPoint CD
- ✓ Field Guide to Child Welfare by Judith Rycus and Ronald Huges (Located in training rooms)

#### **INSTRUCTOR GUIDE**

1: 1300: Pennsylvania Risk Assessment: A Closer Look at the Factors and the Summary: Booster Shot (37 Pages) \*\*(Trainer received)

# **HANDOUTS**

- 1: Competencies and Learning Objectives (1 page)
- 2: Training Agenda (1 page)
- 3: The Reference Manual for the Pennsylvania Model of Risk Assessment (50 pages)
- 4: Pennsylvania Model Risk Assessment Form (1 page)
- 5: Risk Assessment Clarifications (4 pages)
- 6: Establishing and Documenting Overall Severity and Overall Risk (1 page)
- 7: Linda Wilson and Tara Case (2 pages)
- 8: Risk/Severity Continuum (2 pages)
- 9: Risk Assessment Summary Checklist (1 page)
- 10: Risk/Severity Assessment Form (Instructions) (2 pages)
- 11: Risk/Severity Summary Outline (Blank Form) (2 pages)
- 12: Safety Assessment/Safety Plans (2 pages)
- 13: My Personal Learning Log (1 page)

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# **LIST OF TRAINER RESOURCES:**

1. Linda Wilson and Tara Scenario (2 pages)

## **LIST OF POWERPOINTS:**

1: 1300: PA Risk Assessment: A Closer Look at the Factors and Summary: Booster Shot PowerPoint Presentation (8 slides)

# **LIST OF POSTERS:**

1: Enlarged copy of Pennsylvania Model Risk Assessment Matrix (1 page)

# **CREDIT ASSIGNED:**

Continuing Education credits: 3 hours