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- TITLE: A Family Center Spotlight on Father Engagement
- **COMP. #:** 302
- **NO. HRS:** 2

DATE: June 2013

QUALITY SERVICES REVIEW INDICATORS:

- > 1a: Engagement Efforts
- > 1b: Role and Voice
- > 3: Cultural Awareness & Responsiveness
- 4: Assessment & Understanding
- > 6: Child/Youth & Family Planning Process
- > 10: Maintaining Family Relationships

COMPETENCIES:

- 302-2 The Child Welfare Professional is able to assess family dynamics, including interactions and relationships of family members, family roles, power, communication patterns, dysfunctional behaviors, and other family process issues.
- 307-3 The Child Welfare Professional knows how to establish positive working relationships with families from cultural backgrounds different from their own and can work with families within their own cultural context.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES: Participants will be able to:

- > Cite data surrounding national and state level father engagement efforts.
- Identify the various aspects of the Kennett Square Family Center's Fatherhood Initiative Program.
- Offer the successes and lessons learned over the development of Kennett Square Family Center's Fatherhood Initiative Program.
- > Offer tips and techniques for engaging fathers.

CALENDAR SUMMARY:

Research highlights the critical role that fathers play in the development and growth of their children. As a system, we have historically failed to embrace this fact. The good news is, as a system, we have acknowledged this shortcoming and are making great efforts to engage and support fathers in the work that we do.

This 2-hour webinar highlights one family center that is a model for the effort. The Kennett Square Family Center is doing exemplary work with fathers in their community, specifically with the Latino population. Presenters will share how they built the fatherhood engagement element of their organization from a concept to a reality. Participants will learn about each

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component of the program that makes it the growing success it is today. This workshop is eligible for 2 continuing education credit hours.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Child welfare professionals, court representatives, school representatives, juvenile justice professionals, *etc.*, who work with fathers in a professional capacity.

EXPECTATIONS OF THE TRAINER:

Presenters must have knowledge and understanding of all aspects of the Kennett Square Family Center. They must specifically have an intimate understanding of Kennett Square Family Center's Fatherhood Initiative Program.

RELEVANT LAWS, REGULATIONS, BULLETINS, etc.

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MATERIALS NEEDED:

- ✓ Curriculum
- ✓ Handouts
- ✓ Laptop
- ✓ LCD Screen
- ✓ LCD Projector
- ✓ Power Point Presentation
- ✓ Training Evaluations

LIST OF HANDOUTS:

Note: Handouts must be made available for download, on the Child Welfare Resource Center website, prior to the date of the webinar.

- 1: 302: A Family Center Spotlight on Father Engagement (11 pages)
- 2: Fatherhood Engagement Workgroup Report to the Pennsylvania State Roundtable (33 pages)
- 3: Communication Styles (1 page)
- 4: Protocol for Locating Fathers (1 page)
- 5: Protocol for Father Engagement (4 pages)
- 6: National Responsible Fatherhood Clearinghouse Guidelines for Working with Fathers (1 page)
- 7: Training Evaluations (2 pages)
- 8: References (1 page)

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LIST OF POWERPOINTS:

1: 302: A Family Center Spotlight on Father Engagement (32 slides)

CREDIT ASSIGNED:

Continuing Education credits: 2 hours