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Subject: Changes at the Center on Women, Violence and Trauma



New Name - New Focus

We are pleased to take this opportunity to tell you that there have been a number of planned changes and advancements at the Center on Women, Violence and Trauma (CWVT) that we would like to share with you.

Our most significant news is that CWVT has evolved a new mission and has been renamed to communicate the new mission in the most direct and simple manner possible - we are now the National Center for Trauma-Informed Care (NCTIC). While the center was initially focused on work surrounding the Women and Co-occurring Disorders and Violence Study, and the related Dare to Vision and Dare to Act conferences, the new name was chosen to speak to the new goals and mission of the center. NCTIC provides free and low-cost trauma training and technical assistance to policymakers and administrators, caregivers, institutional workforces, consumers and survivors in the mental health, substance abuse, criminal justice, victim assistance, education, primary care, and other publicly-funded systems. NCTIC also offers an expert speakers bureau, resources, and education and outreach activities around the issue of trauma for these same target audiences.

Program managers for NCTIC include Susan Salasin as CMHS Project Officer; Ruta Mazelis and Jacki McKinney for consumer program development; Joan Gillece, Jenny Howes, and Kevin Huckshorn with the National Technical Assistance Center at the National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors for training and technical assistance; and Helga West and Randy West with Witness Justice for education and outreach.

You can look forward to regular updates about all kinds of developments related to trauma-informed care through this Listserv, and in December we will initiate a monthly e-newsletter.

Thank you for your patience as we work through this transition. We appreciate your continued interest and support and look forward to keeping you informed.

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For more information about NCTIC's training and technical assistance for any of our target audiences, please contact Jenny Howes at 703-739-9333 or jenny.howes@nasmhpd.org. She can arrange training, technical assistance, or other expert consultation.

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