

CTAAP 2012 Teleconference Series

The Connecticut Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics and The Department of Children and Families

Working with DCF Series - Part I *Improving Communication and Collaboration*

Continuing Medical Education Program

Tuesday, May 1st 12:10 – 1:00PM

This teleconference series will provide an overview of key processes and critical steps to working effectively with DCF. The program will address the confusion that has sometimes prevented a fully collaborative relationship between DCF and medical practitioners. The presenters will announce new systems designed to enhance communication including regional meetings and an agency focus on strengthening families and partnering with providers in the community.

This program will clarify the roles and responsibilities of MDs, foster parents, parents and DCF social workers in ensuring that DCF children receive proper medical care. Speakers will review how a child's legal status can affect how they receive medical care. The speakers will also review the DCF investigation process as well as the role of the provider during the process. The program will provide guidance on how to identify the legal guardian, tips on record-keeping systems as well as advice on responding to medical record requests.

Participants will be able to:

- Understand the roles and responsibilities of MDs, Foster Parents, and Social Workers in providing medical care for children in DCF's care;
- Understand how the legal status of a child affects their medical care;
- Understand DCF reporting and investigation process and practitioners' obligations as medical providers;
- Understand DCF policies and guidelines for the care of children in DCF care;
- Understand how the Differentiated Response System can provide support to families.

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IMPORTANT CHANGES IN POLICY FOR CME/CEU REQUESTS

As part of this expanded 15 program series, we will now be charging a small fee for CMEs or letters verifying participation for CEUs. ***As always, anyone may listen in for free.*** See registration form or go to ct-aap.org for more details. Questions? tracey.ctaap@gmail.com or 860-977-3430

- **Special Discount for all 15 CMEs and CEU Letters of Participation - \$150 for members, \$175 for non-member MDs/DOs, \$115 for APRNs, PAs, RNs and others**
- **Per Program CME/CEU Charge - \$20 for MD members, \$25 for non-member MDs/DOs, \$20 for APRNs, PAs, RNs and others**

CME Credits for Physicians

- CME Credit has been applied for at Norwalk Hospital. This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essentials and Standards of the Connecticut State Medical Society through the joint sponsorship of Norwalk Hospital and the CTAAP. Norwalk Hospital is accredited by the CSMS to provide continuing medical education for physicians. Norwalk Hospital designates this educational activity for a maximum of 1 AMA PRA CATEGORY 1 Credit™. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Continuing Education Requirements for Nurses

- The American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP) will accept documentation of participation in the teleconference as meeting continuing education requirements toward recertification.
- The American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) will accept documentation of participation in this teleconference as meeting continuing education requirements for certified nurses. The credit hours will transfer equally. CTAAP will provide verification of participation in letter form to the nurse. Nurses must submit the proper paperwork to the ANCC for approval.