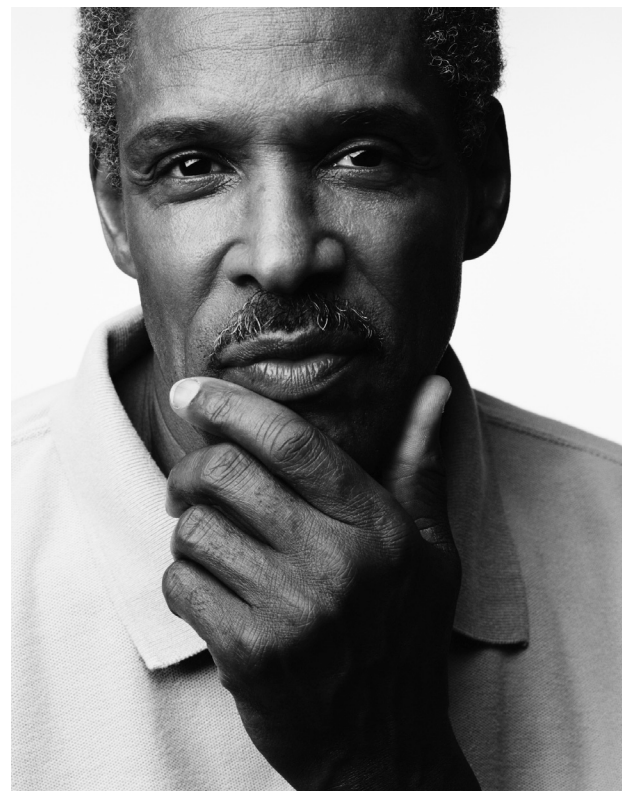


Managing Mental Health Services in Head Start and Early Head Start

October 27-28, 2010

Doubletree Hotel New Orleans
New Orleans, Louisiana



Managing Mental Health Services in Head Start and Early Head Start is a unique opportunity for managers to become familiar with both the management (or the “nuts and bolts”) side of mental health services as well as the service delivery side. Managers will become introduced to and reacquainted with the intricacies of requirements, regulations, recent policy guidance, the development of collaborative agreements; and establishment of contracts.

Managing Mental Health Services in Head Start and Early Head Start will also explore the issues surrounding programmatic supervision (as opposed to personnel supervision) and examine strategies for developing and monitoring collaborative services agreements and service contracts. Participants will examine procedures for contracting with mental health services and discuss the information that should be included in a mental health services contract. A sample observation form will be presented, and we will also discuss issues related to classroom observation. Participants will also receive additional materials and information about available resources.

To a very large extent, the actual mental health of young children comes down to the question of emotional support in classrooms. **Managing Mental Health Services in Head Start and Early Head Start** also provides a vision of the physical and emotional characteristics of a highly individualized classroom that supports the emotional well-being of children with diverse temperaments, learning styles, abilities, interests, moods, and developmental level. The training also provides specific strategies for supporting teachers in creating these highly supportive environments.

The Standard Registration Fee is \$285 per person. Members of **T/TAS@Your Service** may qualify for the Subscriber Rate of \$270 per person. (Some restrictions may apply based on the level of your subscription; please visit www.ttas.org/ays.html for information on how to become a subscriber.) Persons attending both this session and **Managing Disabilities Services in Head Start and Early Head Start** (page 32) qualify for the reduced rate of \$225 for Standard or \$215 for Subscribers. For details on registering, including information on earning .825 Continuing Education Units (CEUs) for this event, please see page 3.

Learning Outcomes

- ★ Participants will review and become more familiar with current Head Start and Early Head Start regulations, policies, and policy clarifications as they apply to mental health services.
- ★ Participants will discuss the issues involved in supervising and managing the mental health service area in Head Start and Early Head Start.
- ★ Participants will explore what information should be included in a contract for Head Start and Early Head Start mental health services and discuss appropriate strategies for the monitoring contracts.
- ★ Participants will receive information and materials about national and state resources to use as references and as potential collaboration partners.

For more information, call 800-882-7482 or visit www.ttas.org

- ★ Participants will identify specific elements of emotionally supportive classrooms.
- ★ Participants will identify specific strategies for helping classroom staff provide more individualized, emotionally supportive environments.

Your Presenter



Janet Buckley, Special Projects Specialist, has over 25 years of leadership experience in a variety of Head Start and other non-profit programs. Her work experiences include serving as the Training Coordinator for the Resource Access Project at Vanderbilt University, providing disabilities training in a three-state area. She also founded and manages the National Home Visitor Resource Center. Janet has a BA in Communications, a Master's in Education, and a Certificate in Non-Profit Management.

Michael Gramling, Human Development Specialist, has worked in a variety of capacities for Head Start since 1979 including classroom teacher, bus driver, cook, disability coordinator, center supervisor, and trainer. He holds a Master's in Human Development and is a primary author of the Head Start Family Literacy Project training as well as The Supervisor/Mentor Coach Handbook.



Tentative Agenda

Wednesday, October 27, 2010

12:30 - 1:00 p.m.	Registration
1:00 - 2:30 p.m.	Introductions and Overview What's New in Mental Health Services Looking at Regulations, Requirements, and Policy Guidance
2:45 - 4:00 p.m.	The Emotionally Supportive Classroom

Thursday, October 28, 2010

8:30 - 10:00 a.m.	The Emotionally Supportive Classroom (Cont'd)
10:15 - 11:30 a.m.	Planning and Monitoring Mental Health Services
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Lunch Break
1:00 - 2:30 p.m.	Developing Contracts for Mental Health Services
2:45 - 4:00 p.m.	Identifying Resources for Children, Families and Staff Development Wrap Up and Evaluation

(TTAS reserves the right to substitute presenters as circumstances warrant.)

Hotel Accommodations

The Doubletree Hotel New Orleans is located at 300 Canal Street in downtown New Orleans, Louisiana. Hotel accommodations are available at the special conference rate of \$109 per night for single or double occupancy (plus applicable taxes). To qualify for the special conference rate, please state that you will be attending **Head Start Mental Health Services** when making your reservations. Please make your hotel reservations **no later than September 26, 2010** by calling 504-581-1300 or 800-222-TREE.

The room block will be held until the stated deadline or until the block is sold out, whichever comes first. Reservations are accepted on a space and rate availability basis by the hotel, and room blocks often fill quickly. Please consult the hotel for information on their specific cancellation policies, to learn about additional charges that may apply to hotel guests (i.e., parking fees, local phone charges, internet access fee, etc.), and to learn about available amenities, such as room service, in-house dining, and additional area attractions.

The Doubletree New Orleans on Canal Street offers full service at a premier downtown New Orleans location overlooking the Mississippi River and the city's major business and entertainment districts. Located directly across the street from Harrah's Casino the hotel is within walking distance to Bourbon Street, the historic French Quarter, Aquarium of the Americas, Morial Convention Center, Entergy IMAX® Theatre, and the hundreds of shops, upscale retail establishments, restaurants and clubs of Jackson Brewery and the Riverwalk. New Orleans International Airport is only 20 minutes away from the hotel.

