### National Youth in Transition Database Technical Assistance Meeting August 3 – 5, Omni Shoreham Hotel – Washington, DC



#### **PRE-MEETING AGENDA**

To maximize learning and networking opportunities, the Children's Bureau is hosting a series of **premeeting sessions** as part of the 2011 NYTD Technical Assistance (TA) Meeting week. All of these sessions will take place on Wednesday morning, August 3 and will be hosted at Omni Shoreham Hotel (2500 Calvert Street NW, Washington, DC; 202-234-0700).

Wednesday, August 3			
7:30 - 8:30 am	Registration and Continental Breakfast	Blue Room Prefunction	
8:30 am - 12:00 pm	Pre-Meeting Sessions for State Team Participants  State team members will attend one of the following four concurrent pre-	e-meeting sessions:	
	Pre-Meeting Session for Youth and Young Adults  Hosted and facilitated by the National Resource Center for Youth Development (NRCYD) and the Children's Bureau. Session agenda will be distributed to registered participants by NRCYD.	Cabinet/Forum Room	
	Pre-Meeting Session for State Independent Living     Coordinators  Hosted and facilitated by NRCYD. Session agenda will be distributed to registered participants by NRCYD.	Capitol Room	
	3. Pre-Meeting Session for State Data Managers and Staff  Hosted and facilitated by the National Resource Center for Child Welfare Data and Technology (NRCCWDT). Session agenda will be distributed to registered participants by NRCCWDT.	Governor's Boardroom	
	4. Pre-Meeting Session for State SACWIS/Information Technology Staff	Embassy Room	
	Hosted and facilitated by ICF. No formal agenda will be provided. This is simply an opportunity for State information technology staff to discuss lessons learned, best practices, questions, concerns, and problems experienced in transmitting the first NYTD data file and using the NYTD Portal or NYTD Data Review Utility (NDRU). Ms. Alba Sierra from the ACF Office of Information Services (OIS) will be available to answer State questions regarding file transmission using Cyberfusion (CFI).		
12:00 - 1:30 pm	Break (Lunch - on your own)		



#### **MEETING AGENDA**

7:30 am - 2:00 pm	Registration	Blue Room
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1:30 - 1:45 pm	Welcome and Opening Remarks	Blue Room
	Federal staff and staff from the National Resource Center for Youth Development (NRCYD) welcome State teams to the 2011 NYTD Technical Assistance Meeting.	
	Ashley Jackson and Shaden Jedlicka, NRCYD Miguel Vieyra, NYTD lead, Children's Bureau	
1:45 - 2:15 pm	Opening Activity	Blue Room
	Staff from the National Resource Center for Youth Development lead an opening activity with State teams.	
	Dottie Ansell, Ashley Jackson and Shaden Jedlicka, NRCYD	
2:15 - 3:00 pm	Exploring the First Round of NYTD Data	Blue Room
	This session will provide a brief overview of State performance in collecting and reporting NYTD data and will present preliminary analyses of data from the first NYTD reporting period.	
	Tammy White, Children's Bureau	
3:00 - 3:30 pm	Commissioner's Remarks	Blue Room
	Bryan Samuels, Commissioner, Administration on Children, Youth and Families	
3:30 - 3:45 pm	Break and Refreshments	Blue Room Prefunction
3:45- 4:45 pm	Youth Reflections on the First Round of NYTD Data	Blue Room
	A panel of young people, selected from the group that attended the premeeting session for youth and young adults, offer their perspective and thoughts on the first round of national data.	
	Youth participant panel Moderator: Bryan Samuels, Commissioner, Administration on Children, Youth and Families	
4:45 - 5:15 pm	Facilitated Group Discussion on the First Round of NYTD Data	Blue Room
	Commissioner Samuels moderates a discussion with both State staff and young people on observations and reflections on NYTD data from the first reporting period.	
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5:15 pm	End of today's events	I

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Thursday, August	4	
7:30 – 8:30 am	Continental Breakfast	Blue Room Prefunction
8:30 - 10:00 am	Challenges, Surprises and Successes from the First NYTD Reporting Period	Blue Room
	The State teams from Colorado, Illinois, South Carolina and South Dakota participate in a panel discussion about their experiences implementing NYTD data collection during the first reporting period.	
	Colorado: Shirley Dodd and Tiesha Davis Illinois: Kim Peck and Michael Simelton South Carolina: Monique Mitchell and James Williams South Dakota: Tonia Bogue and Armando Hernandez	
10:00 - 10:30 am	Break	
10:30 am - 12:00 pm	Breakout Session I	
	State team members will choose to attend one of following four concurrent bre	akout sessions:
	1. Strategies for Improving Your State's NYTD Youth Outcome Survey Instrument and Methodology	Embassy Room
	What does it take to successfully survey youth at the right time, in the right way, with the right tool? South Carolina offers an in-depth look at the State's methodology for administering the NYTD survey. Following the State's presentation, a panel discussion will be facilitated by NRCCWDT research experts. Topics include: developing a good survey instrument and delivery method, garnering the participation of youth, and following up with youth who do not respond to an invitation to participate.	
	Monique Mitchell, South Carolina; George Gabel, Ruth Huebner and Crystal MacAllum, NRCCWDT	
	2. NYTD as a Youth Empowerment Strategy	Capitol Room
	How can NYTD data collection empower youth? This session will focus on strategies Washington, South Carolina and other States are using to engage, connect and empower youth within the NYTD survey populations. States and youth will reflect and share how NYTD youth engagement is moving their youth leadership work forward to better serve all youth in their respective States.	
	Washington: Rick Butt and Valerie Skelton South Carolina: Kathleen McLean-Titus and James Williams Moderators: Clay Finck and Lupe Ortiz-Tovar, NRYCD	
	3. Data Quality Help Desk	Calvert Room
	This is a drop-in session for State staff that would like one-on-one support in understanding and addressing data errors and data quality issues from the 2011A NYTD report.	
	Tammy White, Children's Bureau	
	4. Technical Support Help Desk	Governor's
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	ICF staff	



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Thursday, August 4 (continued)			
12:00 - 1:30 pm	Break (Lunch - on your own)		
1:30 - 3:00 pm	Breakout Session II		
	State team members will choose to attend one of following two concurrent breakout sessions:		
	1. Locating and Engaging Youth in the NYTD Survey After Age 17	<b>Embassy Room</b>	
	What can States do to connect and stay connected to youth after the age 17 survey? This session will highlight strategies that have been found effective in locating and engaging youth formerly in foster care to participate in survey research carried out as part of the <i>Multi-Site Evaluation of Foster Youth Programs</i> . Presenters affiliated with NYTD implementation efforts in Florida will also offer insights on the State's current and planned efforts to successfully locate and engage youth and young adults as NYTD survey participants.		
	Michael Pergamit, Urban Institute; Diane Zambito, Connected by 25 (Florida) and LaMeisha Hunter (Florida)		
	2. NYTD Data Analysis Planning	Capitol Room	
	The session will provide participants the opportunity to begin planning for how they can analyze and use NYTD data to improve outcomes for youth. The discussion will include what questions the NYTD data might answer for each group of participants, how the data might be analyzed in conjunction with other data, and offer a framework for analysis and presentation of NYTD data.		
	Larry Brown, John McInturf and Janet Ciarico, NRCCWDT; Aziz Haidi, New Jersey Office of Information Technology and Reporting		
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	Tammy White, Children's Bureau Data Team		
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Thursday, August 4 (continued)			
3:30 - 5:00 pm	Making Use of NYTD Data: Leveraging Technology for Data Analysis and Service Delivery	Blue Room	
	Location, location. It's all about geography. NYTD gives us new information about foster youth transitioning into their communities. This plenary presentation focuses on how Geographic Information Systems (GIS) can be used to better understand and analyze NYTD data for program planning and evaluation. Examples of current uses of GIS in the child welfare and other fields will be presented.		
	George Gabel and Kathryn Kulbicki, NRCCWDT; Daniel Knapp, FosterClub		
5:00 pm	End of today's events		
Friday, August 5			
7:30 - 8:30 am	Continental Breakfast	Blue Room Prefunction	
8:30 - 10:00 am	Spreading the Word: Strategies for Proactively Communicating with Stakeholders about NYTD	Blue Room	
	How can States effectively communicate information about NYTD data on youth outcomes to the public? How can young people serve as partners in this process? This session explores how States can incorporate youth voices in efforts to engage the media, policymakers and other stakeholders in building greater awareness about the experiences and outcomes of youth in transition.		
	Karen Blumen, Allegheny County Department of Human Services (Pennsylvania); Celeste Bodner, FosterClub; Ashley Jackson, NRCYD		
10:00 - 10:15 am	Break		
10:15 - 11:45 am	State Team Time	Blue Room	
	State teams come together to share what they have learned and to discuss State plans for NYTD data analysis and dissemination. Members of the Federal NYTD team, including staff from the Children's Bureau, ICF, NRCYD and NRCCWDT will also be available for State team questions.		
11:45 am - 12:00 pm	Final Reflections and Next Steps	Blue Room	
	State participants provide final thoughts and reflections from the 2011 NYTD Technical Assistance Meeting and Federal staff make final announcements.		
	Federal NYTD Team		
12:00 pm	<b>End of today's events –</b> Please fill out and return the meeting evaluation leave.	form before you	

