

Niagara Infant Mental Health Pilot Project Advisory Committee

Thank you to you and/or your team members for attending the Infant Mental Health Training Sessions on March 24 and 31 and/or the follow up session on June 19.



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The planning body that presented the training is now looking to strike an **Infant Mental Health Pilot Project Advisory Committee** to assess the validity of the ASQ and the ASQ SE for Niagara. Our goal is to have representation from a wide range of service providers from across the Niagara Region. Dr. Chaya Kulkarni from Toronto SickKids Hospital, the facilitator of the three day workshop, has offered to sit on this committee and support Niagara in the data collection process.

As an organization who participated in the training we are seeking your support in either participating as a committee member and/or as a pilot site.

Responsibilities of a committee member

- Have authority to make decisions within your organization
- Attend meetings
- Support in developing the pilot program sites
- Support pilot sites completing the ASQ ASQSE
- Provide feedback on the tool
- Bring suggestions for best practices
- Review data collected

Responsibilities of a Pilot Site

- Have the capacity to commit for a ten month pilot
- Have participated in the Infant Mental Health training
- Have the capacity to implement the ASQ tool into your program with several different families

Regional Niagara, Children's Services has offered to support this process by purchasing the kits, so as not to place a financial burden on any agencies wishing to participate. The data collected in your work with these families will be evaluated to measure the effectiveness of the ASQ and ASQ SE..

If your agency is interested in participating on the new Infant Mental Health Pilot Project Advisory Committee and/or participate as a pilot site or would like further information, please contact **Sandy Toth** at stoth@afssn.org by July 9, 2014.

