



**Region 4 CWCI Meeting
August 15-17, 2011
Atlanta, Georgia
AGENDA**

Day 1

1:00 - 1:15 Welcome and Introductions

1:15 - 1:45 Purpose and History of Child Welfare Collaboration Initiative (CWCI) –

- Ruth Walker, Children's Bureau, Region IV Program Manager

Protective Factors and Strengthening Families

1:45 - 2:30 Overview of Protective Factors and Strengthening Families Framework –

- Judy Langford, Center for the Study of Social Policy (CSSP)

2:30 - 2:45 Break

2:45 - 4:00 Integrating and Linking Protective Factors into Our Work

- State Presentations:
 - Tennessee - Carla Snodgrass, Director, Prevent Child Abuse Tennessee
 - North Carolina – Kristin O'Connor, Program Administrator, NC Division of Social Services
- Other State Initiatives – Juanita Blount-Clark, Center for the Study of Social Policy

4:00 - 5:00 Community Café Model on Protective Factors

Day 2

Domestic Violence and Child Welfare

- Shellie Taggart, Child Welfare and Family Violence Consultant
- Isa Woldegiorgis, Consultant

- Fernando Mederos, Director of Fatherhood Programs, Massachusetts Department of Children and Families

9:00 - 9:15 Welcome and overview of the day

9:15 - 10:30 Domestic violence and children

- Overview of research
- Focus on policy

10:30 - 10:45 Break

10:45 - 12:00 Domestic violence in child welfare

- Focus on child welfare practice with families

12:00 - 1:00 Lunch

1:00 - 3:15 Working with men who use violence

- Policy, practice and programming

3:15 - 3:30 Break

3:30 - 4:30 Peer discussion

Day 3

Collaboration! Collaboration! Collaboration! Making the Learning Real

8:40 - 8:45 Review of the day

8:45 - 9:45 Child Welfare Agencies and Citizen Review Panel Collaborations

- Blake L. Jones, MSW, LCSW, Ph.D., University of Kentucky College of Social Work Training Resource Center

9:45 - 10:00 Charge to the Group

- Julie Collins, Director of Standards for Practice Excellence, FRIENDS partner CWLA

10:00 - 11:00 Group Exercise on Collaboration

11:00 - 12:00 Report back to the large group (5-7 minutes each state)

12:00 - 12:30 Wrap up by Region IV and NRC staff