



FFTA WORKS TO STRENGTHEN ITS MEMBERS

FFTA provides an array of resources to its members and the treatment foster care (TFC) community. We are proud to share with you our most recent accomplishments:

INFLUENCING AND PROMOTING PUBLIC POLICY AT THE NATIONAL AND STATE LEVELS

- FFTA and its members are represented in Washington, DC by FFTA Public Policy & Government Relations Consultant, Laura Boyd, Ph.D. Our advocacy work both there and at home is supported by an active Public Policy Committee and a State Liaison Network of over 90 agency representatives who are located in 45 states.
- FFTA hosted its second “Hill Day,” last May where TFC providers met with over 80 legislative staff members to gain support for legislation that will maintain TFC as a Medicaid reimbursable service. Please join us on **May 2-3, 2011** for the 9th Annual Public Policy Institute and Advocacy Day in Washington, DC
- FFTA collaborates with providers and other state and national child welfare advocacy organizations to ensure that legislators support policies that positively impact children and youth in treatment foster care.

HOSTING THE ONLY CONFERENCE ON TREATMENT FOSTER CARE

Each year the conference brings together over 750 foster care professionals from around the world and provides a forum to improve competencies, learn from experts in the field, and network with other professionals who have a wealth of experience to share. FFTA is preparing for the 25th Anniversary Conference, which will be held in Orlando, **Florida July 24-27, 2011.**

FACILITATING THE EXPANSION OF THE TFC MODEL WORLDWIDE

With foster care professionals attending the FFTA annual conference from as far away as Hong Kong, Australia, and New Zealand, we are helping to expand the application of the TFC model around the world.

BRIDGING THE GAP BETWEEN RESEARCH AND PRACTICE

To help our members maintain their proficiency in the field, FFTA continues to publish research annotations on topics such as reunification, placement stability, permanency, and attachment.

PROVIDING EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICE AND PROMISING PRACTICE RESOURCES

Providing its members with evidence-based practice resources, FFTA and the Center for Advanced Studies in Child Welfare have published issues briefs on foster parent training and support and on permanency planning.

KEEPING MEMBERS INFORMED

The *FOCUS* newsletter and *TFC e-News* keep members connected to the latest information and resources in the field.

SAVING MEMBERS MONEY ON PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

FFTA endorses products and services that help your agency save money and enhance its programs and services. These include COA Accreditation; on-line training for foster parents; web-based screening tools to reduce the risk of child sexual abuse; management information systems; and printing and communication solutions.

WHAT'S NEW?...MEASURING CONSUMER SATISFACTION IN TREATMENT FOSTER CARE

FFTA has released the *User's Guide to Measuring Consumer Satisfaction in Treatment Foster Care*. Examine how agencies measure consumer satisfaction and use data to improve services.

WHAT'S AHEAD?

FFTA is developing two new member resources: A Resource Guide of Practice Approaches in Treatment Foster Care and a publication that will examine system and practice reforms in the field.