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From: Steve Jordan

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Re: Communication Bulletin #119
Announcement of a Moratorium on NCI Trainer's and Instructor Trainer's and on the submission of new curriculums for the Training in Prevention and Alternatives to Restraint, Seclusion, and Isolation Timeout.

The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services (DMH/DD/SAS) is in the process of updating North Carolina Interventions (NCI), the current crisis intervention curriculum used in several State and community agencies. In an effort to make the transition from the current curriculum to the new curriculum flow smoothly, the Division has made the decision effective September 1, 2011, to place a moratorium on accepting new NCI Instructor's and Instructor Trainer's into the current NCI program. Person's who have already begun the process of becoming certified Instructor's and Instructor Trainer's prior to September 1, 2011 will be allowed to continue the process to completion.

Also effective September 1, 2011, the Division will place a moratorium on the submission of new curriculums for the Training in Prevention and Alternatives to Restraint, Seclusion, and Isolation Timeout. Curricula which have been submitted prior to September 1, 2011 will be allowed to continue the approval process until they are approved or denied.

If you have any questions regarding this decision, please send them via electronic mail to:
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