

Request for Information

TOGETHER FACING THE CHALLENGE

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STATEMENT OF NEED

Trillium Health Resources has developed this Request for Information (RFI) to gauge interest of provider agencies to obtain training in Together Facing the Challenge (TFTC), an evidence-based model for Therapeutic Foster Care (TFC). Through funding from The Duke Endowment, Trillium would coordinate the training at minimal cost to participating provider agencies. Provider agencies who elect to participate in this training will need to commit to a year-long involvement as there will be 12 months of consultation/coaching (at minimum on a monthly basis) from the trainers that goes beyond the initial three-day face-to-face training.

Together Facing the Challenge is presented in a 'train-the-trainer' model so that participants will be able to take the information they learn back to their agency and train others (specifically foster parents who are currently providing services to children). With ongoing consultation/coaching from the trainers, participants will be expected to teach the seven-session curriculum and provide the model of care to those served by their agency.

Additional information about Together Facing the Challenge may be found at: <http://www.sites.duke.edu/tftc>.

Why are we doing this and why is it important?

This "train-the-trainer" model applies practical parenting and supervisory techniques that are sustainable in a variety of TFC settings. The curriculum provides in-depth instruction, coaching, and consultation to enhance agency services. This training model brings together the strengths of evidence-based treatment with the realities of practice to offer an enhanced approach to meeting the needs of youth in care.

Trillium will not award contracts for Therapeutic Foster Care upon completion of this training. This training is available to currently contracted TFC providers in our Network only. The requested information is for planning purposes only.

OVERVIEW OF TRILLIUM HEALTH RESOURCES

Trillium Health Resources is a local, public agency that manages Medicaid and state-funded services for mental health, intellectual/developmental disabilities, and substance use disorders for a twenty-six county area in eastern North Carolina. These twenty-six counties are: Beaufort, Bertie, Brunswick, Camden, Carteret, Chowan, Columbus, Craven, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hertford, Hyde, Jones, Martin, Nash, New Hanover, Northampton, Onslow, Pamlico, Pasquotank, Pender, Perquimans, Pitt, Tyrrell, and Washington. Trillium's funding comes from the State of North Carolina and Medicaid.

Trillium is committed to ensuring that members or their family receives the right service in the right amount at the right time. Trillium wants members to get services from a provider that gives high quality care that is right for the member.

SCOPE OF INFORMATION REQUESTED

Please respond to the following:

1. How many staff from your agency would be able to attend three full, consecutive days of training?
2. Would your agency be able and willing to pay for lunches and snacks during the training?
3. Would your agency be able and willing to pay for the accompanying manuals/materials?
4. Would your agency commit to attend this “train the trainer” model and train others in your agency as well as foster parents?
5. Does your agency have staff with the minimum provider qualifications for this training: Supervisors should have a Master’s degree or a Bachelor’s degree with at least two years of experience in the field?
6. Is TFC your agency’s primary service?
7. Is your agency nationally accredited? If so, please specify the accrediting body.
8. Would your agency agree to develop an internal Implementation/Oversight Committee comprised of administrative/clinical leadership and direct line staff to monitor the implementation of Together Facing the Challenge in your identified TFC service areas?
9. Would your agency agree to participate in follow-up consultation services for a minimum of one year after the workshop ends? This would include on-site observation and in-person/ telephonic meetings for one hour at a time, mutually agreed upon by TFTC and Provider.
10. Would your agency agree to ensure that attribution is given to the Services Effectiveness Research Program at Duke University for all copies of training/toolkit materials disseminated?

RESPONSE DEADLINE

The date for response for this RFI is November 1, 2018 and any other time frames applicable to the RFI, such as conference calls, etc.

Information provided after the stated deadline will not be included.

SUBMISSION OF INFORMATION INSTRUCTIONS

The Request for Information is due by 5:00pm Eastern Time on **November 1, 2018**. Response information must be submitted electronically to Trillium Health Resources Training Unit at TrainingUnit@TrilliumNC.org with “Together Facing the Challenge” in the subject line. The RFI is available on the website under the title **Together Facing the Challenge**.

- 🌱 All proposals must be submitted electronically to TrainingUnit@TrilliumNC.org.

- 🌱 Information and pages submitted must be typed in black, single-spaced, using a font of Times New Roman in 12 point size, with all margins at least one inch each.
- 🌱 You must utilize any formatting instructions or forms previously outlined.
- 🌱 Uploaded page/attachments should be numbered consecutively from beginning to end so that information can be located easily during review of the information.

TRILLIUM CONTACT INFORMATION

For questions about this RFI contact:

Email Address: TrainingUnit@TrilliumNC.org