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Training Opportunity with Application

The CNMHC Office of Self Help/Technical Assistance and Support Center is coordinating a leadership training for those who identify as a mental health services consumer. We are seeking people who have displayed qualities of leadership in their local self-help/peer-support organizations and/or have been involved in the planning and policy-making for the County Community Services and Supports Plan through the Mental Health Services Act.

The focus of the training is to mobilize client leaders within local areas to return to their communities and effectively advocate for client-run programs and client-centered policy. Such programs/services are prescribed by the MHSA as being a vital component in mental health wellness/recovery approaches and, as such, are recommended to be in every County's CSS.

The training will be presented by **Dan Fisher, Executive Director** and **Judi Chamberlin, Director of Education and Training** from the **National Empowerment Center**. **Sally Zinman, Executive Director of the CA Network of Mental Health Clients** and **Michele D. Curran, Director CNMHC Office of Self-Help/TASC** will also assist with the training events.

The 2006-07 training will consist of six (6) events – three (3) group trainings held for two (2) days each and three (3) teleconferences. When considering your application, please have this time commitment thoroughly in mind. **All the trainings will be held at the Radisson Hotel Los Angeles Westside in Culver City and are focused on members from the CNMHC South and Far South regions.** The first two-day training will be held on Sept. 20 and 21, 2006. The second will be held prior to (and in conjunction with) the Client Forum 2007 in January, 2007. The third gathering will be in May, 2007. Dates will be announced soon. Trainees will be expected to attend each of the three trainings and participate in all three teleconferences. The trainings for 2007-08 will be focused on the upper half of the state and will be announced after July, 2007.

Thank you, Michele D. Curran

Thirty participants will be selected for this unique training from the applications received. Equity in geographic and ethnic diversity will be a consideration in making trainee selections. If you would like to attend and can meet all of the time commitments, **please provide the following information:** (please print or type –may be submitted electronically) **Please include a resume and a reference from another person in your local area.**

Name of Applicant: _____ Age: _____
County of Residence: _____ Ethnic Identification: _____
Address: _____
Contact information: _____

Applicant's involvement in client-based programs:

Applicant's knowledge of mental health consumer/survivor movement and its values:

Applicant's involvement in local mental health policy and program planning:

Applicant's assessment of present leadership skills and knowledge:

Please use an additional page to add any information you feel would be helpful for the selection committee. **Include remarks addressing how you intend to use this training for the benefit of the clients in your County.**

**Must be returned to CNMHC office by post, fax or electronically
by 5:00 pm. August 28, 2006**

