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**PDAC Technical Assistance (TA) Credential Committee Telenet
 Minutes
 Tuesday, September 12, 2017
 9:30 AM – 10:30 AM**

Attendees:

Beth Knight	Lisa Downey*	Stephanie Hellmer
Barb Volpe	Medina Bailey	Tami O’Daniel
Joan Longtin	Sharyl Robin*	

**Denotes Co-Chair*

Welcome – Sharyl Robin and Lisa Downey, co-chairs

Approval of June 21, 2017 Meeting Minutes

- Motion to approve minutes made by Lisa Downey.
- Motion seconded by Barb Volpe.
- Motion passed and minutes approved.

Overview of Technical Assistance Credentials Awarded (Attachment A)

- With the Committee’s guidance through course articulations and reviewing TA applicant files, INCCRRA staff was able to begin awarding TA Credentials internally as of June 21, 2017.
 - Inclusive of pilot applicants, 67 TA Credentials have been awarded.
 - Since the last TA Committee meeting on June 21, 2017, seven TA Credentials have been awarded.

Outreach to Higher Education (Attachment B)

- Since April 2017, INCCRRA staff has been contacting higher education institution faculty to become entitled for the Technical Assistance Credential.
- INCCRRA staff has contacted the following higher education institutions:

4-year
• National Louis University – <i>visit with faculty 7.28.17</i>
2-year
• Waubensee Community College – <i>trying to schedule visit</i>
• Moraine Valley Community College - <i>visit with faculty 9.6.17</i>

- INCCRRA staff is also reaching out to entitled route institutions that piloted the TA Credential to inform them of the options for application to move to competencies. Options are:
 1. Keep their current program layout as is with points and they are entitled through December 2019.
 2. Complete entitled route competency the application aligning their program to the TA Credential Competencies and they will be entitled for 5 years after being approved by the Entitled Review Group (ERG).

Next Steps and Announcements (Attachment C)

- As a follow up from our June meeting, Peggy North Jones, who retired in June, referred a few coworkers to represent Caregiver Connections to PDAC. Those recommendations have been sent paperwork to see what committees would be the best for them to serve on.
- PDAC Qualifications and Credentials (QC) Committee made a recommendation to remove Professional Contributions from renewal requirements.
 - This recommendation was approved by PDAC Steering on August 16, 2017 and will be submitted to PDAC on September 15, 2017.
 - If approved by PDAC, it will be submitted to IDHS for final approval.
 - This recommendation is in response to the increased education and training requirements placed on providers.
 - Continuing education and training is still required for Credential renewal.
 - The ECE and Infant Toddler Level 6 Credentials will continue to require professional contributions upon initial credential attainment.
- During the November Telenet, the TA Committee will begin exploring the renewal requirements for the TA Credential.
 - The first group of pilot TA Credential applicants awarded will need to renew by December 31, 2019.

FY 18 Quarterly Telenets:

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| • 2nd Quarter | Tuesday, November 14th, 2017 | 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM |
| • 3rd Quarter | Tuesday, February 13th, 2018 | 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM |
| • 4th Quarter | Tuesday, June 12th, 2018 | 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM |

Adjourn

Attachments Available Upon Request

