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## CTF Payment Reminder

To aid operations at the start of the 2008 fiscal year, all grantees received an advance (sent out in October 2007) that was equal to 25 percent of your total contract amount. Throughout the fiscal year, this advance is then "recouped" from your quarterly payments. Therefore, the quarterly payment you receive from CTF will not be the same as the amount you billed for. Your total contract payments throughout the year, however, will equal your total contract amount.

### Here is an example:

**Total contract amount:** FY2008 CTF grant of \$10,000

**Advance:** Equals 25 percent of total contract amount

Example:  $\$10,000 \times .25 = \$2,500$  advance

**Recoupment Percentage:** Recoupment percentage each quarter equals quarterly billing  $\div$  total contract amount

Example:  $\$2,500$  quarterly billing  $\div$   $\$10,000$  total contract = .25 recoupment rate

**Recoupment Amount:** Recoupment amount each quarter equals advance  $\times$  recoupment rate

Example:  $\$2,500$  advance  $\times$  .25 recoupment =  $\$625$  recoupment in quarter

If you bill CTF \$2,500 each quarter, your actual payment would be \$1,875 ( $\$2,500 - \$625$ ). Therefore, your annual payment schedule would be:

\$2,500	Advance
\$1,875	1st quarter
\$1,875	2nd quarter
\$1,875	3rd quarter
<u>\$1,875</u>	<u>4th quarter</u>
\$10,000	Total payments for FY2008

Note: You are not limited to billing for \$2,500 per quarter (or the equivalent  $\frac{1}{4}$  of your grant amount). If you expend more, you can bill CTF for the amount expended in that quarter. Please contact Janell Thelen, CTF Program Director, with any questions about your payment.

## CAP Month 2008

### Toolkits

CTF is pleased to announce that CAP Month toolkits were packaged and mailed on February 14. We hope that you find the contents helpful in preparing for your local CAP Month activities. A few toolkits remain at the CTF office. If you would like to receive one or two additional kits, please contact Alan Stokes at 517.241.7793 or [stokesa@michigan.gov](mailto:stokesa@michigan.gov). You can also download the toolkit, pamphlet, and poster by visiting our website at [www.michigan.gov/ctfcapmonth](http://www.michigan.gov/ctfcapmonth).

If you would like to purchase additional posters and/or pamphlets (in quantities over 1,000), contact Larry Dobias with Hot Prospects at 517.853.1000.

### Save the Dates!

We invite you to join CTF for two key CAP Month events in Lansing: the CAP Month Press Conference/Legislative Day on March 18 at the State Capitol, and the inaugural CAP Month 5K Run/Walk on April 13 at the State Capitol (please see registration on page 8 of *News Briefs*). If you would like to have a resource table at the run/walk or would like to get involved with the event, please contact Addie Marie Roof ([roofa@michigan.gov](mailto:roofa@michigan.gov)) or Stephanie Dorey ([doreys@michigan.gov](mailto:doreys@michigan.gov)). We encourage you to bring a group to participate in both activities!

### Pinwheels for Prevention

CTF expects the Prevent Child Abuse (PCA) pinwheels to be delivered to our office by mid-March. CTF will then repackage and ship 100 pinwheels directly to each local council. If the pinwheels are delivered to CTF on time, they will be distributed by late March.

### Local CAP Month Activities

Please continue to forward dates for local CAP Month activities planned by your council or agency. Dates will be added to our statewide calendar which can be accessed via the CTF website.

*Our goal is to challenge every resident in Michigan to participate in this year's statewide CAP Month initiative: The Power of One Action. We appreciate your continued support and dedication to Michigan's children and families as we prepare for CAP Month. If you need any additional information, please contact the CTF office.*

## Direct Services RFP

The Request for Proposal (RFP) for FY2009 direct service programs is currently being finalized. CTF expects the RFP to be posted the first week of April, with an anticipated deadline of mid-May. RFP trainings will be held in Lansing in mid-April. CTF will distribute the RFP announcement and relevant dates to its network via email and will also post information on the CTF website.



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## 2007 Satisfaction Survey Results

The 2007 satisfaction survey results are currently posted on the CTF website. Local councils reported strengths in the areas of serving as a community prevention voice, impacting local governing boards, and developing community prevention plans. Councils reported needs in the areas of mentoring, technical assistance, annual report compilation, and strategic planning. Direct service programs reported strengths in local council collaboration, family support and referrals, and parenting programs. Needs were reported in connecting to statewide awareness efforts, providing pre- and post-natal prevention programming, and providing respite care to families in need.

## Promoting Healthy Families, Preventing Abuse

The *Promoting Healthy Families in Your Community: 2008 Resource Packet* is now available! One copy was included with your CAP Month toolkit, and the packet and corresponding poster can also be downloaded or ordered at [www.childwelfare.gov/preventing/res\\_packet\\_2008](http://www.childwelfare.gov/preventing/res_packet_2008). Contact the Child Welfare Information Gateway at 1.800.394.3366 or [info@childwelfare.gov](mailto:info@childwelfare.gov) for more information.

The packet highlights strategies to strengthen families by promoting key protective factors that prevent child abuse and neglect. It also includes tip sheets in both English and Spanish to share with parents.

The Resource Packet is produced annually by the Department of Health and Human Services' Children's Bureau, Office on Child Abuse and Neglect, Child Welfare Information Gateway, and the FRIENDS National Resource Center on Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention.

Service providers can find additional materials in the Preventing Child Abuse & Neglect section of the Information Gateway website. This web section includes resources for Child Abuse Prevention Month, as well as information on evaluating and funding prevention programs, enhancing protective factors, and effective parenting. For more details, go to [www.childwelfare.gov/preventing](http://www.childwelfare.gov/preventing).

## Tier I Competitive Movement Announced

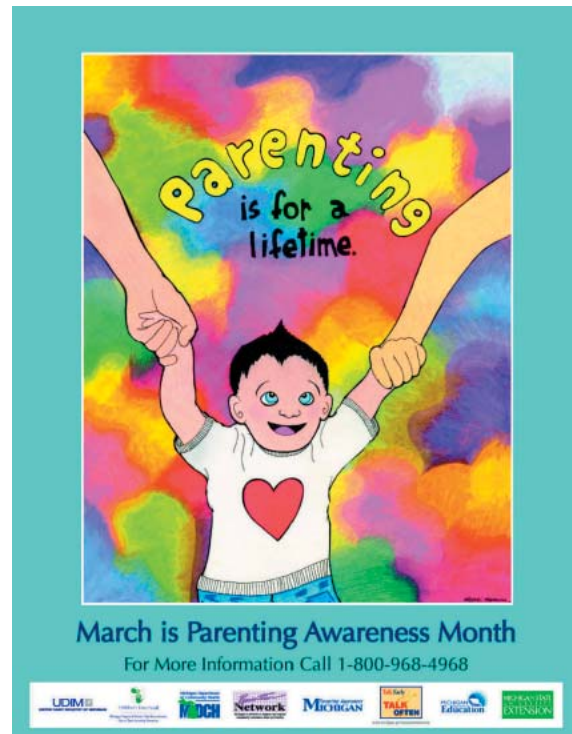
CTF is allocating \$50,000 for the movement of ten Tier I councils to Tier II status. The competitive application process, recently approved by the CTF Board of Directors, will be posted on the CTF website. Interested Tier I councils should note the following key dates:

<b>February 29</b>	Applications emailed to Tier I councils & posted on website
<b>March 18 &amp; 19</b>	Technical assistance sessions (teleconference)
<b>March 28</b>	Deadline for application submission
<b>April 18 (tentative)</b>	Program Committee reviews recommendations
<b>April 28</b>	Program Committee makes recommendation to Board
<b>May 1</b>	CTF announces new Tier II councils

Scoring criteria for eligible local councils are included in the application and will include evidence-based or evidence-informed prevention plans and financial viability.

## March is Parenting Awareness Month

In recognition of Parenting Awareness Month, CTF will distribute a special mailing to all local council and direct service grantees in late February. CTF encourages grantees to use the materials to help promote parenting awareness. If you have any questions about the materials or parenting programs, contact Sylvia Brown Jones at 517.241.7792.



## Shaken Baby Awareness

The CTF “Never Shake a Baby” brochure has been updated and is available to grantees at no cost. To order brochures, use the “Literature Request Form” under the “Resources” section of the CTF website or contact Alan Stokes at 517.241.7793.



## Free Online Courses

In response to the recent shooting at Northern Illinois University, the FRIENDS Online Learning Center partner Essential Learning has released two new courses, *Disaster Mental Health Intervention* and *Post Traumatic Stress Disorder*. FRIENDS is offering these courses to you free of charge through March 31, 2008.

*Disaster Mental Health Intervention: Project Web-Flash (Practical Frontline Assistance and Support for Healing)* was developed by Dr. Carol North and Dr. Barry Hong from Washington University in St. Louis and Dr. Betty Pfefferbaum of the University of Oklahoma in Oklahoma City. *Post Traumatic Stress Disorder* was developed by Dr. Daniel Singley and Dr. Lorraine Watson, both with experience working with students at University of California, San Diego.

To access these courses:

1. Go to the FRIENDS Online Learning Center at <http://www.cequick.com/friends>.
2. On the left side of the screen, go to the Select Accreditation drop down menu to pick the continuing education you need or select the Generic Completion category. Select All Subjects for courses, and then click the View Courses button.
3. Find the Disaster Mental Health Intervention and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder courses on the list and check the box next to the course title. Then click the Add Courses to Cart and Checkout button at the top of the page.
4. Complete the registration information on the next page to gain access to the online courses. Remember your username and password for future reference. When you complete the course and pass the test with a score of 80% or higher, you will be able to print your Continuing Education Certificate.

## In Memoriam - Sophie J. Womack, MD

Along with other child advocates in Michigan and beyond, CTF was saddened to learn of the passing of CTF Board member Dr. Sophie Womack on February 17. As reported in the Detroit Free Press, “Womack, a neonatologist, was elected the first black female president of the Wayne County Medical Society of Michigan. She also was the vice president of medical affairs for Harper University Hospital and Hutzel Women’s Hospital—the first woman to hold the position in the Detroit Medical Center system.” In 2007, Dr. Womack was named president of the Wayne County Medical Society of southeast Michigan. She was appointed by Governor Granholm to fill an unexpired CTF Board term in 2007 and was recently reappointed to a full term. Dr. Womack served as a passionate advocate for the health and safety of Michigan’s children and families. She will be greatly missed.

## Upcoming Events

**March 1:** Two Circle of Parents workshops will be conducted by Sylvia Brown Jones, LMSW. The workshops will be held at the New Hope Missionary Baptist Church located at 23455 W. Nine Mile Road in Southfield. The workshops are being presented in conjunction with "Blazing the Trail Back to the Village: 2nd Annual Parenting Conference." The Circle of Parents workshops will be held at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Contact New Hope Missionary Baptist Church at 248.353.0675 for more information.

**March 13:** The St. Clair County Child Abuse/Neglect Council will host its Annual Awards Luncheon on March 13, 2008, at the Fogcutter Restaurant in downtown Port Huron from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tickets are \$16.00 per person. Seating is limited so please make your reservation by March 10. This event honors the Child Advocate of the Year and the Community Child Advocate of the Year. For more information or to make a nomination, please contact the council at 810.966.9911.

**March 15:** Join Congressman John Conyers at the "Rise and Shine" breakfast event to celebrate Parenting Awareness Month. Breakfast with the Congressman will be from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and will be followed by opportunities to learn about family support programs. The event will be held at the Peter Vetal Elementary and Middle School in the Brightmoor neighborhood of Detroit. For more information or to RSVP, contact Michele Corey at Michigan's Children via email at corey.michele@michiganschildren.org or by phone at 800.330.8674.

**April 21-22:** The Michigan Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention and Healthy Homes Programs will hold a Lead Safe and Healthy Homes Conference on April 21 and 22 at Michigan State University's Kellogg Center in East Lansing. For more information or to register, visit [www.mphi.eductrng.net](http://www.mphi.eductrng.net) or contact Tarah Collins at 517.324.8329 or [tcollins@mphi.org](mailto:tcollins@mphi.org).



## Local Council Work Group

The standing Local Council Work Group (LCWG) mentioned in previous *News Briefs* will hold its first teleconference meeting on Thursday, March 13. The group consists of 22 local council volunteer representatives from all regions of the state and all tier levels. The CTF Executive Director and Program Director, as well as a CTF Board member, will also serve on the panel. The group will be co-chaired by the CTF Executive Director and local council representative Annemarie Valdez. All meetings will be held via teleconference and will focus on plans, strategies, and communications for improving local council and CTF practices and effectiveness. Please contact Richard Bearup ([bearupr2@michigan.gov](mailto:bearupr2@michigan.gov)) or Janell Thelen ([thelenj2@michigan.gov](mailto:thelenj2@michigan.gov)) with any questions.

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# Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention 2008 5K Run/Walk Blue Ribbon Race



**DATE:** April 13, 2008

**TIME:** Registration begins at 11am  
Race start time 1pm

**LOCATION:** State Capitol  
Downtown Lansing

**REGISTRATION:**  
Mail/Drop off completed form and fees to:  
Children's Trust Fund  
235 South Grand Avenue; Suite 1411  
Lansing, MI 48933  
Fax form to: (517) 241-7038  
Payment may be processed  
through the Kid Store on our website  
[www.michigan.gov/ctf](http://www.michigan.gov/ctf)

**ENTRY FEE:**  
\$20 before April 3, 2008  
\$25 after April 3, 2008  
Group rates 10 or more/\$15 each  
All participants will receive a shirt  
Please make checks payable to:  
Children's Trust Fund

**AWARDS:**

To the top three finishers in each  
**AGE GROUPS:**  
14 and under, 15-19, 20-24,  
25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49,  
50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70 and over

**PACKET PICKUP:**

Friday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 8am-5pm,  
Children's Trust Fund office  
Grand Tower Building  
April 13<sup>th</sup>, Race Day from 11am-1pm  
State Capitol grounds

Official sponsor: Citadel  
Broadcasting Company! 97.5 WJIM-FM  
Lansing's hit radio station will be  
broadcasting live!

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Drop off your new or gently used  
sneakers to be donated to:  
Pretty Lake Vacation Camp  
[www.prettylakecamp.org](http://www.prettylakecamp.org)

**The Power of One Action!**

**2008 CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND 5K RUN/WALK  
Registration Form**

LAST NAME FIRST NAME

ADDRESS CITY

STATE ZIP EMAIL (required)

( ) PHONE AGE (on 4/13/08) BIRTHDATE  MALE  FEMALE

**T-Shirt Size** (please check one):  
Youth:  SM  MED  LG  
Adult:  SM  MED  LG  XL  XXL

**Entry Fee** (please check one):  
 \$20 Pre-Registration  \$25 Late Registration  
 \$15 Group Rate (10 or more)

Group Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please make checks payable to: **Children's Trust Fund**

I know that running/walking a road race is a potentially hazardous activity which could cause injury or death, and I should not enter this event unless I am medically able and properly trained. I assume all risks associated with participating in this event. In consideration of your accepting my entry, I for myself and anyone entitled to act on my behalf, waive and release Children's Trust Fund, the State of Michigan, Ingham County, all event sponsors, officers, employees, and volunteers from all claims of liabilities for any damages of personal property, sickness or illness of any kind arising out of my/my children's participation in this event, or which may arise out of traveling to and/or returning from this event. I also authorize Children's Trust Fund officials to utilize any photographs and videotapes of myself/our family participating in Children's Trust Fund 5K Race for any and all purposes accordingly.

SIGNATURE DATE

(A parent or legal guardian must sign for all participants under the age of 18)