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NC State Mental Health Update

As we have informed you in the past year, NC State is in the middle of a mental health reform and many changes are happening. FFCS continues to work very hard to ensure that our services will continue and no clients/families will feel any impact from these changes that are occurring. **(FYI: For new clients/families, in order for providers in NC to continue to provide Intensive In-Home and Case Management Services, the provider must become Critical Access Behavioral Health Agency (CAHBA) before January 1, 2011. Therefore, FFCS is working towards achieving the status of "CABHA".)**

Recently we were able to pass the "DESK REVIEW" for the CABHA attestation process. Thank you for all your support throughout this process and a very special thank you to Mr. P and Ms. C for advocating for our agency..... We were surprised to hear that they contacted the State directly regarding our desk review process. But it worked!!! We are now going to the next step, "Interview with CABHA Review Panel" in Raleigh on October 26, 2010.

Once we pass the Interview in Raleigh, the CABHA Panel will visit FFCS office for a site review. If (When) we pass the site review, we will officially become a CABHA certified agency!! Which means we can continue our services to your children without any interruptions in services after January 1, 2011. Your continued support is greatly appreciated. Lastly, if you have any questions, please contact us at 704-364-3989 (ask for Viva or Michiko).



Agency Update



We are very sorry that our newsletter development was delayed this year due to changes that are happening in the state. But we would like to introduce to you our new clinical and medical director. **Dr. Praful Mehta** is our new psychiatrist and provides medical supervision to our staff and medication management to our clients. **Travis Bobb**, LPC is our clinical director who provide clinical supervision to our staff. Also our **Substance Abuse Intensive Outpatient Program (SAIOP)** is now open 3 hours per day/4days a week. This is available for adults and children with substance abuse challenges.