

**Training and Technical Assistance Calendar For Family Support Network,  
 Preschool Partners and Partners for Success Staff - Spring 2006**

<b>Topic and Presenters</b>	<b>Activity Description</b>	<b>Date and Location</b>
<p><b>Parent-2-Parent Forum</b>            Brief presentations by those implementing Parent-2-Parent in various parts of the state followed by facilitated discussion.</p>	<p>This forum will provide participants the opportunity to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•share Parent-2-Parent activities throughout the state</li> <li>•discuss a variety of Parent-2-Parent models and reflect on what is working/not working and why</li> <li>•come together and support one another in order to better support parents and families in Maryland</li> </ul>	<p><b>February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2006</b>            Maryland School for the Deaf            Columbia Campus            10:00am – 2:00pm</p>
<p><b>The 2006 FAMILY FOCUS CONFERENCE: The Dance of Partnership</b>            This conference is for families of children birth-5 with a disability and selected professionals from each jurisdiction. Keynote address by Janice Fialka, author of The Dance of Partnership. <b>FNS, PP and PFS coordinators are highly encouraged to attend and participate as presenters and/or exhibitors.</b></p>	<p>In addition to morning keynote, two afternoon sessions with 10 breakout options. Exhibitors available all day. Breakout sessions include three strands:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Disability specific topics (services/informative)</li> <li>•Supporting children and families in the community (childcare, school, recreation, home)</li> <li>•Social emotional development (overall child development related to mental health and behavior)</li> </ul>	<p><b>March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2006</b>            Columbia Hilton Hotel            Columbia, MD             8:30am – 4:30pm</p>
<p><b>The Dance of Partnerships</b> - mini-conference with Janice Fialka and Micah Fialka (her son).</p>	<p>Dance of Partnership workshop tailored to meet the needs of the Orthodox Jewish Community but anyone can attend. Family Focus conference materials will also be available.</p>	<p><b>March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2006 2:00 – 5:00pm</b>            Jewish Community Center,            Baltimore, MD</p>
<p><b>Training of Trainers - Responsive Training Symposium</b>            A three-part series by Maryland Committee for Children, Steve Rohde, Director of Training and Technical Assistance. FSN, PP and PFS participants will learn how to effectively present a workshop or presentation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•<b>Part 1</b> - Introducing Responsive Training-interactive and creative techniques, basic goals, objectives and needs assessment.</li> <li>•<b>Part 2</b> - Using Interactive Training Techniques-providing meaningful learning experiences and methods to respond to participants needs.</li> <li>•<b>Part 3</b> - Extended Experiential Learning- Participants will gain understanding of learning cycles and understanding of practical training pitfalls.</li> </ul>	<p><b>April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2006 9:00am – 3:30pm</b>            Maryland School for the Deaf            Columbia Campus  <b>April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2006 9:00am – 3:30pm</b>            Maryland School for the Deaf  <b>May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2006 9:00am – 3:30pm</b>            Newton White Mansion            Mitchellville, MD</p>
<p><b>End of the Year Celebration - Reflections of Our Journey</b></p>	<p>A celebration for Family Support Services FSN, PP and PFS staff.</p>	<p><b>May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2006 9:30am – 3:00pm</b>            Newton White Mansion            Mitchellville, MD</p>