

Family Critical Time Intervention: An Instructor-Led Online Course

Meets weekly on Thursdays, from
September 27 through November 15, 2012
(8 sessions)

12:00 – 1:30 pm ET (includes weekly live
meetings and self-directed learning)

**Free informational
webcast on Family CTI:**

July 12, 2012 from 12:00 – 1:00 pm ET

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Course description

Family Critical Time Intervention (Family CTI) is a time-limited, intensive intervention that helps high-risk homeless families return to stable housing in the community. The model is appropriate for families who are chronically homeless; have multiple episodes of homelessness; include young parents, veterans, and domestic violence survivors; are involved in the child welfare system; and/or have other multiple challenges. Led by Family CTI experts, this course includes 12 hours of intensive instruction through live webcasts, team assignments, and online discussion forums. Teams receive individualized feedback from instructors on assignments. Session



topics include preparing to start your Family CTI program, a review of the research base for Family CTI, the phases of Family CTI, clinical perspectives, working with special populations, and ways to move forward once the course ends. For six months following the course, each team receives five hours of ongoing implementation support through webcasts and coaching sessions for clinical supervisors, program directors, and Family CTI workers.

Continuing Education Credits

Pending approval, we will offer Continuing Education Credits from the National Association of Social Workers (NASW), National Association of Alcoholism and Drug Addiction Counselors (NADAAC), and the National Board of Certified Counselors (NBCC).

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Recommended Audiences

- Agencies working with families who are chronically homeless and/or have multiple episodes of homelessness.
- Agencies serving young parents, veterans, domestic violence survivors and/or families with child welfare involvement.
- Agencies looking for practices that minimize the time families are homeless.
- Teams comprised of direct service staff and clinical supervisors.

Instructors

Judith Samuels, PhD has conducted and led extensive research in the areas of adult and family homelessness, policy and services. She was the Principal Investigator for the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)-funded study on *The Impact of the Family Critical Time Intervention on Homeless Children*, a randomized clinical trial of the Family Critical Time Intervention model. The Family CTI model has now been disseminated and is in use in the US and Canada. Her work with homeless families is cited as a model program in President Bush's New Freedom Commission on Mental Health's final report, *Achieving the Promise: Transforming Mental Health Care in America*. Judy is an active reviewer for the Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) National Registry of Evidence-Based Programs and Practices (NREPP).

Alan Felix, MD is a psychiatrist and part of the original team of innovators who developed and tested the Critical Time Intervention (CTI) model. Alan also played a key role in the adaptation of CTI for use with families and was the clinical supervisor for the experimental Family CTI studies. He has extensive clinical and programmatic experience. Alan has had a general practice in psychiatry since 1987, specializing in integrating psychotherapy and psychopharmacology. In addition, he has had extensive experience working in the public sector, primarily with homeless populations and victims of 9/11.

Winifred Hartnett, MS-Ed, MPA has over thirty years experience in both the public and non-profit sector servicing high-risk children, youth, and families. For the first fifteen years of her career she held various positions from case manager to program specialist with Westchester County Department of Social Services. It was during that period of time when she was first recognized in the area of program development for her coordination and development of Westchester County's After-Hours, Emergency Services Program. She then designed and developed, in coordination with the Volunteers of America, Westchester's first licensed single shelter for homeless men and women. As Executive Director of H.O.P.E. (Helping Out People Everywhere, Inc.), Winifred was first introduced to the Critical Time Intervention model. H.O.P.E. was chosen during 2000 as one of two community based agencies to participate in the research of this model as the housing and case management provider.

Registration & Tuition

Since family CTI is a team-based model, tuition is based on teams. Please contact Tom Bardwell at 617-467-6014 or tbardwell@center4si.com to register and for more information.

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