

## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

## CHILDREN'S DIVISION

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**What's Inside:**

- CQI Newsletter, In Focus

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** REGIONAL EXECUTIVE STAFF, CIRCUIT MANAGERS AND ALL CHILDREN'S DIVISION STAFF

**FROM:** PAULA NEESE, DIRECTOR

**SUBJECT:** QUARTERLY CQI NEWSLETTER, [IN FOCUS](#)

**DISCUSSION:**

Attached please find the quarterly Continuous Quality Improvement newsletter, *In Focus*. This quarter's newsletter discusses well-being of older foster youth and covers areas of well-being assessed during the Child and Family Services review. Information is provided on the Extreme Recruitment program, the Blue Ribbon Panel, and consumer surveys administered to foster youth. The newsletter also contains CQI successes, a feature interview with former foster youth Zach Sandner and highlights of the 2009 Youth and Adult Leadership and Empowerment Conference held during June.

If you have any information or success stories you would like to have shared in next quarter's newsletter, please contact Meliny Staysa, Quality Assurance Unit Manager, through Microsoft Outlook or by phone at (573) 751-4832 or your regional Quality Assurance Specialist. Thank you for your ongoing commitment to the children and families served by the division.

**Necessary Action:**

1. Review this memorandum with all Children's Division Staff.
2. Review the In Focus newsletter during CQI Meetings.
3. All questions should be cleared through normal supervisory channels.

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