

## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

## CHILDREN'S DIVISION

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## M E M O R A N D U M

**What's Inside:**  
Introduction of  
report on  
reducing  
recurrence of  
maltreatment

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

FROM: PAULA NEESE

SUBJECT: INTRODUCTION OF REPORT ON ***REDUCING RECURRENCE  
OF MALTREATMENT***

## DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this memo is to provide staff with a [report](#) written as a result of the work done in the Learning Collaborative on Reducing Recurrence of Maltreatment.

This collaborative on Reducing Recurrence of Maltreatment was a partnership with Casey Family Programs, taking place for 18 months in 2008/2009. The Collaborative consisted of workgroups from the Northwest, Southwest, St. Louis County, St. Louis City and the Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline Unit (CANHU). The groups met twice in person and participated in monthly conference calls as part of the collaborative.

The report addresses what activities each group undertook in their efforts to reduce recurring maltreatment in their sites. Each group used "small tests of change" to child welfare practice to quickly test and evaluate the progress of ideas generated from group members.

Any of the practice ideas and techniques generated by the Collaborative may be used by other staff in any area of the state.

**NECESSARY ACTION**

1. Review this memorandum with all Children's Division staff.
2. All questions should be cleared through normal supervisory channels and directed to:

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<b>CHILD WELFARE MANUAL REVISIONS</b> N/A	
<b>FORMS AND INSTRUCTIONS</b> N/A	
<b>REFERENCE DOCUMENTS AND RESOURCES</b> <a href="#">Report on Reducing the Recurrence of Maltreatment</a>	
<b>RELATED STATUTE</b> N/A	
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE RULE</b> N/A	
<b>COUNCIL ON ACCREDITATION (COA) STANDARDS</b> N/A	
<b>CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES REVIEW (CFSR)</b> N/A	
<b>PROTECTIVE FACTORS</b> N/A	
<b>FACES REQUIREMENTS</b> N/A	