☒ Cultural Competency

Engaging Fathers & Other Adult Males in the Therapeutic Process

DATE & TIME: **September 26, 2022** **9:00am to 11:30am**

Sign-in begins 30 minutes prior to the training time. All participants must arrive during the sign-in period. Late arrivals will not be admitted.

PLACE: **Web Broadcast – MS TEAMS**
Registrants are required to join through a provided MS TEAMS link or access the web version of MS TEAMS. Participants must have reliable internet access and audio/visual capability to participate in this training.

This training provides participants with an opportunity to take an in-depth look at biases and barriers to engaging fathers, and other adult males, of children and youth involved in the Child Welfare system. Participants will revisit the Integrated Core Practice Model (ICPM) and focus on the Engagement component within the context of the Child and Family Team (CFT) process. Discussions include: defining fatherhood, stereotypes and misconceptions of fatherhood, and fathers' and other adult males' role in the lives of children and youth. Recent data will be shared on the positive impact fathers/males can and do have in the lives of children and youth. The training will explore how a generational shift in cultural norms and perspectives can be a crucial point of engagement for service providers working within systems that historically favor mothers. Strategies to engage fathers and other adult males in their own mental health treatment within the Child and Family Team process will be discussed.

TARGET AUDIENCE: DMH staff and contracted mental health providers rendering services to children and youth.

OBJECTIVES: **As a result of attending this training, participants should be able to:**

1. Describe biases and barriers to engaging and teaming with fathers and adult males in treatment.
2. Identify at least two approaches and strategies for engaging fathers and adult males in treatment.
3. Identify fathers and adult males' culture and strengths as supports to be utilized during the CFT process and in treatment.

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CONTINUING EDUCATION: **NONE**
COST: **NONE**

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