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Creating Trauma-Informed Child Welfare Systems: A Guide for Administrators, 2nd Edition

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The second edition of *Creating Trauma-Informed Child Welfare Systems: A Guide for Administrators*, is now available. In addition to having the final version of the 7 Essential Elements of a Trauma-Informed Child Welfare System, it includes a new chapter. The chapter is entitled Psychotropic Medication Use Among Children Exposed to Trauma and was written after a rich discussion at the National Advisory Committee meeting in January 2013 that proved that it was a topic that needed to be addressed in the guide.

The guide is divided into the following sections and chapters:

Introduction including a Foreword, Overview of the Project, Background, Essential Elements of a Trauma-Informed Child Welfare System, and General Recommendations from the Field

Cross-Cutting Issues including:

Chapter 1: The Role of Development in Vulnerability to and Responses to Traumatic Events

Chapter 2: Influence of Culture on Responses to Traumatic Events

Chapter 3: The Impact of Trauma on the Brain

Chapter 4: Addressing Secondary Traumatic Stress and Vicarious Trauma in the Child Welfare Workforce

Chapter 5: Promoting Child and Family Resiliency in the Aftermath of Trauma

Child Welfare Practice including:

Chapter 6: Applying a Trauma Lens to Child Welfare Practice

Chapter 7: Embedding Trauma-Informed Practice in the Broader Child and Family-Serving System

Chapter 8: Trauma-Informed Investigation and Engagement

Chapter 9: Screening for Child Trauma within Child Welfare Jurisdictions

Mental Health Practice including:

Chapter 10: Comprehensive Trauma-Focused Mental Health Assessment

Chapter 11: Role of Trauma-Focused, Evidence-Based Mental Health Treatment for Child Trauma

Chapter 12: Psychotropic Medication Use Among Children Exposed to Trauma

Cross-System Partnering including:

Chapter 13: Using Trauma-Informed Services to Increase Parental Protective Factors

Chapter 14: Trauma-Informed Caregiving: Working with Substitute Care Providers

Chapter 15: Collaborating with Other Agencies

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