THE CLFC FAMILY REUNION NEWS

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Upcoming Opportunities for You to Become a Certified CLFC Marriage Enhancement Program Trainer or Be Certified as a Master Trainer in the Original CLFC Program or the CLFC Fatherhood Program

The Deadline is Approaching for an Opportunity to become a Certified Trainer in The Creating Lasting Family Connections Marriage Enhancement Program (CLFCMEP)

The 2019 National Association for Relationship and Marriage Education (NARME) Conference in Nashville, TN will take place on July 17th -19th.

If you or someone you know is looking for a way to help couples enhance their marriage (and family) in your community, we are offering an exclusive "<u>Training of Trainers</u>" for the evidence-based *Creating Lasting Family Connections Marriage Enhancement Program* (CLFCMEP) on July 14th -16th in Nashville, TN as part of the NARME Pre-Summit activities. For more info on the NARME Summit or to register for the training, click here: <u>http://www.narme.org/2019-narme-summit/</u> or call Teresa Boyd Strader at 502-693-5232 for more information.

Opportunity to Receive Master Trainer Certification for the Original CLFC or the CLFC Fatherhood Program

A Few Full and Partial Scholarships Are Available

We are excited to announce the opportunity for previously certified CLFC Implementation Trainers to participate in a 5-day *Creating Lasting Family Connections (CLFC) Master Trainer Training* at our headquarters in beautiful Lousiville, Kentucky. Certified CLFC Master Trainers will be qualified to train other professionals or volunteers within their own organization to implement the CLFC program. Only previously certified CLFC Implementation Trainers can participate.

Certified CLFC Master Trainers are also be eligible to receive paid contracts, plus travel and per diem expenses from Resilient Futures Network and/or COPES Inc. to train others outside of their own agencies. All certified Master Trainers are expected to coordinate all CLFC training through the COPES office so that their participants can receive certification and be placed on our national registry of Certified CLFC Implementers. The cost for the 5-day training is \$2500. per person. Several full and partial scholarships are available to qualified applicants.

To inquire about your opportunity to receive Master Trainer Certification Training for you or your agency, please email <u>teresastraderrfn@gmail.com</u> or call Teresa today at 502-897-1111.

Creating Lasting Family Connections (CLFC) Master Trainers Present at National Conferences

The *CLFC Curriculum Series* Developer, Ted N. Strader, and CLFC Master Trainer, Christopher Kokoski were invited to present at several national conferences this summer. The conferences and workshops are described below and demonstrate an interest in evidence-based family-strengthening programs that integrate skills applicable to the fields of fatherhood, marriage, prevention, treatment and mental health.

 CLFC Master Trainer, Christopher Kokoski, presented at the 2019 Missouri Department of Mental Health Spring Institute on May 30-31, 2019. The title of his presentation was Successfully Implementing a Statewide Rollout of an Evidenced-Based Family- Strengthening Curriculum Series. The workshop description: Learn how the evidence-based Creating Lasting Family Connections® (CLFC) Curriculum Series developers successfully conducted a statewide roll out as the focal point of the Children of Incarcerated Parents (COIP) project. The Series includes the Original CLFC Program for youth and adults, the CLFC Marriage Enhancement Program for reentering couples and the CLFC Fatherhood Program: Family Reunification for men and their families. The overarching goal of COIP is to mobilize service systems throughout the state to build resiliency, develop resistance skills for substance use and address trauma in children of incarcerated parents and their families using the CLFC Curriculum Series. CLFC developers trained professional and passionate grass roots community members through the Urban Minority Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Outreach Program (UMADAOP), a federation of 11 agencies across Ohio strategically poised to fulfill the ambitious goals of the project.

- The CLFC Curriculum Series Developer, Ted N. Strader, presented at the 2019 National Fatherhood Summit in Nashville, TN on June 4-6th. The title of his presentation was "Relationships Ignite Resilience and Recovery". This panel provided a backdrop review of the ever-evolving substance abuse prevention and treatment policies and practices in the U.S., as well as current trends and tensions in prevention and treatment. The presenters then described practical approaches fatherhood programs can employ to effectively help fathers and families challenged by substance abuse, including the Creating Lasting Family Connections Curriculum Series.
- The CLFC Curriculum Developer, Ted N. Strader, and Master Trainer, Brooke Arnold, are scheduled to provide CLFC Marriage Enhancement Program Training during the NARME Pre-Summit Conference activities. Click the following link for more information: http://www.narme.org/2019-narme-summit/
- The CLFC Curriculum Series Developer, Ted N. Strader, has been invited to present at the 2019 National Association for Relationship and Marriage Education (NARME) Conference in Nashville, TN on July 17th -19th. The title of his presentation is *Successfully Implementing a Statewide Rollout of an Evidenced-Based Family- Strengthening Curriculum Series*. The Workshop Description: Learn how the evidence-based *Creating Lasting Family Connections*[®] (*CLFC) Curriculum Series* developers successfully conducted a statewide roll out as the focal point of the Children of Incarcerated Parents (COIP) project.

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