



August 19, 2020

To: Caregiver Recruitment and Retention Unit Staff  
Child Placing Agencies  
Foster Home Development Contractors

From: DaJari Patterson, CRRU Director  
Shaun Johnson, OPM Director

Re: IMPACT Revisions Update

To ensure our prospective caregivers receive the most relevant information to assist them with parenting children in foster care, the Division has been assessing the IMPACT training program content. This assessment will continue as we pilot the National Training and Development Curriculum (NTDC) and consider future enhancements to IMPACT training. At this time, two modules of the current IMPACT curriculum have been revised and an overview of these modules will be presented to all certified IMPACT trainers. The two modules that have been revised include the Partnership Parenting module and the Trauma Informed Parenting module. IMPACT trainers will receive a one-hour overview of the two modules. Upon completion of the overviews, IMPACT trainers must replace the current Partnership Parent module and the Trauma module with the revised modules prior to conducting IMPACT.

Four one-hour training sessions will be offered. Each session will be held via Microsoft Teams and is **limited to 100 participants**. The sessions will be held on *August 31<sup>st</sup> 10am-11am, August 31<sup>st</sup> 2pm-3pm, September 11<sup>th</sup> 10am-11am and September 11<sup>th</sup> 2pm-3pm*. Participants will only need to attend one session. Verification of attendance will be provided.

#### Registration Instructions:

**DFCS Staff:** Register at [www.iotis.org](http://www.iotis.org). Course name: IMPACT Revision Overview

**CPA Staff:** Complete the attached spreadsheet and return to [opm.leadership@dhs.ga.gov](mailto:opm.leadership@dhs.ga.gov) no later than August 24<sup>th</sup>

**FHD Contractors:** Complete the attached spreadsheet and return to [FHD.Contractors@dhs.ga.gov](mailto:FHD.Contractors@dhs.ga.gov) no later than August 24<sup>th</sup>