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Summary

The California Women, Children and Families Technical Assistance Project (CalWCF) provides technical assistance to improve access and the quality of treatment services for women, including pregnant and parenting women, with substance use disorders and their families. Children and Family Futures (CFF) was awarded the CalWCF contract by the State of California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs (ADP). To identify the most critical topics and methods of technical assistance service delivery, CalWCF conducted a needs assessment through a brief on-line survey. Eighty-four respondents representing 39 counties participated in the assessment; two-thirds of the respondents identified themselves as treatment providers. Overall, the assessment calls for maintaining an array of technical assistance delivery methods and the capacity to deliver technical assistance on a wide variety of topics.

Respondents were asked whether they had low interest, moderate interest or high interest in receiving technical assistance and training on forty different topics within the categories of: Practice/Clinical; Children's Issues; Management and Collaborations. Eleven of the top 15 topics fall in the category of Practice/Clinical, two in Children's Services, and two in Collaborations/Systems. The top 6 topics identified are listed below.

- Improving Treatment Retention for Women
- Working with Women with Co-Occurring Domestic Violence & Substance Use Disorders
- Working with Women with Co-Occurring Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders
- Addressing Methamphetamine Addiction Among Women and Families
- Motivational Interviewing and Other Effective Outreach and Intervention Strategies
- Developing Culturally Competent Treatment Services

While clearly there are topics, especially those listed above, for which there is strong interest across the State, all of the topics had more than 10% of recipients expressing high interest. Regional Trainings and Conferences (75.0%), Written Updates on Current Research or Policy (66.7%) and On-site Consultation (57.1%) were the most preferred delivery methods.

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Introduction and Background

Children and Family Futures (CFF) operates the California Women, Children and Families Technical Assistance Project (CalWCF) through a contract awarded by the State of California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs (ADP). CalWCF makes technical assistance and training available to providers, counties and other stakeholders to improve access and the quality of treatment services for women, including pregnant and parenting women with substance use disorders and their children.

A needs assessment was conducted to ensure that the intended audience and stakeholders of CalWCF have input in determining: 1) technical assistance needs; 2) materials to be produced and developed; and, 3) topics for meetings and conferences. This CFF brief highlights the results of the assessment.

Needs Assessment Methodology

Data collection was conducted via a brief on-line survey developed by CFF in collaboration with ADP. The initial topics were generated by CFF staff based on experiential knowledge of what areas of technical assistance are germane to the areas of the provision of treatment services for substance using pregnant and parenting women and their children. Individuals without on-line access requested and received a paper copy of the survey which was returned and then inputted by CalWCF staff. A printed copy of the needs assessment survey is included as Attachment 1.

The primary challenge in conducting the needs assessment was the lack of an available electronic mail database of peri-natal and women's substance use disorder treatment providers in California. CalWCF sent written correspondence informing recipients of the on-line survey and requesting email addresses to an ADP mailing list which contained all licensed or certified treatment providers (serving men and women) in California. Through this process, and other outreach efforts, CalWCF developed a database of email addresses (n= 150) for future communication.

To analyze the data in the needs assessment, several questions were included: 1) the respondent's county; 2) the primary focus of the organization; 3) who is primarily served by the organization; 4) the specific populations served by the respondent's primary role in their organization; 5) level of interest in several topic areas; and, 6) method(s) of delivery for the information. Operational definitions of these areas are described below.

County. County refers to the primary county served by the organization. Two respondents indicated more than one county served.

Organizational Focus. The responses indicating the type of respondent organizations included program administration, health/public health/domestic violence, substance abuse treatment, mental health, child welfare services, research/evaluation, CalWORKs/Department of Social Services, community support services, Proposition 36/Drug Court/PPN, advocacy, juvenile/family court, prevention or intervention services and other. Respondents were limited to one answer to identify the primary focus of their organization.

Who is Served by Organization. The respondents were asked to indicate who is primarily served by their organization. Respondents were limited to one population selection out of the following choices: Women with Substance Use Disorders, Pregnant/Parenting Women with Substance Use Problems and their Children, Women with Co-occurring Substance Use and Mental Health Disorders, Children/Youth/Families, Girls/Adolescents at Risk of Substance Use Disorders, Individuals with Mental Health Problems, Pregnant Women, Providers and others.

Populations Served. The respondents indicated if there is a specific population that they serve. Responses included: Child Welfare Involved, Rural, Homeless, Incarcerated/Formerly Incarcerated, Lesbian/Gay/Transgender, People with Disabilities, Deaf/Hard of Hearing, African American, Asian/Pacific Islanders/Filipinos, Latinos/Latinas and Native Americans. Participants could respond with more than one answer.

Technical Assistance Topic Area Level of Interest. Respondents were given a series of technical assistance topic areas such as Practice and Clinical Issues, Children's Issues, Management Issues and Collaboration/Systems Issues. The respondents were asked to rate their level of interest in receiving technical assistance in each topic by choosing one of the following responses: 1 (little or no interest); 2 (moderately interested); and, 3 (extremely interested).

Technical Assistance Method of Delivery. Respondents were asked to select preferred method(s) of delivery for technical assistance and training. The possible choices included: Regional Training and Conferences, Webcasts, Web-based Tutorials, On-site Consultation (1-2 sessions on one topic), In-depth On-site Consultation (more than 2 sessions on one topic), Phone

Consultation, Checklists and Other Written Documents, Breakthrough Series (on-going learning/change work groups), Written Updates on Current Research or Policy, or Listserv and/or Bulletin Boards.

The data from the on-line survey was cleaned and then transferred to SPSS for the analyses. Descriptive statistics (mean, frequency, standard deviation) and summary statistics provided useful information about group characteristics for the different analytic comparisons. Significant results from the analyses are summarized in the results section.

Respondent Characteristics

Eighty-four respondents completed the brief on-line survey. The surveys came from 39 counties throughout the state of California (see Table 1). The largest percent of respondents were from Los Angeles County (17.9%), San Diego County (9.5%), Sacramento County (7.1%) and Orange County (6.0%).

Table 1: Responses by County Served (n=84)

County	N	%
Alameda	1	1.2
Calaveras	2	2.4
Colusa	1	1.2
Contra Costa	1	1.2
El Dorado	1	1.2
Fresno	3	3.6
Glenn	1	1.2
Humboldt	1	1.2
Imperial	1	1.2
Kern	2	2.4
Lake	1	1.2
Lassen	1	1.2
Los Angeles	15	17.9
Madera	1	1.2
Marin	3	3.6
Monterey	1	1.2
Napa	1	1.2
Nevada	1	1.2
Orange	5	6.0
Placer	2	2.4

County Continued	N	%
Plumas	1	1.2
Riverside	1	1.2
Sacramento	6	7.1
San Bernardino	2	2.4
San Diego	8	9.5
San Francisco	3	3.6
San Joaquin	2	2.4
Santa Clara	1	1.2
San Mateo	2	2.4
Santa Barbara	1	1.2
Santa Clara	1	1.2
Santa Cruz	3	3.6
Shasta	2	2.4
Sierra	1	1.2
Solano	2	2.4
Stanislaus	1	1.2
Sutter/Yuba	1	1.2
Tehama	1	1.2
Tulare	1	1.2

More than 26% of the respondents reported that their organization primarily serves both women and men with substance use disorders, while 42.9% primarily serve women, pregnant/parenting women or women with co-occurring disorders (see Table 2).

Table 2: Primary Population Served by Organization

	N	%
Women and Men with Substance Use Disorders	22	26.2
Pregnant/Parenting Women with Substance Use Problems and their Children	19	22.6
Others	17	20.2
Women with Substance Use Disorders	13	15.5
Women with Co-occurring Substance Use and Mental Health Disorders	4	4.8
Children, Youth and Families	4	4.8
Providers	4	4.8
Individuals with Mental Health Problems	1	1.2

Two-thirds of the respondents reported the primary focus of their organization is substance abuse treatment (see Table 3).

Table 3: Organizational Focus

	N	%
Substance Abuse Treatment	56	66.7
Other (i.e., have multiple focuses)	11	13.1
Program Administration	5	6.0
Community Support Services	3	3.6
Health, Public Health, Domestic Violence	2	2.4
Advocacy	2	2.4
Mental Health	1	1.2
Child Welfare Services	1	1.2
CalWORKs/Department of Social Services	1	1.2
Proposition 36/Drug Court/Parole Provider Network	1	1.2
Prevention/Intervention Services	1	1.2

In addition, the respondents identified a number of specific populations that they serve (see Table 4 and Figure 1). For example, 77.4% serve child welfare involved clients; 76.2% serve

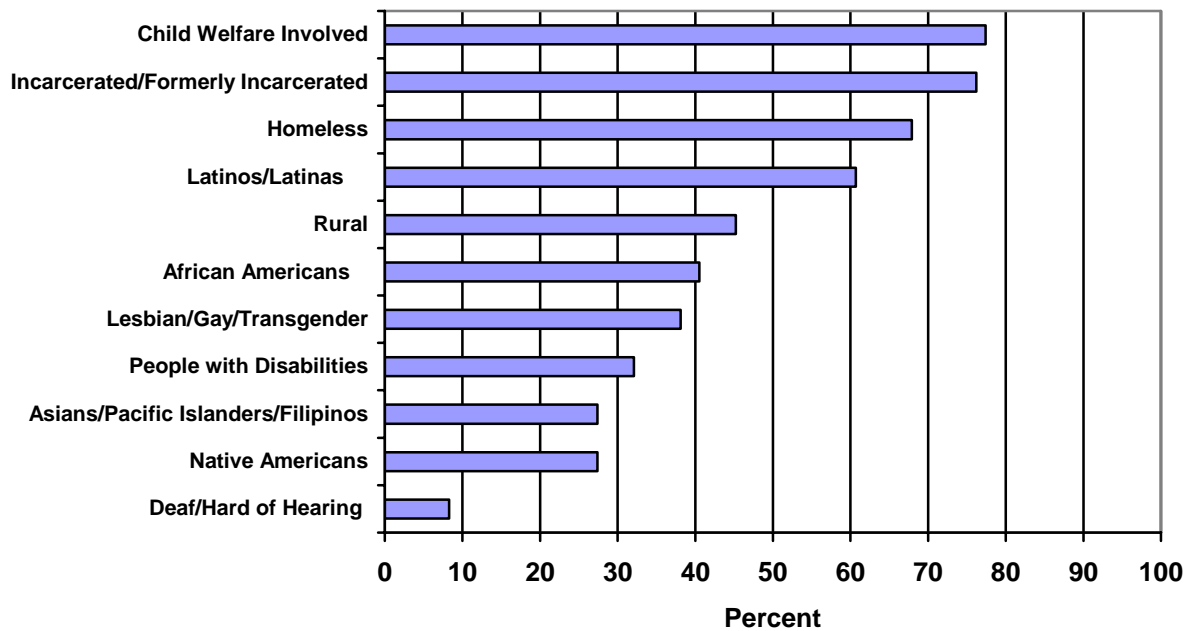
incarcerated/formerly incarcerated clients; 67.9% serve the homeless; and 60.7% specifically serve Latino/Latina clients.

Table 4: Specific Populations Served

Populations Served*	N	%
Child Welfare Involved	65	77.4
Incarcerated/Formerly Incarcerated	64	76.2
Homeless	57	67.9
Latinos/Latinas	51	60.7
Rural	38	45.2
African Americans	34	40.5
Lesbian/Gay/Transgender	32	38.1
People with Disabilities	27	32.1
Asians/Pacific Islanders/Filipinos	23	27.4
Native Americans	23	27.4
Deaf/Hard of Hearing	7	8.3

*Note: Respondents could answer more than one population served. Thus, the total populations served will equal more than 100%.

Figure 1. Populations Served

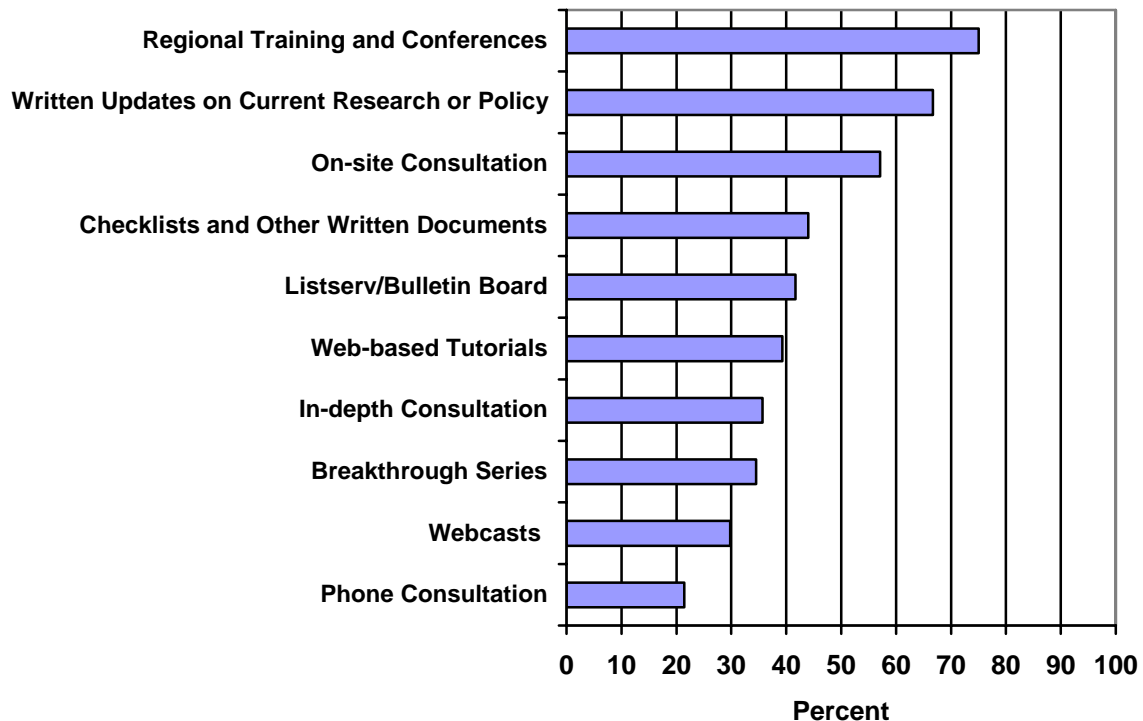


Preferred Method of Technical Assistance Delivery

The survey also solicited feedback on the preferred methods of technical assistance delivery. The methods of technical assistance delivery included: Regional Training and Conferences, Webcasts, Web-based Tutorials, On-site Consultation (1-2 sessions on one topic), In-depth On-site Consultation (more than 2 sessions on one topic), Phone Consultation, Checklists and Other Written Documents, Breakthrough Series (on-going learning/change work groups), Written Updates on Current Research or Policy or Listserv and/or Bulletin Boards.

Overall, (See Figure 2), the respondents preferred Regional Training/Conferences (75.0%), Written Updates on Current Research and Policy (66.7%) and On-site Consultation (57.1%) as methods of technical assistance delivery. There was far less interest in Phone Consultation (21.4%) and Webcasts (29.8%). Of the ten methods listed, respondents identified an average of five methods of preferred technical assistance delivery. Responses tended to cluster together, with some respondents preferring more “technologically advanced” delivery and others preferring more traditional (on-site consultation, telephone, etc.)

Figure 2. Preferred TA Delivery Method



Topics of Interest

Four major topic areas were prioritized by CalWCF as important to stakeholders. The four topic areas are:

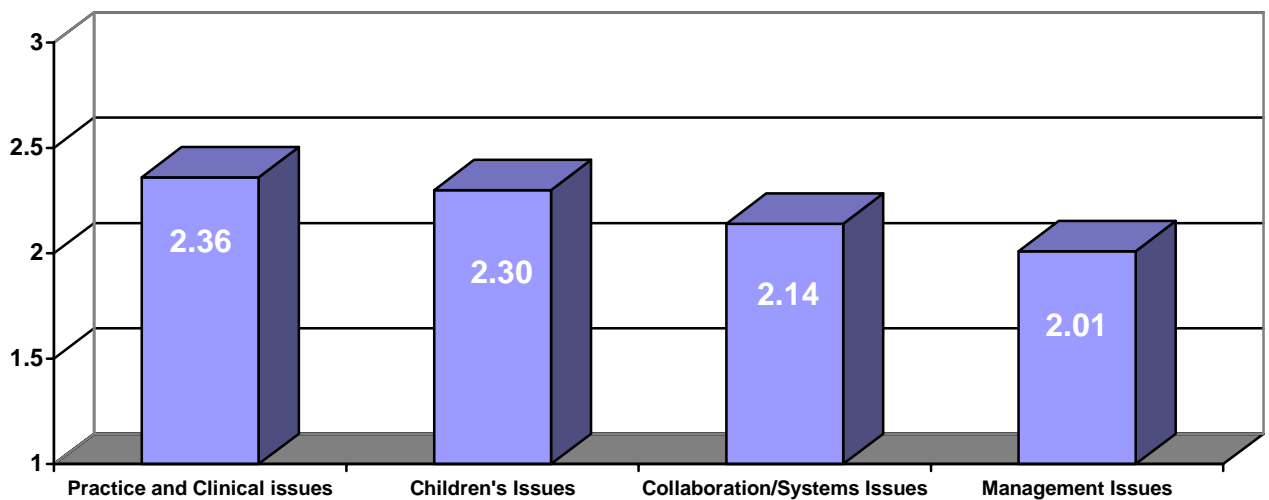
- Practice and Clinical Issues
- Children's Issues
- Management Issues
- Collaboration/Systems Issues

The respondents were asked to rate their level of interest in receiving technical assistance in each of the specific topic areas. The level of interest scores ranged from 1=little or no interest, 2=moderate interest and 3=high interest. Mean level of interest scores were computed for each topic area as well as the individual items comprising each topic area.

General Interest by Category

Overall there was moderate-high interest in Practice and Clinical Issues and Children's Issues and moderate interest in Collaborations/Systems Issues and Management Issues (See Figure 3). Total mean scores by topic area for all respondents show a slightly higher level of interest in Practice and Clinical Issues (Mean=2.36) followed by Children's Issues (Mean=2.30), Collaboration/Systems Issues (Mean=2.14) and Management Issues (Mean=2.01). Detailed figures indicating each topic and the level of interest are contained in Attachment 2.

Figure 3. Mean Summary by Topic Area



Mean Scores for Specific Topic Areas

The mean scores on the individual items indicated that the top five highest levels of interest are Practice and Clinical issues. For example, technical assistance regarding Improving Treatment Retention for Women (Mean=2.67) had the highest overall mean, followed closely by Women with Co-occurring Domestic Violence (Mean=2.66) and Mental Health (Mean=2.65) Disorders, Addressing Methamphetamine (Mean=2.65) and Motivational Interviewing and other effective strategies (Mean=2.55). Table 5 presents each of the individual items in rank order by mean score.

Table 5: Overall Mean Score by Item

Topic	Mean Score
Improving Treatment Retention for Women	2.67
Working with Women with Co-Occurring Domestic Violence and Substance Use Disorders	2.66
Working with Women with Co-Occurring Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders	2.65
Addressing Methamphetamine Addiction Among Women and Families	2.56
Motivational Interviewing and Other Effective Outreach and Intervention Strategies	2.55
Developing Culturally Competent Treatment Services	2.53
Case Management Strategies for Counselors	2.52
Overview of Evidence Based Treatment Strategies	2.50
Effects of Parental Substance Use on Child Development	2.50
Assessing and Improving the Gender Responsiveness of Substance Use Services for Women and Families	2.42
Overcoming Obstacles to Recovery: Poverty and Employment	2.41
Gender Responsive Treatment for Women in Outpatient Settings	2.40
Family Treatment Models	2.40
Overcoming Obstacles to Recovery: Housing Shortages	2.38
Screening and Intervention in Substance Use Disorders	2.37
Creating a Trauma Informed Program	2.33
Reducing Systemic and Programmatic Barriers to Serving Families	2.29
Staffing Issues and Staff Training	2.29
Addressing Community Challenges to Support Relapse Prevention	2.28
Prenatal Substance Exposure, FASD	2.26

Topic	Mean Score
Designing Programs Relevant for Specific Populations of Women/Families (e.g., immigrants, racial/cultural groups, deaf/hard of hearing)	2.23
Fund Development	2.23
AOD Training for WIC, CalWORKs, Domestic Violence Providers, MCH, or Others Serving Women, Pregnant Women and Children	2.20
Identifying Collaborations and Funding for Therapeutic Services for Children	2.19
Developing Cross-System Measures of Effectiveness	2.19
Collaborating to Prevent Prenatal Substance Exposure and FASD	2.18
Residential Programs and Client Parenting	2.17
AOD Prevention, Mentoring and Intervention Strategies for Adolescent Girls	2.14
Implementing Programs Relevant for Incarcerated Women and Parolees with Substance Use Problems	2.09
Opportunities and Strategies for Working with Child Welfare: Mandates, Redesign and County Planning	2.05
Facilitation and Guidance to Support Cross-Systems Practices	2.04
Addressing the Needs of Geographically Isolated Women with Substance Use Disorders	2.00
Sample MOUs, Policies and Procedures	1.98
Automated Systems, Data collection and Outcomes, CalOMS	1.95
Integrating the Chronic Care Model into Current Treatment Practices	1.93
Organizational Development & Change Management	1.93
Facility Issues (e.g. NIMBY, confidentiality, selection)	1.86
Implementing The Institute of Medicine Continuum of Care	1.69
Program Design, Start Up, Licensing & Certification	1.64
Board of Directors Training	1.55

Topics with the Highest and Lowest Level of Expressed Interest

In addition to calculating mean scores for the individual items, we examined the items with the highest and lowest level of expressed interest. Items with over 50% of the respondents indicating “high interest” in receiving technical assistance in that area are presented below (Table 6). The items with “high interest” correlate very highly with those receiving the highest mean score (see Table 5 above). For example, Improving Treatment Retention for Women was both the top ranked item in terms of mean score and with the highest level of interest.

The majority of the items scoring very high were from the Practice and Clinical Issues topic area. For example, 12 of the 17 items in the Practice and Clinical Issues topic area and 3 out of the 5 items in the Children’s Issues had over 50% of the respondents indicating “high interest.” In contrast, none of the 7 Management Issues items and only 2 out of the 11 Collaboration/Systems Issues items had over 50% indicating “high interest.”

Table 6: Items with Highest Level of Expressed Interest

Topic	Percent with high interest
Improving Treatment Retention for Women	76.2
Working with Women with Co-Occurring Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders	76.2
Working with Women with Co-Occurring Domestic Violence and Substance Use Disorders	73.8
Addressing Methamphetamine Addiction Among Women and Families	67.5
Developing Culturally Competent Treatment Services	65.1
Motivational Interviewing and Other Effective Outreach and Intervention Strategies	64.3
Case Management Strategies for Counselors	63.1
Effects of Parental Substance Use on Child Development	61.9
Overview of Evidence Based Treatment Strategies	58.3
Family Treatment Models	57.1
Assessing & Improving the Gender Responsiveness of Substance Use Services for Women & Families	56.0
Gender Responsive Treatment for Women in Outpatient Settings	56.0
Overcoming Obstacles to Recovery: Poverty and Employment	55.0
Overcoming Obstacles to Recovery: Housing Shortages	54.8
Screening and Intervention in Substance Use Disorders	53.7
Prenatal Substance Exposure, FASD	51.0
Creating a Trauma Informed Program	50.6
Fund Development	46.4
Designing Programs Relevant for Specific Populations of Women/Families (e.g., immigrants, racial/cultural groups, deaf/hard of hearing)	46.4
AOD Training for WIC, CalWORKs, Domestic Violence Providers, MCH, or Others Serving Women, Pregnant Women and Children	46.4
Addressing Community Challenges to Support Relapse Prevention	46.3
Reducing Systemic and Programmatic Barriers to Serving Families	45.8
Identifying Collaborations and Funding for Therapeutic Services for Children	45.2

Topic	Percent with high interest
Residential Programs and Client Parenting	45.2
Staffing Issues and Staff Training	44.0
Developing Cross-System Measures of Effectiveness	44.0
Collaborating to Prevent Prenatal Substance Exposure and FASD	41.3
Implementing Programs Relevant for Incarcerated Women & Parolees with Substance Use Problems	40.0
AOD Prevention, Mentoring and Intervention Strategies for Adolescent Girls	39.3
Facilitation and Guidance to Support Cross-Systems Practices	31.0
Addressing the Needs of Geographically Isolated Women with Substance Use Disorders	30.0
Sample MOUs, Policies and Procedures	28.6
Opportunities & Strategies for Working with Child Welfare: Mandates, Redesign & County Planning	27.4
Organizational Development & Change Management	26.5
Automated Systems, Data collection and Outcomes, CalOMS	26.5
Facility Issues (e.g. NIMBY, confidentiality, selection)	22.6
Integrating the Chronic Care Model into Current Treatment Practices	21.4
Program Design, Start Up, Licensing & Certification	17.9
Implementing The Institute of Medicine Continuum of Care	16.7
Board of Directors Training	11.9

There were three items that stood out as having “little or no interest” as expressed by the majority of the respondents. These included: Implementing the Institute of Medicine Continuum of Care (47.6%), Board of Director’s Training (57.1%) and Program Design, Start-Up, Licensing & Certification (53.6%).

Discussion of Findings

Results indicate that CalWCF should maintain the capacity to provide technical assistance on a wide array of topics. For each of the 40 topics contained in the survey, at least 10% of respondents indicated a high level of interest. Only three topics had a majority (but less than 60%) indicate that they were not interested in technical assistance on the subject. In order to meet the varying needs and priorities of administrators, programs and other stakeholders serving women, including pregnant and parenting women with substance use disorders, and their families, CalWCF should maintain the capacity to provide technical assistance on all of the

topics surveyed. CalWCF should not be limited to only these topics but have the flexibility and capability to respond to other requests as they arise.

While there was some level of interest in all of the topics, several topics stood out as result of high interest and demand. Table 7 contains the top 15 topics. These topics all lend themselves well to the delivery of specific technical assistance and training, reaching direct service staff. To ensure delivery of technical assistance that is of interest to the majority of respondents, CalWCF should develop training events, in-depth technical assistance services and products from among these topics.

The preference for technical assistance regarding Practice and Clinical Issues may reflect the fact that two-thirds of the respondents work in substance abuse treatment. Less than one-fourth (22.6%) of the respondents indicated that the primary population they serve is Pregnant/Parenting Women with Substance Use Disorders yet a majority of respondents have high interest in Effects of Parental Substance Use on Child Development (61.9%), Family Treatment Models (57.1%), and Prenatal Substance Exposure, FASD. The high interest of receiving technical assistance related to Children’s Issues may reflect the larger movement in the field toward family based treatment.

Table 7: Top 15 Topics by Both Mean Score and Percent with High Interest

Topic	Mean Score	Percent with high interest
Improving Treatment Retention for Women	2.67	76.2
Working with Women with Co-Occurring Domestic Violence and Substance Use Disorders	2.66	73.8
Working with Women with Co-Occurring Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders	2.65	76.2
Addressing Methamphetamine Addiction Among Women and Families	2.56	67.5
Motivational Interviewing and Other Effective Outreach and Intervention Strategies	2.55	64.3
Developing Culturally Competent Treatment Services	2.53	65.1
Case Management Strategies for Counselors	2.52	63.1
Overview of Evidence Based Treatment Strategies	2.50	58.3
Effects of Parental Substance Use on Child Development	2.50	61.9
Assessing and Improving the Gender Responsiveness of Substance Use Services for Women and Families	2.42	56.0
Overcoming Obstacles to Recovery: Poverty and Employment	2.41	55.0
Gender Responsive Treatment for Women in Outpatient Settings	2.40	56.0

Family Treatment Models	2.40	57.1
Overcoming Obstacles to Recovery: Housing Shortages	2.38	54.8
Screening and Intervention in Substance Use Disorders	2.37	53.7

The results further indicate that it is important for CalWCF to use a variety of technical assistance service delivery approaches, including a mix of technology-based and personal-based methods. The majority of respondents preferred receiving technical assistance through Regional Training and Conferences, through Written Updates on Current Research or Policy and On-site Consultation. Dramatically less interest was expressed for Phone Consultations or Webcasts. Furthermore, while many agencies steer away from Regional Trainings and Conferences as a way for improving knowledge and service delivery, the overwhelming preference for this method of technical assistance delivery indicates that they are a valued method of receiving technical assistance.

Conclusion and Next Steps

CalWCF will utilize the results of this needs assessment to develop and implement a technical assistance and training plan. The following other points will be a part of the CalWCF service delivery.

- The delivery of technical assistance on an array of topics with a focus on clinical and practice issues allows for customized services to meet the diverse needs.
- The development of training events and written products which address improving treatment retention for women and co-occurring disorders will enable CalWCF to address the most significant TA priority.
- The continued use of an array of technical assistance service delivery methods including a balance of “high tech” and “low tech” options is necessary while moving the field toward more technology advanced methods.
- There is high interest in CalWCF developing and distributing research and policy updates.

The results of this needs assessment can also inform the work of ADP’s Office of Peri-natal Services and other technical assistance contractors.

Attachment 1: Sample of Survey



California Women, Children and Families

Technical Assistance Project

Technical Assistance Survey

Children and Family Futures has recently been awarded a contract by the State of California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs for the California Women, Children and Families Technical Assistance Project (CalWCF TA Project). CalWCF makes technical assistance and training available to providers, counties and other stakeholders in order to improve access to, and quality of, treatment services for women, including pregnant and parenting women and their children, with substance use disorders.

This survey gathers information regarding the technical assistance needs of agencies serving women, children and families. Your insights will help the Project to develop relevant technical assistance and training services. This information will be incorporated into our technical assistance plan and will help prioritize the delivery of technical assistance services. Results of this survey will remain confidential and will be reported in aggregate form. We will email tabulated results when all the responses have been received. Thank you for taking the time to complete this short survey.

If you would like to receive CalWCF information please complete the following:

Contact Information (optional)

Name: _____

Title: _____

Organization: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Mailing Address: _____

- I would like to join the listserv and receive periodic updates on current research or trends in women's services.**
- I would like to be a part of a network of women/men committed to women's AOD treatment.**
- I would like a technical assistance application.**
- I would like to receive a copy of the results of this survey.**

1. What is the geographic audience of your organization? (pick one)

- | | | |
|---|--|--------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Entire State | <input type="checkbox"/> Small County | <input type="checkbox"/> City |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Region/multiple counties | <input type="checkbox"/> Mid-Size County | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Large County | |

What county are you based in? _____

2. What is the primary focus of your organization?

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|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Program administration | <input type="checkbox"/> Health, public health or domestic violence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Substance use Treatment | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Welfare Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Research and Evaluation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CalWORKs, DPSS | <input type="checkbox"/> Community support services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Proposition 36/Drug Court/PPN | <input type="checkbox"/> Advocacy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile/Family Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prevention or Intervention Services | |

3. Who is primarily served by your organization?

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Women with substance use disorders | <input type="checkbox"/> Children, youth and families |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Women and men with substance use disorders | <input type="checkbox"/> Girls/adolescents at risk of substance use disorders |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Individuals with mental health problems | <input type="checkbox"/> Providers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pregnant women | <input type="checkbox"/> Women with Co-Occurring Substance Use and Mental Health Disorders |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pregnant and parenting women with substance use problems and their children | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

4. Is there a specific population that you primarily serve?

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Homeless | <input type="checkbox"/> Child Welfare Involved |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Incarcerated/formerly incarcerated | <input type="checkbox"/> Lesbian/Gay/Transgender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> African American | <input type="checkbox"/> Rural |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Latina/Hispanic | <input type="checkbox"/> Deaf/Hard of Hearing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asian/Pacific Islander/Filipino | <input type="checkbox"/> People with Disabilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Native American | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

5. In the questions that follow, please indicate your level of interest in accessing technical assistance and training in each of the topic areas.

Topic		Level Of Interest		
		Little or No Interest	Moderate Interest	High Interest
Practice and Clinical Issues				
1.	Integrating the Chronic Care Model into Current Treatment Practices	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	Implementing The Institute of Medicine Continuum of Care	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	Overview of Evidence Based Treatment Strategies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Screening and Intervention in Substance Use Disorders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.	Developing Culturally Competent Treatment Services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.	Designing Programs Relevant for Specific Populations of Women/Families (e.g., immigrants, racial/cultural groups, deaf/hard of hearing. (Please list what population in the other box below)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7.	Implementing Programs Relevant for Incarcerated Women and Parolees with Substance Use Problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8.	Motivational Interviewing and Other Effective Outreach and Intervention Strategies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9.	Addressing Methamphetamine Addiction Among Women and Families	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10.	Case Management Strategies for Counselors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11.	Assessing and Improving the Gender Responsiveness of Substance Use Services for Women and Families	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.	Improving Treatment Retention for Women	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13.	Working with Women with Co-Occurring Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14.	Working with Women with Co-Occurring Domestic Violence and Substance Use Disorders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15.	Creating a Trauma Informed Program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16.	Addressing the Needs of Geographically Isolated Women with Substance Use Disorders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17.	Gender Responsive Treatment for Women in Outpatient Settings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Children's Issues				
1.	Prenatal Substance Exposure, FASD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	Effects of Parental Substance Use on Child Development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	Residential Programs and Client Parenting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.	Family Treatment Models	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.	Identifying Collaborations and Funding for Therapeutic Services for Children	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.	The ABCs of Child Protective Services and the Dependency Court	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Management Issues				
1.	Reducing Systemic and Programmatic Barriers to Serving Families	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	Fund Development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	Board of Directors Training	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.	Organizational Development & Change Management	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.	Staffing Issues and Staff Training	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.	Automated Systems, Data collection and Outcomes, CalOMS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7.	Facility Issues (e.g. NIMBY, confidentiality, selection)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Collaboration/System Issues				
1.	Opportunities and Strategies for Working with Child Welfare: Mandates, Redesign and County Planning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	Collaborating to Prevent Prenatal Substance Exposure and FASD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	Sample MOUs, Policies and Procedures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.	Facilitation and Guidance to Support Cross-Systems Practices	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.	Program Design, Start Up, Licensing & Certification	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.	Overcoming Obstacles to Recovery: Housing Shortages	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7.	Overcoming Obstacles to Recovery: Poverty and Employment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8.	Addressing Community Challenges to Support Relapse Prevention	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9.	Developing Cross-System Measures of Effectiveness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10.	AOD Training for WIC, CalWORKs, Domestic Violence Providers, MCH, or Others Serving Women, Pregnant Women and Children	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11.	AOD Prevention, Mentoring and Intervention Strategies for Adolescent Girls	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

6. **In general, in learning about new programs, policies or procedures, how would you prefer this information be delivered to you? Please check all that apply.**

- Regional Training and Conferences
- Web Casts
- Web Based Tutorials
- On-Site Consultation (1-2 sessions on one topic)
- In-Depth Onsite Consultation (more than 2 session on one topic)
- Phone Consultation
- Checklists & Other Written Documents
- Breakthrough Series (on-going learning/change work groups)
- Written Updates on Current Research or Policy
- Listserv and/or Bulletin Board

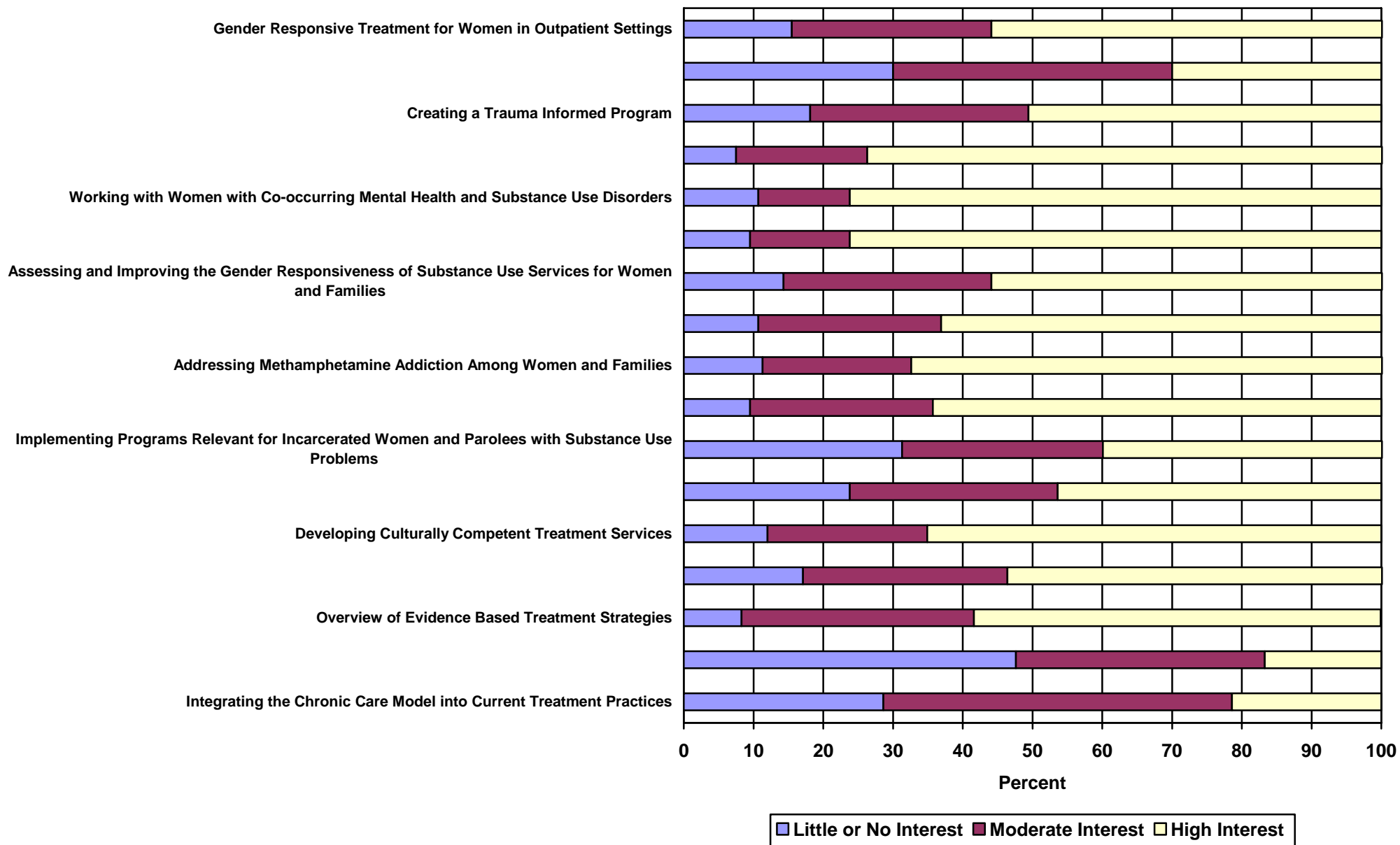
7. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

**Thank you for participating in this Needs Assessment.
Please return by fax to
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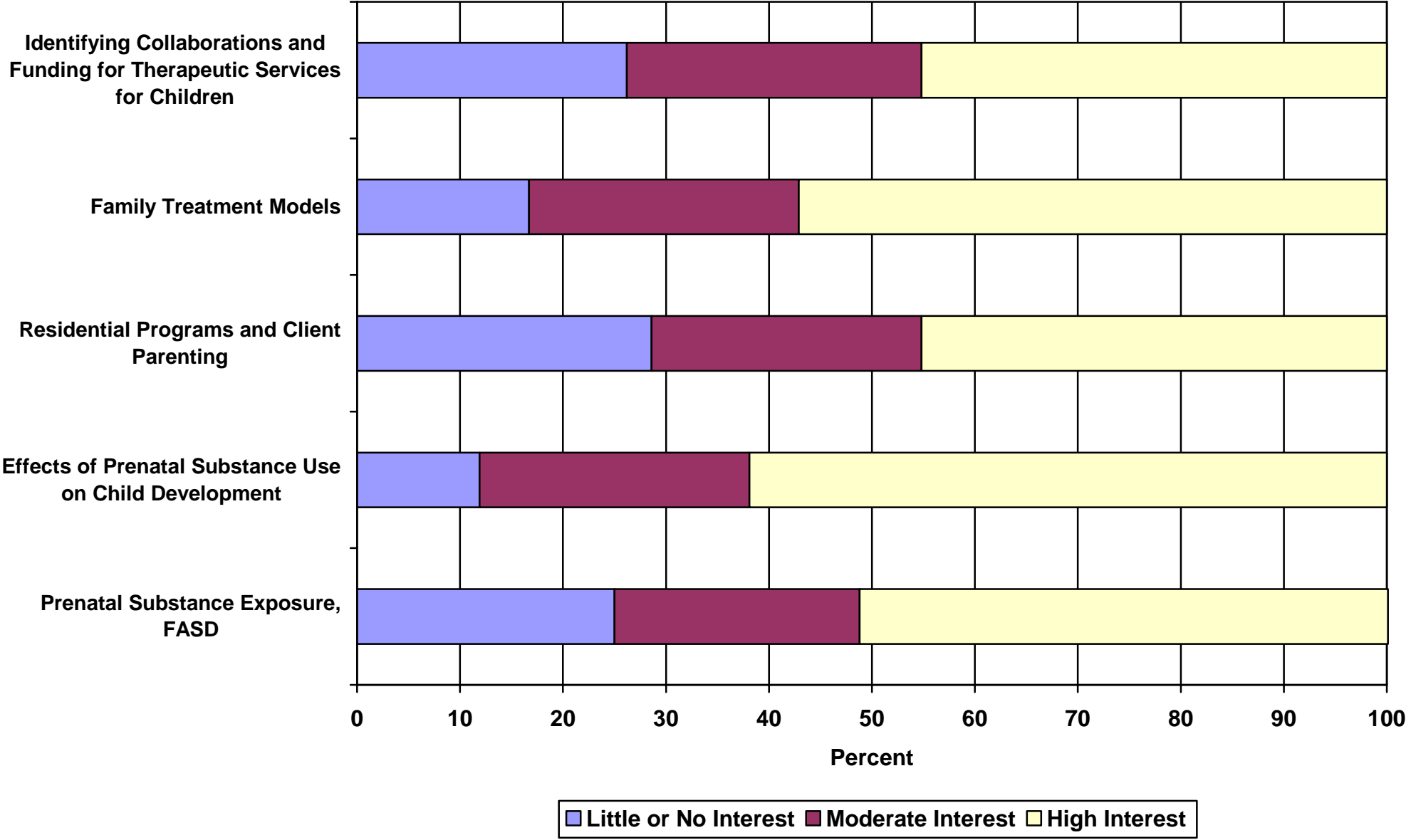
Attachment 2:

Detailed Figures on Frequency of Responses

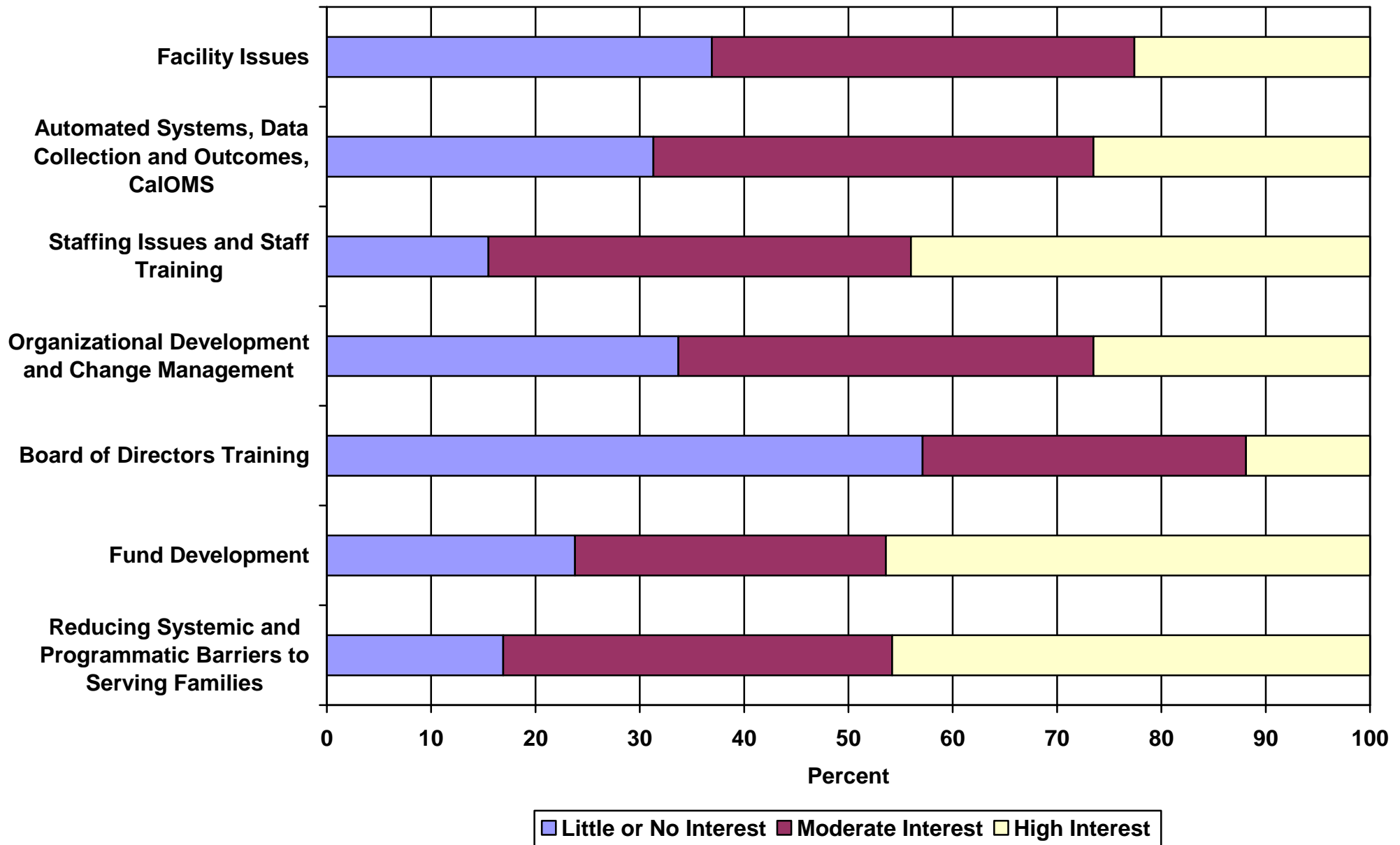
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