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Project: Professional Conference/Training

*****Below are excerpts from their final report*****

About the Project: Psychologist, Melissa Johnson (Licensure: Psychologist, Health Service Provider-Psychologist, North Carolina Psychology Board, License Number 0835,) conducted a six-hour workshop at Florence Crittenton Services for our clinical staff and other local agencies. Attendees received a copy of her presentation and research. The topic was "Practical Strategies for Supporting Teen Parents" (including finding and encouraging sources of strength and resiliency, communication strategies, dealing with the teens' own separation and growth issues and finding support in the community).

Successes: Workshop was well attended with 48 participants including the Crittenton clinical staff (20), Children's Home Society (3), Charlotte Mecklenburg School System (10), Youth Homes Inc. (6), DSS (1), Family Promise Charlotte (1), Teen Health (1), YWCA FT (1), and Carolina Health System (2). Evaluation comments include the following:

"I feel I have a greater understanding of teen parenting and ways to approach and handle situations."

"I plan to use the tips and tools and data...it will help strengthen outcomes."

"Very useful for a myriad of client challenges."

"Good content, good list of resources."

"A lot of practical applications."

