



# Family Partnership Institute

# What's Working

## Wraparound in California

## CDSS Integrated Services Unit

What Integrated Services Does for You

The **Integrated Services Unit** supports the program development of cross-systems models (such as Wraparound) administers demonstration projects that model collaboration at the State and local levels (Youth Pilot, SB 933, Waivers, etc.); provides leadership in the development of a consistent approach to the integration of child welfare with a critical array of family support services, including mental health, substance abuse treatment, employment, education, health, and the juvenile court (Mental Health Services Act). Currently, our primary focus is to work closely with various community groups, organizations, stakeholders and other California State Departments to advance the system, program and practice of the Wraparound approach. In addition we are tasked with providing or arranging technical assistance and training on a wide variety of related subject areas.

Here are some brief bios of the staff who work for you at CDSS.

**Cheryl Treadwell** - Wraparound Program Manager (916) 651-6600

My growth with the State has been tied to the evolving growth of Wraparound. I arrived in 1998 to California from the Missouri Dept. of Social to work on the IV-E Waiver which included Wraparound as an intervention. As State reorganizations go, I became the Manager responsible for program development. I am committed to the establishment of California Wraparound to ensure that it is clearly defined at all levels. I enjoy working with the counties and staff but most important I would like to see that all children in our system have access to Wraparound as an option.

I have three children, Elijah, age 12 (who has set his eye on working for the State someday), Zeric and Genesis, fraternal twins, age 24. Gen is in the Air Force and Zeric is a DD adult living in the most wonderful care home that fully supports his independence. I have a great team and I look forward to continuing our work in the State to build a strong California Wraparound model.

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### Upcoming Events

Contact Kathy Applegate 408-364-4144  
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#### November 2007

11/6-9 Training for Wraparound Trainers - Sacramento

11/20 Family Specialist Training - Butte County

#### April/May 2008

Training for Wraparound Trainers  
Los Angeles County, Sacramento County -  
(to be scheduled)

#### June 2008

6/12-14 Wraparound Institute

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**Connie Hamilton** (916) 657-3284 - Represents Counties: Alameda, Colusa, Kings, Los Angeles, Monterey, Nevada, Placer, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Cruz, Siskiyou, Solano, Stanislaus, Sutter, Tulare, Tuolumne, Ventura, Yuba.

My first experience with Wraparound was as the CDSS Fiscal Trainer. In March, 2006 I joined the Integrated Services Unit as a Wraparound Consultant. I believe that children and families are better served when we can provide supports and services to keep them together as a family unit. I find that Wraparound is the process that supports this belief.

My husband and I love to travel. My son is in the Navy and is stationed in Italy so it has become my favorite vacation spot. My daughter-in-law is Italian so we have a personal translator and travel guide. I also enjoy gardening, playing with the dog, and annoying the cat. I am a sports enthusiast. Some of my greatest family memories come from Candlestick Park watching the 49ers and the SF Giants.

**Patrick Keleher** (916) 651-6062 - Represents Counties: Amador, Contra Costa, El Dorado, Glenn, Inyo, Kern, Lake, Lassen, Mendocino, Modoc, Orange, Plumas, Riverside, San Francisco, Santa Clara, Sierra, Sonoma, Trinity, Yolo.

I was attracted to the Wraparound approach while still working for the California Department of Mental Health Children's System of Care Program. The compatibility of the two programs brought the two departments together regularly. The staff at CDSS were wonderful and successfully lured me over to Wraparound. This is my second time around with Wraparound. My first whirl was from late 1999 until 2002, when state budget cuts reassigned me to doing the Supportive and Therapeutic Options Program (STOP). In late 2005 I returned to Wraparound and took STOP along with me.

In my spare time I enjoy singing with the Sacramento Choral Society and Orchestra. I like playing my electronic keyboards, singing with friends and at care homes, watching college football games, good food, cooking shows, and reading a good mystery novel by the fireplace on cold rainy nights.

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**Caroline Prod** (916) 651-6194 - Represents Counties: Alpine, Butte, Calaveras, Del Norte, Fresno, Imperial, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Mono, Napa, Sacramento, San Benito, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara, Shasta, Tehama.

I have been a Wraparound Consultant since December, 2005. I was introduced to Wraparound as a result of my interest and involvement in the Mental Health Services Act. I have a strong interest in how children and families may be impacted by mental illness because my own mother is mentally ill. Wraparound offers an opportunity to help families stay together and overcome these challenges in an effective and meaningful way. I enjoy supporting a program like Wraparound because of the value it places on collaboration, community, and commitment. I really enjoy traveling across the State and working with so many different people.

Away from work I spend time participating in local MHSA activities. I am President of NAMI Sacramento, and I make jewelry. I was engaged in June (no date yet) and my fiancé and I enjoy traveling and anything else we can do together. I was asked to mention my favorite vacation spot, but I am not very good at choosing only one of anything. Among my favorite places are Bridgeport, California - a beautiful place where I've been camping for the Fourth of July week every year since 1974, and Carmel - where the sand is softer and whiter than on any beach, anywhere else.

**Brenda Usher** (916) 651-9021 - Represents: Humboldt, Marin, SB 933 Pilot, Canyon Oaks, AB 1881 Pilots, AB 2026 Pilots, ICC/Early Start.

I came to work for the Wraparound Program 2 years ago. I was accepted as an employee in Integrated Services and was introduced to Wraparound and the counties that use Wraparound. I find Wraparound rewarding. I think every family should have Wraparound fidelity occurrences in their family structure, whether they are in foster care or not. Understanding and knowing how to utilize Community Based Organizations and learning strength-based techniques to solve problems regarding at-risk situations, safety, and keeping life domains in tack, is key. I actually think of Wraparound as getting a Giant Loving Healing "Hug" from someone, especially when it is applied appropriately and the results of Wraparound meet the needs of the families.

I like socializing, going to concerts, dancing, and enjoying family and friends. My favorite vacation spots are touring the Midwest, Southern states and sunny California.

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