



Parents as Teachers™

PARENTS AS TEACHERS FIDELITY AND QUALITY ASSURANCE MECHANISMS

As an integral part of our 2011 enhancements, Parents as Teachers now provides even clearer guidelines for replication as well as newly developed mechanisms for establishing and maintaining model fidelity.

The Parents as Teachers Essential Requirements and Quality Assurance Guidelines represent the structural elements necessary for model fidelity and support the development and growth of a Parents as Teachers affiliate.

Annual Compliance Assessment and Affiliate Performance Report

Ongoing compliance with the essential requirements signifies that a Parents as Teachers affiliate can remain an affiliate with approval to implement the Parents as Teachers model. Existing affiliates report on compliance with the essential requirements annually via the Affiliate Performance Report (APR). Beginning with the 2010-2011 APR, a focused compliance assessment will be included as a core part of the

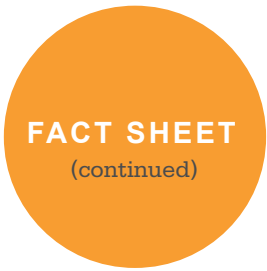
report submitted to the state and national office.

Affiliate Assessment

In addition to annual completion of the APR, affiliates engage in an expanded program assessment every fourth year, incorporating additional data, stakeholder input and documentation review to support the findings of their assessment. Both the focused annual compliance assessment and the comprehensive affiliate assessment yield action plans that help ensure high quality services to children and families. Together these resources for quality replication and fidelity to the Parents as Teachers model maximize the positive impact on children and families.

The existing Parents as Teachers quality standards and accompanying self-assessment guidelines will be revised as of July, 2011 so that they are more clearly aligned with the essential requirements and new data reporting expectations.

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Key Resources for Model Replication, Fidelity, and Quality Assurance

What is it?	What does it do?
Essential Requirements	Establish the programmatic elements necessary for model fidelity.
Quality Assurance (QA) Guidelines	Elaborate on the essential requirements, providing information on how to implement the requirements and providing guidance as new affiliates complete their Affiliate Plan.
Readiness Reflection	Provides an opportunity for reflection about organizational capacity, staffing, and community needs and relationships prior to completing the Affiliate Plan.
Affiliate Plan	Focuses on fulfillment of the essential requirements for new affiliates and is in a logic model format.
Model Implementation Guide (only available as a part of Model Implementation Training)	Incorporates the QA Guidelines, while providing additional implementation strategies and evidence-based practices that help each organization fully understand and bring to life a quality Parents as Teachers affiliate.
Best Practices	Include quality indicators that connect to continuous quality improvement and higher levels of excellence in serving families.
Core Competencies	Reflect knowledge and skills in five areas that inform and impact the relationship parent educators have with families. In addition to the five content areas, parent educators are expected to follow Parents as Teachers professional practice guidelines.

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