

Jamie's Jottings

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The first quarter of the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2010 will end on October 1. The second

MCH payment will be sent out and it will be about 12.5 percent of the MCH grant award.

This also means there are a couple of deadlines rapidly approaching:

- Form #7 the “Certified Affidavit of Revenues and Expenditures” is due. The local match amount must be equal to or greater than the minimum required match for the same period. MCH requires a 40 percent match.
- The MCH Client Satisfaction Survey Cards must be sent in for review. These are processed on a quarterly basis. The MCH Grant guidelines state that “Grantees will provide at least 20 percent of the families visited in the clinic or home setting with a client satisfaction survey card. The family com-

pletes the card and mails it to KDHE. Survey cards may be collected, bundled and sent via courier to KDHE prior to the end of each quarter in order to save postage. The survey card will be returned to the local health agency for program self-evaluation.”

The bad news is that we no longer have the courier available due to budget cuts. They can still be bundled but they cannot be sent via the courier anymore unless your agency subscribes to the courier service.

Be sure your SFY 2010 budget under the Travel line item includes enough allocation to attend the trainings and conferences as required by the MCH grant guidelines. This includes the Healthy Start Home Visitors to attend the Fall Regional Trainings and one state-wide conference. It's not too late to amend your SFY 2010 budget if you need to do so.

For more information on the MCH grant guidelines or web-based forms, visit www.kdheks.gov/doc_lib/index.html.

September is National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month

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Data based on the 2007 National Survey on Drug Use and Health, involving response from 22,187 persons aged 18 to 25; 17 percent of the young adults needed treatment for alcohol disorders in the past year. Eight percent of the young adults needed treatment for illicit drug disorders and 4 percent needed treatment for a combination of alcohol and illicit drug disorders.

The 2009 Recovery Month theme is “Join the Voices for Recovery: Together We Learn, Together We Heal.” The Recovery Month announcements direct people to SAMHSA/CSAT’s 24-hour information and treatment referral helpline, 1-800-662-HELP. They depict scenes of individuals struggling daily with alcohol or drugs who can regain their lives through addiction treatment.

For more information, visit www.recoverymonth.gov/ or www.samhsa.gov/newsroom/advisories/0906261345.aspx.