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TO: BPA Network SUD Treatment Providers

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SUBJECT: GAIN Local Trainer (LT) Training/Certification for up to 20 Qualified Professionals working for Network Treatment Providers

The Idaho Department of Health and Welfare (DHW), in collaboration with Chestnut Health Systems (CHS), is offering the opportunity for up to 20 Network Treatment Providers to have one of their qualified professionals certified as a GAIN Local Trainer (LT).

GAIN-I distance training is self-paced and individualized and includes a subsequent certification process. This LT training/certification process begins with a kick off call, followed by online training and quality assurance review leading to certification. GAIN administrations may be completed in GAIN ABS, or using the paper and pen version. All training takes place at the trainee's work station.

Participants must complete certification as a **GAIN Administrator** within a three (3) month deadline established by CHS and must complete certification as a **GAIN Local Trainer** within a six (6) month deadline established by CHS. All training, QA and coaching must be completed by June 30, 2014.

The standard charge per Local Trainer Certification for someone privately enrolling in this program is \$2,400. Through the collaboration, the cost is \$1,200.00 per LT. DHW is offering a 50/50 cost share with participating providers. The provider's out-of-pocket expense for this certification process is \$600 for each GAIN Local Trainer (including an additional GAIN Site Interviewer at no additional cost).

Please see Attachment 2 for a CHS description of the GAIN-I Distance Training and Certification process *provided by CHS*, and Attachment 3 for the GAIN Local Trainer Training/Certification Registration Form.

Since only 20 slots are available, priority will be given to individuals who work for agencies that do not currently have a GAIN Local Trainer. If more than 20 agencies are interested, then only one slot will be issued to each individual agency. These limits have been implemented in order to better diversify the treatment provider network and increase GAIN capacity statewide.