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To: Mid-Valley Board

From: Natalie Assell, Technical Assistant

RE: Annual Needs Assessment and professional development attendee summary

Attached you will find the data from the annual needs assessment summarized for the composite for the cooperative and individually by district. 566 individuals responded, consistent with prior years. Below is a table summary of the most frequently endorsed area for need based on the percent of respondent who indicated improved programming or services are warranted, as well as, respondent changes over time.

	2013-2014	2012-2013	2011-2012
Training and support for paraprofessional staff	53.6%	NA	NA
Enhanced instruction through technology	50%	56%	72.4%
Training and support for behavior management interventions and programs	46.7%	57.3%	83.4%
Programs that support parent education	44%	50.7%	78.2%
Wrap around services	40.5%	50.9%	70.1%

- From 2011-2012 to the 2012-2013, survey wording was changed to reflect improved programming or services (current) versus additional programming or services (2011-2012).

Areas of focus for shared professional development have been behavior change, job alike networking (psychology, social work, and transition), goals/progress monitoring/assessment, autism, Non-Violent Crisis Intervention, and legal compliance.