# FEEDBACK A Newsletter of the Child Medical Evaluation Program

#### **New Curriculum for Medical Aspects Training**

One of our missions here at CMEP is to coordinate and provide the Understanding the Medical Diagnosis of Child Abuse training to new social workers in the county DSS agencies. After many years with a tried and true curriculum we undertook an update. After listening to social workers critique the curriculum we realized we needed a more case based and interactive training. Sara Sinal, Beth Osbahr, Deb Flowers, Molly Berkoff and John Hughes worked on the update and the new training has been piloted for about 6 months. Reviews are good and the workers like being able to work on a case, decide a plan of action and then hear what the outcomes of the case were.

One of the exciting pieces of the curriculum is the interview section. Mark Everson has helped us develop a model of training that goes throughout the trainings required of the DSS social workers. Our section offers practice applications of the model developed by Mark.

After a few more presentations we will look at the feedback received from trainees, trainers and the state DSS and finalize the curriculum.

#### Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect in North Carolina by Janet Mason

Janet Mason is a retired professor of public law and government with a long history at the School of Government at UNC. She continues as an adjunct professor of public law and government to work on special projects in the area of juvenile law. Janet has just published the third edition of her book <u>Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect in North Carolina</u>. It is a useful reference for school personnel, mental health professionals, medical personnel, law enforcement officials, child care providers, and social workers. We encourage each of you to check this out.

A few copies are still available for free distribution. (Contact Janet Mason at <a href="mailto:mason@sog.unc.edu">mason@sog.unc.edu</a>.) The entire book can be accessed at no cost at <a href="http://www.sog.unc.edu/node/31116">http://www.sog.unc.edu/node/31116</a>.

#### **CMEP Webinars**

The remaining webinars are: April 22, May 27, June 24.

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