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Targeted MCH Oral Health Service System Grantees:

This is an **updated** request for your attendance at the first TOHSS Grantee Gathering, to be held in conjunction with the 2008 MCHB State Early Childhood Collaborative Systems Grantee Meeting, March 10 – 12, 2008, in Baltimore, Maryland. In keeping with requirements for grant approval and funding, up to two grant project staff are required to attend this meeting. The selected participants should be key to completing the project goals. Do know additional funding will be available to fund a third attendee. We ask that you identify a key stakeholder and or State champion that you have initiated a partnership with, who can learn as well as contribute to this year's grantee gathering.

Do know your attendance, while an opportunity to gather more logistics regarding the grant process, will also allow you to build synergy during the grantee sharing sessions. We expect this exchange will help you further develop strategies pertinent to achieving the goals you have set, as well as better understand the reporting requirements and other grant management logistics that continue to evolve here at HRSA. An agenda will be shared at a later date. Your participation is invited. I ask that those interested in participating in planning the agenda contact me (pvodicka@hrsa.gov); for those who can not, but wish to offer suggestions, please do so.

Please do not make hotel reservations at this time, as arrangements. Further information regarding hotel reservations, registration, and arrangements for the third attendee are still in progress. In the meantime, please save the dates for the meeting on your calendar and make appropriate arrangements for an absence from your local work environment.

Should you have further questions, please contact Pamella Vodicka (pvodicka@hrsa.gov or 301-443-2753) or me (mnehring@hrsa.gov or 301-443-3449).

Sincerely,

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