A question and answer session was held to allow community providers an opportunity to learn more about Evidence Based Treatment Initiative –Cohort VIII and the requirements to respond to the Request for Service Plan (RSP). This is a summary of the questions asked.

**Would the funds support loss of production and time to attend training?**
Yes

**Can we send more than 3 staff members to the training?**
Yes, if there is room in the training but the agency would have to absorb the cost.

**Is there anything that can be used as a reference regarding previous cohorts and what they have learned?**
Yes, the article is entitled: “Moving Science Into State Child and Adolescent Mental Health Systems: Illinois’s Evidence –Informed Practice Initiative”. “Journal of Clinical Child & Adolescent Psychology”, 43:2, 169-178. To link to this article: http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/15374416.2013.848772

**Will the client list be confidential?**
Yes, agencies will submit functional outcomes in DatStat. On the main page agencies will need to indicate the clinician serving the youth has participated in the EBTI by checking the evidence based certified box.

**What will the clinician be trained on?**
Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Parent Behavioral Therapy and Practice Wise.

**What does funding cover?**
Time, training, travel and loss of productivity
What if a client does not have Medicaid, can we still provide services to them?
Yes, contact Yolanda Linares and she will walk you through getting an account set up with DatStat: (yolanda.linares@illinois.gov)

What is the Professional Learning Community and what does it entail?
The Professional Learning Community is a peer support network of practitioners whose goal is to promote the long-term use of Evidence Based Practices. Professional Learning Communities will increase the social capital of providers. In addition, they provide booster sessions, ongoing support and a platform to train new staff, allowing for long-term sustainability of Evidence Based Practices across Illinois.

Have there been any concerns or problems that consumers experience in order to use these services?
No, there is statistically significant improvements in the cohort that have been treated by clinicians vs. those not treated.

What about the potential for challenges with consumers who have been enrolled in managed care programs and their services not being authorized for treatment?
We are awaiting a response from HFS/DCFS