**Boston University** School of Social Work Center for Innovation in Social Work & Health



# Introducing the National Network for Advancing Systems of Services for Children and Youth with Special **Health Care** Needs

#### **NETWORK CONTACT**

For general questions about the Network, or ideas for activities, please contact us at cyshcnnetwork@aap.org

In addition to the activities of the Network, each National Center will continue to provide its own TA/T on topics specific to its area of expertise. Please use the active weblinks above to connect with an individual National Center.

### **NETWORK OVERVIEW**

State Title V priorities and recent national data demonstrate a continued need to identify and provide technical assistance and training (TA/T) to advance the system of services for CYSHCN, specifically medical home, insurance adequacy, and health care transition for children and youth with special health care needs (CYSHCN). Each of these are vital to achieving quality care, decreasing health care costs, and improving the experience of care for CYSHCN and their families. Advancing systems of care for CYSHCN requires a coordinated approach, as progress on each individual component is dependent on the others. Establishing this Network is a direct response to this need.

## **NETWORK PARTNERS**

This new Network is made up of the Maternal and Child Health Bureau-funded National Resource Centers for medical home, insurance adequacy, and health care transition.

~National Resource Center for Patient/Family-Centered Medical Home based at the American Academy of Pediatrics

~Catalyst Center based at Boston University's Center for Innovation in Social Work & Health

~Got Transition based at The National Alliance to Advance Adolescent Health

Combining the resources and expertise of these three National Centers will enable more effective and efficient leveraging of TA/T resources and help address gaps and barriers from a systems and population health perspective.

#### **NETWORK ACTIVITIES**

In its first year, the Network will conduct a needs assessment in order to be directly responsive to the TA/T needs of Title V and associated stakeholders.

In subsequent years, TA/T activities that address cross-cutting issues and challenges will be offered. These may include webinars, issue briefs, learning communities, and more. Our work will be driven by the needs of Title V and its stakeholders.

