## NWF Health Network Policy & Procedure

**Series:** 1200: Training and Supervision

Policy Name: Continuing Professional Development

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## **Policy**

It is the policy of NWF Health Network (NWFHN), to support continuing professional development for all NWFHN personnel.

## **Procedure**

- A. NWFHN will provide opportunities for ongoing professional development through workshops, conferences, and in-service training courses offered and approved by NWFHN to corporate and case management agency staff.
- B. Trainings for professional development will assist staff in meeting the minimum annual continuing education hours.
- C. Training opportunities will enhance staff ability to effectively perform their job and to enhance ability for advancement.
- D. Annually, NWFHN will conduct a training needs assessment to gather input from all staff.
- E. NWFHN will regularly inform staff and network providers of upcoming training and learning opportunities, utilizing the NWFHN website, email and staff meetings.
- F. During annual reviews, NWFHN supervisors and staff will develop annual individualized Professional Development Plans which will be recorded on the annual review document.
- G. Expense reimbursement may be granted according to the availability of Staff Development Funds, utilized for training and development, which will assist NWFHN in meeting the needs of the Agency.
  - 1. Prior written approval must be obtained from the employee's supervisor for any training or development request.
- H. NWFHN employees are encouraged to participate in professional organizations that enable the individual to further enhance their standards of education and skill.