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Dear Agency Representative;

We at the Program in Aging and Developmental Disabilities (PADD), SCDD, University of Rochester Medical Center, are pleased to announce our 6-Part Webinar Series *Preparing your Agency for the Future: Aging and IDD* to begin January 2012 through June 2012.

We are aware that your agencies and organizations continue to experience major budgetary constraints and challenges. As we plan our activities, we are working to provide training through cost effective options. Our major focus has been to increase our Webinar training opportunities for agencies to send as many staff as they can without extensive travel and release costs to the agency.

The Level 1 Aging and IDD 6-Part Webinar Series mentioned above is designed to develop capacity within your agency on basic topics related to aging and IDD. Additionally, assignments will be given related to the development of that capacity over the 6 months to assist your agency in developing collaborations with other networks including the aging network, development of an aging committee, and ways to create an aging friendly environment. The PADD team will provide follow-up and recommendations specific to your agency. At the end of the 6 months, a training package will be provided to you including the power points presented in the 6 sessions, related handouts, resource suggestions, and a copy of each of the six webinars on a DVD.

Please see the attached schedule of topics with the date for each Webinar. Also attached is an order form to participate in this series. You will note that this is a very inexpensive opportunity given the long range potential for your agency.

We thank each of you for your commitment to the quality of life in older adults with IDD. Your advocacy has made a difference. We look forward to working with you over the first 6 months of 2012 to jointly create new opportunities for adults with IDD as they age.

Please feel free to contact Kate Nobis at 585-275-6604 or Kathryn_Nobis@URMC.Rochester.edu for further information and to register.

Sincerely,

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