



*The Connecticut Association for Infant Mental Health provides statewide opportunities to enhance knowledge and to promote a positive influence on the social emotional health and development of infants, young children and their families.*

## **Greetings from CT-Association for Infant Mental Health**

a professional organization to promote early childhood social emotional development

Dear CT AIMH Members:

It is time to renew your membership to Connecticut's only organization focused solely on infant, toddler, and preschool relationships and emotional regulation. Your membership renewal can be combined with registration for our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting/Workshop on April 30, 2008. The registration form is enclosed and is also posted on our web site: [www.ct-aimh.org](http://www.ct-aimh.org)

Dr. Judith Meyers, a strong advocate of infant/early childhood mental health and executive director of the Child Health and Development Institute (CHDI), was the recipient of our 2007 Jane C Bourn award. The call for 2008 nominations is enclosed and posted on our web site.

Our Fall 2007 conference was attended by 100 people who enthusiastically learned from our key-note speaker, Jean Kelly from the University of Washington, Promoting First relationships. Her power point is posted on our web site. People enjoyed our peaceful and attractive location at the Woodbridge Country Club. We are very appreciative to Building Blocks, a system of care for young children in southeastern CT, for making the document copies that attendees received.

The Board of Directors has set up four initiatives/committees and invites members to join us in this work: Public Awareness and Education, Professional and Research Promotion, Organization Development, and Policy and Strategic Planning. More information and contacts are on our web site.

A group of stakeholders that includes CT-AIMH Board members has begun to explore plans to bring an Infant/Early Childhood Mental Health credential to Connecticut.

We continue to work with our Pro Bono attorney to obtain a non-profit status and with CHDI to facilitate the network of early childhood mental health researchers.

Please renew your membership for 2008 that will give your reduced rates to our annual meeting and fall conference. We look forward to working with you.

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