



# Northern Region

## *Michigan Family Support Council*

### **33<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

The Northern Region in 2015 experienced another year of continued professional growth, offering what has become our annual training session in Traverse City. The number of registered participants this year reached 63, capping off five straight years of record setting attendance.

The Spring Conference was held on May 13, 2015 at the Hagerty Center. The Hagerty Center is an outstanding facility, voted #1 in the State outside of metro Detroit. The program started with Erin Frisch, leading a discussion on Central Office issues and a MiCSES update. Next on the agenda, was a session by Michael Grissinger on Case Closure. After that, Nancy Ruonavaara gave a presentation on Data Warehouse / Business Objects. This year we were treated to an outstanding Lunch Buffet featuring Hanger Steak and Pesto Parmesan Whitefish. After lunch, the program continued with a presentation by Paul Kaczor regarding the June MiCSES release. Finally, Kim Lubbers concluded the program with a presentation on MiChildSupport. This year's presentations were again, as always, excellent and very well received.

Amy Gilmore continues as the OCS rep. however, the FOC and PA rep positions remain vacant, and with my retirement, at the time of writing this, so does the President's position. Therefore, anyone interested in any of these positions is urged to contact Monica Morris-Moats to discuss this matter further.

Here's hoping this year's State conference is enjoyable as well as productive for you!

Respectfully,

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