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MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT FOR THE 2012 APPLICATION TO THE OCEAN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES GRANT LIFESKILLS TRAINING (LST)

Prevention First and Brick Township Public School District agree to the following terms for funding year January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012.

Prevention First, 1405 Highway 35, Ocean NJ 07712 will be the implementing agency for the evidence-based **LifeSkills Training (LST)** program for eighth graders at Veterans Memorial Middle School and Lake Riviera Middle School in Brick Township.

Goal: The goal of this project is to prevent middle school youth in grade 8, from engaging in antisocial and delinquent behavior, including violence and substance abuse which are pathways to delinquency.

Program: **LifeSkills Training (LST)** is an evidence-based prevention program which offers a comprehensive approach to reducing youth substance abuse and violence in schools and communities on multiple levels. Implementation of this program will help the youth to resist drugs, alcohol, and tobacco use and in addition the **Life Skills Training Middle School** program will also effectively help to reduce violence and other high-risk behaviors.

Prevention First (PF) agrees to provide the following services to Veterans Memorial Middle School and Lake Riviera Middle School

1. One staff presentation/grade level meeting for 8th grade teachers, administrators, and counseling staff prior to the start of the **LST** program.
2. PF will implement the 8 session **LST** curriculum 8th grade classes in Memorial Middle School. Each child will receive an **LST** workbook.
3. Parent newsletters will be sent home weekly, offering tools that students learned and to practice at home.
4. A 4-session **LST** Parent Program will be offered to the district during the program cycle.
5. PF will provide evaluation instruments to all participants.

Veterans Memorial Middle School (VMMS) and Lake Riviera Middle School (LRMS) agrees to provide the following services in collaboration with Prevention First:

1. **(VMMS) and (LRMS)** will work cooperatively with PF in the implementation of **LST** by promoting and supporting the program in the middle school, scheduling time for one-hour classroom sessions per class.
2. **(VMMS) and (LRMS)** teachers will work cooperatively with PF to identify parents for the **LST** Parent Program.
3. **(VMMS) and (LRMS)** will participate in pre/post surveys and program evaluation.

This Memorandum of Agreement is subject to the approval of the Brick Township Board of Education.

For Prevention First:

Name: Mary Pat Angelini

Title: Executive Director, CEO

Signature: _____

Date: September 27, 2011

For Brick Township Public Schools

Name: Walter J. Hrycenko

Title: Superintendent of Schools

Signature: _____

Date: _____