Meeting Highlights
December 4, 2009—Madison, WI
Southern Regional Team on ASD and other Developmental Disabilities

Purpose of the Southern Regional Team (SRT) on ASD/DD
1. Use facilitated resource mapping strategy to identify resources to support children and youth with autism spectrum disorders and their families in the southern region of WI
2. Build connections and strengthen collaborative opportunities among partners on this team
3. Improve families’, SRT partners’, and others’ access to information about these resources in the southern region of WI

December 4th Meeting Objective
Building on work from our September 11th meeting, we will refine our list of key resources that support children and youth with autism spectrum disorders and their families to add further detail and highlight those resources which are actually currently available. We will continue to work toward creating a tangible resource listing of resources available in the southern region of WI (service area of the Southern Regional Center for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs.)

We’re Making Connections!
- Team members in attendance shared information about upcoming events and work. A couple of highlights are:
  - Bill Helm & Molly Immendorf shared that Day with the Experts will be on January 30th, 2010. Visit the ASGM or Waisman Center websites in January for details!
  - Glenis Benson shared that Camp AweSum (www.campawesum.org) registration opens January 1st. Be prepared to register right away, because spots fill immediately!
- The Southern Regional Center is available to provide information, resource, and referral support to families. We are always happy to share our brochures with you so you can share them with families you work with. Give us a call at 1-800-532-3321 to request brochures.
- The Educational Partnerships division of Imagine a Child’s Capacity is sharing CDC “Learn the Signs. Act Early” materials with child care professionals who they reach through trainings. CDC offers these materials for free, so check out what they offer for parents, child care professionals, and health care providers at www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/actearly.
- Dr. Glenis Benson expressed interest in the opportunity to integrate “Learn the Signs. Act Early.” and community resource information into her training and outreach. Gail will be following up with Glenis about this opportunity.
- Mary Muscholt expressed interest in outreach to Spanish speaking families. Gail will follow up to connect Mary, Sandy Magana, Pilar Guzman, and Liz Hecht around this possible area of shared interest.
- Nancy Alar and the Southern Regional Center are setting up a ‘community conversation’ in February or March with the AUSome social group, so the group members can share their perspectives on what resources they care about.

NEXT STEPS:
- Plan to attend our next Regional Team meeting on March 12th, 9-12pm followed by an optional networking lunch.
- When you make a new connection or start a collaborative effort because of your involvement in the SRT on ASD/DD, make note of it! We’ll share these at each meeting.
- Bring resources and announcements you want to share to the upcoming Regional Team meetings.
- Register for sharedwork.org:

  www.sharedwork.org
- We now have our group set up on www.sharedwork.org! See the handout for instructions on how to sign up. We posted meetings notes, resource directories, and some other materials as shared documents.