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Sent on Behalf of DES/DDD Sonoran UCEDD:I-AAPAPT Workshop

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TOPIC: Free Provider Training provided by Sonoran UCEDD Dementia Capable Care

Target Audience – Qualified Vendors

Did you know there is a genetic connection between Down syndrome and Alzheimer's disease? Adults with Down syndrome have an increased risk of developing Alzheimer's as they grow older.

- Some estimates suggest that 30% or more of people with Down syndrome who are in their 50's have Alzheimer's disease.
- By the time people with Down syndrome reach their 60's, 50% or more will develop this devastating disease.
- The chances of someone with Down syndrome developing Alzheimer's is estimated to be three to five times greater than the general population.

In light of the above statistics, the Sonoran UCEDD, the Alzheimer's Association (Desert Southwest Chapter), along with a grant from the Arizona Attorney General's Office, is addressing the unmet needs of this specific population through education and training. This training is being provided to families, service providers, DDD Support Coordinators, medical professionals and you!

Please see the attached flyer for upcoming free training provided by Sonoran UCEDD. The sessions welcome family/caregivers or service providers.

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Thank you!