

Congratulations Graduates!

Commencement Ceremonies for the Abuse and Neglect Investigator Training took place on February 28, 2008 at the Department of Public Safety Forensic Laboratory, in Meriden, CT.

Commissioner Peter H. O'Meara presented the candidates with their certificates with the support of Captain Michael Woodson, DDS Director of Investigations, Mark Dysart, Special Investigative Assistant and Nancy McClure, Special Investigator. Participants attended a three-day intensive program. Topics included: Investigations Statutes and Policies Overview, The Interview Process, Preparing for and Conducting an Investigation, and Completing an Investigative Report.

Special thanks to DDS Division of Investigations staff for delivering such an exciting program! DDS instructors included: Captain Michael Woodson, Director; Kendres Lally, Lead Investigator; Marlene Fein, Lead Investigator; Kevin Macnamara, Lead Investigator; Leigh Ann Torres, Lead Investigator; Thomas Habib, Lead Special Investigator; Robert Moylan, Lead Special Investigator; Joseph Innamorato, Lead Special Investigator; Greg Brigandi, Lead Special Investigator; Sandy Barbieri, Nurse Investigator; Nancy McClure, Special Investigator and Mark Dysart, Special Investigative Assistant.

Candidates for the Abuse and Neglect Investigator Training

New investigators included participants from both the private and public sectors of Connecticut and Mr. Frank Nahlik, Director of Investigations and Enforcement, Washington, D.C.



Frank Nahlik and Commissioner O'Meara

Participants included: Susan Paul, Dawne Recinos, Karla Nation, Darrin Bond, Debbie Mattias, Amy Helie, Leonard Cippolone, Cee Cee Fassbender all from DDS South Region; Karen Allen from DDS North Region; Sherry Young from Resources for Human Development; Desiree Perez and Julie Cirrito from Mosaic; Brian Kukevich from Turning Leaf Agency; Shanique Fenlator from Catholic Family Services; Robert Heller from Community Options of CT; Lori La Salle from Sunrise Northeast; Mary Lou Verrette from Northeast Placement Services, Inc.; Shawn Ryan from CW Resources; Mary Moriarity from HARC; Claude McBeth from Alternatives, Inc.; Marie Farina from The Kennedy Center; Christine Granja from Easter Seals CT, Inc.; Tearsha Askew from Greenwich ARC; Chris Guman from Employment Options; Lisa Parille from STAR, Inc.; Susan Desrochers from Corporation for Public Management. Victoria LeVasseur from Family Options; Adrienne Demand from Continuum of Care, Inc.; Britta Trickey from New Foundations, Inc.; and Jonathan Lambert from Network, Inc.

