

CUMBERLAND COUNTY STAFF RECOGNITION AWARD

2015 was a year of great change in Cumberland County. Southern NJ Perinatal Cooperative was pleased to have two Bilingual Service Coordinators, Marly Rodriguez and Elaina Rodriguez join the team with Cathy Villanueva, Service Coordinator and Aileen McCullough, Lead Service Coordinator. There is a large population of Spanish speaking families with children in Cumberland County that are receiving Early Intervention Services, so to have the full complement of language availability, was a great success.

Both Marly and Elaina enjoyed working very much in the Early Intervention program but left to pursue personal and independent goals of which they were encouraged and wished the very best! Cathy Villanueva did a **tremendous** job of working alongside LSC, Aileen McCullough to ensure that the flow of communication and collaboration with our partnering agencies: Inspira, St. John of God, Shirley Eves, Salem County Special Services School District, Rowan and Sunny Days to prevent any lapses in the delivery of Early Intervention Services for our children and families. SNJPC was then able to welcome Jennie Nelson who did have previous Early Intervention experience and displayed an interest in the Service Coordinator position and joined the Cumberland team in July. Both Cathy and Jennie have worked in Early Intervention as Developmental Intervention practitioners so their commitment to serving children from birth to 3 and offering assistance of support for families is clearly evident.

Diana Comby joined the Cumberland Service Coordinator unit in November and arrived with enthusiasm to be the full complement for the team. The SNJPC SCU Cumberland County team is a group of strong individuals each possessing exemplary capabilities that blend well for the delivery of appropriate service(s) to our children and families. Our partnering agency administrators consistently remark on the dedication of the SCU staff for the benefit of children and families in Cumberland County. It is with great pleasure that SNJPC staff accept this recognition with intention to work in unified collaboration for the benefit of children and families in Cumberland County.

