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PCLT selected to present at the 2012 National Mentoring Summit

We are pleased to announce that PCLT has been selected to present a workshop at the 2012 National Mentoring Summit to be held January 24-25, 2012 in Washington, D.C. The theme for this year's summit is *Invest in the Future: Mentor a Child*, which captures the long-term benefits for young people, their mentors and their communities that an investment in quality mentoring can offer.

The workshop, entitled *School-Based Mentoring Models*, will be co-presented by Dr. Sherry Barr, PCLT's Vice President, and Dr. Margo Ross, PCLT's Senior Director of Development. The workshop will present a peer-to-peer group mentoring model, known as Peer Group Connection (PGC), that has provided hundreds of high schools across the country with a straightforward, cost-effective, and evidence-based model for enhancing school connectedness and easing the transition into high school for 9th graders.

This engaging and interactive 90-minute presentation will result in workshop participants who are able to: articulate why feeling connected to school leads to fewer dropouts, higher grades, and reduced bullying; appreciate the significant need to focus on the middle school to high school transition in efforts to improve students' sense of school connectedness; and understand the strategies and actions of an evidence-based peer group mentoring model that enhances school connectedness for students and eases the transition into high school for 9th graders.

The second annual National Mentoring Summit will build on the overwhelming success of the inaugural Summit of 2011. MENTOR, Big Brothers Big Sisters of America, the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS), the Harvard School of Public Health, the U.S. Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, and United Way Worldwide will once again bring together major youth mentoring organizations, along with government, civic, research and corporate leaders, to evaluate best practices, review new research, chart the field's future, and fundamentally ensure that more youth receive quality mentoring.

For more information or to register for the event, please visit http://www.mentoring.org/program_resources/training_and_events/national_mentoring_summit