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SPIN[®]USA to Partner with Leading Rhode Island Child Welfare Organizations in Developing Innovative Parent Visitation Center

SPIN[®] to train staff of Nina's House to improve assessment and outcomes of parent visitation sessions

Lexington, Massachusetts, August 4, 2008 – SPIN[®]USA, a leading nonprofit national training institute working with child welfare agencies to improve outcomes for children and families, today announced that it is partnering with a consortium of child welfare organizations in Rhode Island to provide staff training and development for an innovative parent visitation center, Nina's House, located on the Rhode Island College campus in Providence, Rhode Island.

Nina's House is a collaborative program between the Rhode Island College Child Welfare Institute and the School of Social Work, the Rhode Island Department of Children, Youth and Families (DCYF), and the Nina Foundation, a nonprofit organization that helps children and families who are impacted by abuse and neglect. Nina's House will incorporate SPIN USA's powerful, strength-based family support model into its programs and services to improve the parenting and relational skills that families need for children to be permanently returned to their care.

"Nina's House brings together leading child welfare organizations to develop an innovative program aimed at improving the outcomes for our most vulnerable families and children," said Tonya Glantz, clinical training specialist at the Rhode Island College Child Welfare Institute. "SPIN USA's mission and methodology are perfectly aligned with our goals and we look forward to working with an organization long recognized as an innovator in delivering programs that help achieve sustained outcomes for families and children."

"Nina's House represents an innovative partnership approach that provides child welfare professionals with the facility and 'best-practice' models they need to ensure the best possible outcomes for the vulnerable children and families they serve," said Jane Nestel-Patt, President and CEO of SPIN USA. "We are pleased to be working with Nina's House and the entire collaboration of organizations to support this program."

About SPIN[®]USA

SPIN[®]USA, Inc. is a nonprofit national training institute whose mission is to strengthen schools and child welfare institutions. We provide coaching and training at the executive, supervisory and direct service levels to strengthen leadership, programs, services, and professional practice so that outcomes for children and families improve. SPIN USA's strengths-based training methodology is being used by leading public and private child welfare organizations throughout the country. For more information about SPIN[®]USA visit www.spinusa.org.

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