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Dear Ray Hannah,

The Lacloche Area Service Provider Network would like to thank Manitoulin – Sudbury District Services Board for providing funding for our Celebrating Families Event that took place December 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2011. During this Event we had the wonderful opportunity to bring a great motivational speaker, Barbara Coloroso to speak to service providers and parents as well as bring the local Service Providers together with information about services for families during our Family Fun Fair.

Providers experienced workshop packed with solid practical advice on how to use the stuff of everyday life to teach children to act with integrity, civility, and compassion. Beginning with the idea that it is in us to care, that we are born with an innate capacity for compassion, Barbara Coloroso showed professionals, educators, and parents how to nurture and guide children's ethical lives from toddlerhood through the teen years using everyday situations at home, at school, in social settings, and in the world at large.

Parents experienced an evening packed with solid practical advice for parents of children from toddlers to teenagers, that shows how to utilize the very stuff of family life—chores, mealtime, sibling rivalry, toilet training, bedtime, allowances and more—to create a home environment in which children can become self-disciplined, compassionate, responsible, resourceful, resilient human beings who can act in their own best interest, stand up for themselves and exercise their own rights while respecting the rights and legitimate needs of others. Barbara discussed the keys to good parenting: treating kids with respect; giving them a sense of positive power in their own lives; giving them opportunities to make decisions, take responsibility for their actions and learn from their successes and mistakes.

This event truly made a difference in the lives of those who attended, in one way or another. We appreciate this partnership and look forward to providing the community with other opportunities in the future.

Yours Sincerely,

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