New website, new protocols/activities redesign, and new protocols for summer open training!

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I hope by this point you haven’t equated our mentions of the upcoming website and materials redesign with that famous boy who cried wolf. It turns out that completely overhauling, rewriting, redesigning, and re-architecting a complex website, incorporating a substantial membership and emailing database behind it, while simultaneously rewriting and redesigning a boatload of printed materials, along with all the everyday work that continues to grow and multiply ... let’s just say that, like natural childbirth, the process can take much longer than one anticipates. One can easily confuse Braxton-Hicks contractions with actual labor, and once labor starts, there’s no turning back, no matter how many hours (months, in our case) it takes to birth this baby! Plus, doing all of this with a shifting team of university student informatics interns, one that shuffles members at each semester break, adds another layer of complexity we didn’t imagine. (Is that like giving birth at a teaching hospital? Maybe.)

I’d like to think that within a few days of your reading this newsletter, the website will be launched, but I’m knocking on wood for luck even as I type that line. If you received a strange email in the last week or so, forgive us, and please ignore it: the website testing process has also been a bit bumpy.

That said, we’re also preparing for this autumn’s Open Training of New Critical Friends Group® Coaches (see below), and we’ll definitely be incorporating fresh new materials in that cohort. By then, we may have published our new CFG™ Starter’s Manual. So if you’ve been looking for a good excuse to sign up for training, consider this the sign you’ve been waiting for. Click the link below or call us to enroll, and you’ll get your hands on protocols and activities that look like this (but life-size!)

Is it time for you to put these ideas into action?

NSRF® Critical Friends Group® Coaches Open Training Oct. 10-13

Bloomington, Indiana, $795 for five days’ training
(On Oct. 13, the group will decide when to return for the last two days.)

Visit the NSRF® website or call 812-330-2702 to enroll.

“After a week of this training I feel we now have more tools to improve meetings, communication and the community at [my] school. Thank you so much.” -- A new CFG coach from Wisconsin

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