

FOSTER PARENT NEWS

DCS TRAINING NEWSLETTER

Parents!

We need your input for future

FOSTER PARENT CONFERENCES.

Click [HERE](#) to tell us how you are ready to learn!

There are approximately 400 children and youth who are in full guardianship and in need of permanent families throughout Tennessee.

Please consider whether you could be the answer to a young person's longing for a forever home.

Click here to visit ParentAChild.org

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Online Trainings

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Foster Parent Training Resources

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CALENDAR OF LIVE TRAININGS

Regional Foster Parent Support Group
Co-Regulation

East - January 24, 5:30-7:30pm EST
Middle - January 9, 5:30-7:30pm CST
West - January 23, 5:30-7:30pm CST

Interested in becoming an assessment home?
Click here for details

Regional Foster Parent Support Group
Parental Attachment Styles

East - February 9, 5:30-7:30pm EST
Middle - February 21, 5:30-7:30pm CST
West - February 28, 5:30-7:30pm CST

January 19, 2023
1:00 - 2:30 pm CST

January is Human Trafficking Prevention Month! Join Grow Free TN with Community Coalition Against Human Trafficking. What the Child Welfare Community Needs to Know about Human Trafficking in Tennessee.

ONLINE TRAINING

DCS PRACTICE MODEL INTRODUCTION

*30 minutes of training credit

AIMHiTN

Seeing the Unseen: How can we best support young children and their families who are experiencing homelessness?

Date: Thursday, January 26, 2023
Time: 9:00 am - 11:00 am CST
10:00 am - 12:00 pm EST
Presenter: Sarah Vrabic

VIDEO Of the Month
Click HERE

Practice Model
Rebecca Bevans

Building Strong Brains

Available Class Options:

January 27 • March 31
February 24 • April 28

*Worth 2 Hours of Training Credit
*Fulfills Trauma Training Credit

Click [HERE](#) for more details!

The DCS Practice Model
A Road Map To Success

Why We Do It
the DCS Training Team!

February Calendar

Click the links below to register

- 1/19 - [Creating Normalcy Through Prudent Parenting](#)
- 1/19 - [What We Need to Know about Human Trafficking in Tennessee](#)
- 1/26 - [Foundations of TBRI - Connecting](#)
- 2/2 - [Caring for the Child with Special Needs](#)
- 2/4 - [Trauma Informed Parenting Strategies \(T.I.P.S.\)](#)
- 2/7 - [Foundations of TBRI - Empowering](#)
- 2/7 - [Celebrating African American History Month](#)
- 2/9 - [Celebrating African American History Month](#)
- 2/13 - [Your Money Your Goals](#)
- 2/16 - [CANS](#)
- 2/16 - [Creating Normalcy Through Prudent Parenting](#)
- 2/21 - [Be the One](#)
- 2/23 - [Foundations of TBRI - Correcting](#)
- 2/23 - [Intro to Understanding & Addressing Challenging Behaviors](#)
- 2/27 - [Understanding & Responding to Developmental Trauma \(Birth-4\)](#)
- 2/27 - [Loving and Letting Go](#)
- 3/2 - [Building Strong Brains](#)
- 3/6 - [Cultural Awareness](#)
- 3/14 - [8 Strategies that Help Challenging Behaviors](#)

Shianne Newell

Office of Training and Professional Development
- Foster Parent Trainer

I became a trainer because I wanted to be in a position where I could mentor and educate parents on what it looks like to parent a child from the child welfare system.

I want to teach foster parents because there is so much information that many parents do not know about, and in this role I prepare parents to be in a better position to where they feel confident about caring for a child from the child welfare system.

Working amongst individuals who continually motivate and inspire make all the difference. I make a positive impact with my work by knowing that we are helping to prepare parents to provide loving and stable environments for our children in care.

“Anyone who does anything to help a child in his life is a hero.”

- Mr. Fred Rogers

Upcoming Classes

Celebrating African American History Month with Children

February 7, 2023 - 11:00am - 12:30pm CST
February 9, 2023 - 5:30pm - 7:00pm CST

Click [HERE](#) for more details!

HAIR CARE FOR BLACK AND MULTICULTURAL CHILDREN

CLICK HERE

SCHEDULE

DATES: 3 consecutive Saturdays: February 4th, February 11th and February 18th

Time: 9:00am-2:30pm CST/10:00am-3:30pm EST

LOCATION: Zoom

COURSE ID: CHR220222

REGISTRATION: Please contact Loretta at 731-613-5294

NAMI Basics Class is for any parent or caregiver of a child or adolescent with a mental health condition. Foster parents completing the classes will receive up to 15-Hours of training credit and will receive credit for any training class attended.

This class will offer trauma and therapeutic training credit.

The class will run for on consecutive Tuesdays and Thursdays during the morning hours for 3 weeks. If you are interested in NAMI Basics and cannot take the next class, contact NAMI to be placed on the waiting list for future classes.

Contact: Loretta at 731-613-5294 with questions and for registration.

Tennessee Resources

Map

CLICK HERE

February 23, 2023

Start Time - 5:30 pm CST / 6:30 pm EST

*1.5 hours training credit

CLICK HERE

Regional Intervention Program: Introduction to Understanding and Addressing Challenging Behaviors in Children

WHAT IS S.A.D.

CLICK HERE

Seasonal Affectiveness Disorder

March 14, 2023

Start Time - 5:30 pm CST / 6:30 pm EST

*1.5 hours training credit

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Regional Intervention Program: Eight Strategies that Help Challenging Behaviors in Children

23rd National Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect

APRIL 11-13 AND APRIL 18-20, 2023

Virtual 23rd NCCAN

March 23, 2023

Start Time - 11:00 am CST / 12:00 pm EST

*1.5 hours training credit

CLICK HERE

Tennessee Homeless Education Program: Information and Resources for Children Experiencing Homelessness

23rd National Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect: Moving from the Challenge to the Change

CLICK HERE

May 16, 2023

Start Time - 5:30 pm CST / 6:30 pm EST

*1.5 hours training credit

CLICK HERE

Regional Intervention Program: CARE (Child-Adult Relationship Enhancement)

BlueCare Tennessee

We're Right Here

1-888-422-2963
Resource (Foster) Parents Line

OTHER NUMBERS

- Talk to a Nurse 24/7 1-800-262-2873
- Dental Care 1-855-418-1622
- Prescription Help 1-888-816-1680
- TennCare Connect 1-855-259-0701
- Foster Parent DCS Helpline 1-877-327-5437
- Mental Health Crisis Hotline 1-855-274-7471
- Child Abuse Hotline 1-877-237-0004

TN Department of **Children's Services**

Office of Training and Professional Development

HELPFUL LINKS

- [Foster Parent Training](#)
- [Training Calendar](#)
- [Online Training](#)
- [Self-Care](#)
- [DCS Talks Podcast](#)
- [Child Welfare Resources](#)
- [Regional Training Contact](#)
- [DCS Listens Registration](#)
- [Birth Children Resources](#)
- [Unsung Hero of the Month](#)