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Division of Children and Family Services

FOSTER, ADOPTIVE AND KINSHIP CAREGIVERS' TRAINING SCHEDULE

NORTH CENTRAL OHIO REGIONAL TRAINING CENTER



SPRING 2017

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The OCWTP is a cooperative effort of the *Ohio Department of Job and Family Services*, the *Public Children Services Association of Ohio*, the *Institute for Human Services*, and eight *Regional Training Centers (RTCs)*. Funding for the program is provided by the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services.

The Regional Training Centers are hosted by public children services agencies in the following counties:

Central Ohio Regional Training Center	<i>Franklin County CSB</i>	614-278-5909
East Central Ohio Regional Training Center	<i>Guernsey County CSB</i>	740-432-2355
North Central Ohio Regional Training Center	<i>Cuyahoga County DCFS</i>	216-881-5667
Northeast Ohio Regional Training Center	<i>Summit County CSB</i>	330-379-1805
Northwest Ohio Regional Training Center	<i>Lucas County CSB</i>	419-213-3506
Southeast Ohio Regional Training Center	<i>Athens County CSB</i>	740-592-3061
Southwest Ohio Regional Training Center	<i>Butler County JFS</i>	513-248-1269
Western Ohio Regional Training Center	<i>Greene County CSB</i>	937-427-4540

The North Central Ohio Regional Training Center serves child welfare staff in Cuyahoga County.

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SAVE THE DATES!

Sponsored by the OCWTP
Co-Sponsored by NCORTC and CCDCFS
13th Annual Caregiver Training Conference
May 18 - 20, 2017
Crowne Plaza Cleveland South Hotel

**Come join us for an fun and exciting
weekend of learning and networking!!**



**Look for more information in
the upcoming months.**

The **TOP** Assessment Tool: Info for Foster Parents

WE NEED YOU!

Starting January 1, 2014, *all* children (age 3 and up) in out-of-home care will receive regular **TOP** assessments

PLEASE PARTICIPATE

The child's caseworker will invite you to fill out the **TOP** tool, an easy-to-use questionnaire that collects multiple points of view on the child

TOP allows DCFS to track how children are doing and provide better services

Ask the child's caseworker for **TOP** feedback to help improve care for your child

Learn more about your foster child

powered by
Outcome Referrals

Our kids deserve the best possible care, but where can we turn when we need more information than was in the instruction manual?

Just in Time Training

“Training you need, when and where you need it.”

About the Program

Just in Time Training is a web based service program designed to connect all caregivers, foster, biological, adoptive and kinship, with training, peer experts and other resources, all from the comfort of their home or office. Questions are answered and practical solutions to care for children are discussed. It's also completely free!

Service Features

- Request Training
- On-Demand Training Videos
- Keeping You Informed
- Document Resources

www.qpicuyahoga.org



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Quality Parenting Initiative

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Online Training Opportunity

Are you interested in earning training credit hours in the convenience of your own home? With the Resource Management department approval, you can earn training credits on-line. You must follow our agency's policy on the number of hours you can earn so please contact Eddie Lebron to find out the Guidelines established by our agency.



www.fosterparentcollege.com is an on-line training program for foster, adoptive, kinship, and birth families. These interactive courses provide valuable information, insights, and advice from experts on dealing with serious child behavior problems. There are two types of courses that are available:

1. Instructor Led - these courses are more in-depth and allows for interaction between on-line participants and the instructor. The length of this course is several hours over the period of 3 weeks. Completion of this course is worth (six) training hours. During these workshops participants will use a discussion board and at the end they will complete a questionnaire, complete assigned exercises and email their completed assignment. (Not all counties can participate in this course)
2. Self-Directed - these courses are focused on a specific behavioral problem or emotional disorder. Self-Directed means that participants can complete the activities at their own pace as long as it is completed within 30 days. The length of a session will take about two hours and will provide two hours of training credit. The discussion board is optional in this course.

Please contact Nefertiti McKinney at (216) 881-4048 to register or if you have any questions. At this time Training Units are assigned on a first come first serve basis, and is subject to change after review of the response to this program.

EXCITING NEWS!



The Training and Professional Development teams of Cuyahoga County Health and Human Services are being consolidated at the Westshore Neighborhood Family Service Center at 9830 Lorain Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44102

This revamped facility will provide a convenient, central location for all training related activities.





TRAINING SITES

FOR 2017 !!!

Beginning January 2017, the North Central Ohio Regional Training Center proudly announces the offering of ongoing foster parent training classes at several new locations.

The new Eastside locations are conveniently located at:

[Adoption Network](#) at 4614 Prospect Ave., Suite 550, Cleveland, Ohio, 44115

[Beachwood Public Library](#) at 25501 Shaker Blvd., Beachwood, Ohio 44122

[Cleveland Heights Public Library](#) at 2345 Lee Road, Cleveland Heights, Ohio, 44118

[Fairfax Neighborhood Family Service Center](#) at 8111 Quincy Place, Cleveland, Ohio, 44104

[Maple Heights Library](#) at 5225 Library Lane, Maple Heights, Ohio, 44137

[Mayfield Heights County Library](#) at 500 SOM Center Road, Mayfield Heights, Ohio, 44143

[South Euclid-Lyndhurst County Library](#) at 1876 S. Green Rd., South Euclid, OH 44121

[Warrensville Heights County Library](#) at 4415 Northfield Rd., Warrensville Heights, Ohio, 44128

The new Westside locations are conveniently located at:

[Middleburgh Heights County Library](#) at 15600 East Bagley Road, Middleburg Heights, Ohio 44130

[Old Brooklyn Service Center](#) at 4261 Fulton Parkway, 2nd floor, Cleveland, Ohio, 44144

[Parma Heights County Library](#) at 6206 Pearl Rd, Parma Heights, OH 44130

[Westshore Neighborhood Family Services Center](#) at 9830 Lorain Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44102

All classes held at the new locations are clearly marked on the calendar pages as well as in the course descriptions. All registration procedures will still be applicable. Please arrive early to allow for safety check in. Free parking is available at all new locations.

For more information or answers to any questions, please contact
Eddie Lebrón at (216) 881-5390. or Nefertiti McKinney at 216-881-4048.


APRIL 2017

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 PRE-SERVICE TRAINING QUINCY - DAY
3 RUNNING AWAY FROM FOSTER CARE K. TERRY 6 P.M. - 9 P.M. LOCATION: JEH - RM. 334E E-TRACK ID #: 923-34 ***** RAISING AN OPTI- MISTIC CHILD: TEACHING SKILLS FOR LIFELONG RESILIENCY K. LANGLEY 6 P.M. - 9 P.M. LOCATION: ADOPTION NET- WORK E-TRACK ID #: 989-25	4 CULTURAL DIVER- SITY IN HAIR AND SKIN CARE: AS I AM D. MILLER-FITCH 6 P.M. - 9 P.M. LOCATION: JEH - RM. 3A E-TRACK ID #: 981-32 	5 CHANGING HATS: FOSTER TO ADOPT L. LOVELAND 6 P.M. - 9 P.M. LOCATION: ADOPTION NET- WORK E-TRACK ID #: 948-PA01-S ***** PRE-SERVICE TRAINING CENTERS -DAY	6 ENGAGING YOUTH IN TRANSITION PLANNING B. LOWERY / J. CALLAHAN 9A.M. - 4 P.M. LOCATION: JEH - RM. 3A E-TRACK ID #: 202-36-NOS *JOINT CLASS WITH STAFF* ***** NORMALCY AND THE REASONABLE PRUDENT PARENT STANDARD J. CALLAHAN 6P.M. - 9 P.M. LOCATION: JEH - RM. 334E E-TRACK ID #: 923-77-S	7 PRE-SERVICE TRAINING QUINCY - DAY	8 PRE-SERVICE TRAINING QUINCY - DAY
10 OCWTP ANNUAL TRAINER EVENT 	11	12 UNDERSTANDING THE ROLE OF THE COURT APPOINT- ED SPECIAL ADVO- CATE AND GUARD- IAN AD LITEM B. CARDINA 6 P.M. - 9 P.M. LOCATION: JEH - RM. 334E E-TRACK ID #: 950-5	13	14 Good Friday	15 HAPPY EASTER ! 


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<p>17 PLEASE DON'T SHARE!</p> <p>COMMUNICABLE DISEASES AND CHILDREN</p> <p>R. JOHNSON 6 P.M. - 9 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: JEH - RM. 334E</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 990-2</p>	<p>18 TRAUMA, THE BRAIN, AND RELATIONSHIPS</p> <p>K. TERRY 9A.M. - 4 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: WESTSHORE</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 995-63</p> <p>*****</p> <p>AN OVERVIEW OF CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY</p> <p>J. EKLUND 6 P.M. - 9 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: JEH - RM. 334E</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 945-23</p>  <p>*****</p> <p>TOP...HELPING YOU HELP CHILDREN IN YOUR CARE</p> <p>J. HUNTER / K. GRAYSON 6 P.M. - 9 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: JEH - RM. 3A</p> <p>FOR THIS CLASS ONLY:</p> <p>PLEASE CALL 216-881-4048 TO REGISTER</p>	<p>19 ADULT, CHILD AND PEDIATRIC HEARTSAVER CPR AND FIRST AID - CERTIFIED</p> <p>R. JOHNSON 9 A.M. - 4 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: JEH - RM. 334E</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 990-12-NOS</p> <p>*****</p> <p>SUBSTANCE ABUSE, CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY AND KIDS</p> <p>B. LOWERY 6 P.M. - 9 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: ADOPTION NETWORK</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 988-9</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22 NORMALCY AND THE REASONABLE PRUDENT PARENT STANDARD</p> <p>A. DAVIS 9 A.M. - 12 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: JEH - RM. 334E</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 923-77-S</p> <p>*****</p> <p>NORMALCY AND THE REASONABLE PRUDENT PARENT STANDARD</p> <p>A. DAVIS 1 P.M. - 4 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: JEH - RM. 334E</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 923-77-S</p> <p>*****</p> <p>DYNAMICS OF ADOPTION</p> <p>SISTER M.. RYBICKI 9 A.M. - 4 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: JEH - RM. 343E</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 929-3</p>

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<p>24</p> <p>UNDERSTANDING THE LEGAL PROCESS AND THE ROLE OF THE FOSTER CAREGIVER</p> <p>L. JULIAN 6 P.M. - 9 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: JEH - RM. 334E</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 950-29</p>	<p>25</p> <p>WORKING WITH BIRTH PARENTS: MAKING IT A POSITIVE FOR EVERYONE</p> <p>S. DOHERTY 6 P.M. - 9 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: JEH - RM. 334E</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 928-19</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p> <p>PARENTING BOYS AND GIRLS:</p> <p>THE ART OF UNDERSTANDING THEIR DIFFERENCES</p> <p>J. WARD 9A.M. - 4P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: MAYFIELD HEIGHTS LIBRARY</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 305-52</p> <p>*JOINT CLASS WITH STAFF*</p> 	<p>28</p> <p>SELF INJURY: ASSESSMENTS AND INTERVENTIONS</p> <p>D. ZIDAR 9A.M. - 4P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: MAYFIELD HEIGHTS LIBRARY</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 304-19</p> <p>*JOINT CLASS WITH STAFF*</p>	<p>29</p>

A Close Knit Group



Deanna'Marie, Dequarius and Shermon are a close knit group who want to be adopted together. Deanna loves to sing and dance and is a girly-girl. Dequarius is an honor roll student and likes sports. Shermon is also a good student who is outgoing with a good sense of humor.

Math Teacher or A Chef

Kamarie is a sweet and "quiet-natured" young man who likes to draw and be outdoors. He is a sports fanatic and plays football and basketball. He aspires to be a math teacher or chef.




Dedicated Student

Jadyn is dedicated to her schoolwork and part-time job. She feels connections with family are very important. She also enjoys art and music.

If you would like more information on these or other children in need of a permanent family, please call the Adoption Inquiry Line at **216-881-5457**.

MAY 2017

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>1 DO YOU FEEL ME?</p> <p>LISTENING, TALKING, AND PROBLEM-SOLVING WITH YOUR FOSTER CHILD</p> <p>B. LOWERY 6 P.M. - 9 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: JEH - 334E</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 923-17</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 RAISING CAIN AND ABEL:</p> <p>NEW INSIGHTS INTO BRINGING UP HEALTHY COMPETENT BOYS</p> <p>K. LANGLEY 6 P.M. - 9 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: ADOPTION NETWORK</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 923-25</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6 BUILDING A HEALTHY ADOPTIVE FAMILY:</p> <p>TEN FACTORS OF SUCCESS</p> <p>L. LOVELAND 9A.M. - 4 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: ADOPTION NETWORK</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 989-PA23-S</p>
<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10 POWER NEGOTIATION</p> <p>A. PRESIDENT 9A.M. - 4 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: WESTSHORE</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 980-4</p> <p>*****</p> <p>DANGEROUS GAMES KIDS PLAY</p> <p>A. PRESIDENT 6P.M. - 9 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: JEH - RM. 334E</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 925-103</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p> <p>MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND</p> 


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15	16 PRE-SERVICE TRAINING JEH - EVE	17	18 NCORTC FOSTER, ADOPTIVE AND KINSHIP CAREGIVER TRAINING CONFERENCE Refer to conference brochure for more details. Conference brochure will be mailed separately. ***** PRE-SERVICE TRAINING JEH - EVE	19 NCORTC FOSTER, ADOPTIVE AND KINSHIP CAREGIVER TRAINING CONFERENCE Refer to Conference brochure for more details. Conference brochure will be mailed separately.	20 NCORTC FOSTER, ADOPTIVE AND KINSHIP CAREGIVER TRAINING CONFERENCE Refer to Conference brochure for more details. Conference brochure will be mailed separately.
22	23 PRE-SERVICE TRAINING JEH - EVE	24 CREATING A CULTURALLY SENSITIVE ENVI- RONMENT J. FELTON- WILLIAMS 6 P.M. - 9 P.M. LOCATION: ADOPTION NET- WORK E-TRACK ID #: 927-16	25 PRE-SERVICE TRAINING JEH - EVE	26	27

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<p>29</p> <p>MEMORIAL DAY</p>  <p>BUILDING CLOSED!!</p>	<p>30</p> <p>PRE-SERVICE TRAINING JEH - EVE</p>	<p>31</p>			

SISTERLY BONDS

Tionna is a loving and caring person who enjoys spending time with her sisters and friends. She spends time on social media, working, or playing basketball on her high school team. Kiarrah is a compassionate and determined individual who values spending time with her sisters, listening to music, and being on the phone. She is interested in becoming a cheerleader one day. Johnae likes to play the piano, clarinet and trumpet, going to the mall and eating ice cream. Donajia is a happy and creative little girl. She loves playing with her dolls, going outside to play and spending time with her sisters.



Sports Enthusiast!

Marquise loves watching sports, especially the Cleveland Cavaliers and the Oregon Ducks. He enjoys being active, adventurous and is always willing to try new things. He plays video games, likes to go fishing, and participates in sports. He is currently on the high school football team! Although he is not quite sure what he wants to do when he grows up, but he hopes he can do something related to sports.

A Singer in the Making!


Kenneth prefers to be called Kenny, and he loves to sing! In fact, his favorite singer is Christian artist, Toby Mack. He is extremely bright and friendly. He enjoys going to overnight camp and meeting new friends.



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			<p>1 PRE-SERVICE TRAINING JEH - EVE</p>	<p>2 NORMALCY AND THE REASONABLE PRUDENT PARENT STANDARD: WHAT'S THE STANDARD? A. PRESIDENT 9 A.M. - 4 P.M. LOCATION: BEECHWOOD LIBRARY E-TRACK ID #: 201-95</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*JOINT CLASS WITH STAFF*</p>	<p>3 BECOMING A TRAUMA COMPETENT CAREGIVER - PART 1 K. RIEKERT 9 A.M. - 4 P.M. LOCATION: JEH - RM. 334E E-TRACK ID #: 991-37</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>*****</p> <p>ADULT, CHILD AND PEDI-ATRIC HEARTSAVER CPR AND FIRST AID R. JOHNSON 9 A.M. - 4 P.M. LOCATION: JEH - RM. 343E E-TRACK ID #: 990-12-NOS</p> <p>*****</p> <p>NAVIGATING THE WHITE-WATER OF REUNIFICATION: PRIMARY FAMILY, AGENCY AND CAREGIVER COLLABORATION B. LOWERY 9A.M. - 4 P.M. LOCATION: JEH - RM. 3A E-TRACK ID #: 928-1</p> <p>*****</p> <p>LIVE IT, LEARN IT, LOVE IT: MAKING EDUCATION MATTER TO THE FAILING STUDENT A. PRESIDENT 9A.M. - 4 P.M. LOCATION: ADOPTION NETWORK E-TRACK ID #: 994-29</p>



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<p>5 HELPING FOSTER PARENTS AVOID COMMON PARENTING TRAPS:</p> <p>STEERING CLEAR OF THE QUICK SAND</p> <p>J. WARD 6 P.M. - 9 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: JEH - RM. 334E</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 925-135</p>	<p>6 PRE-SERVICE</p> <p>TRAINING</p> <p>JEH - EVE</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8 PRE-SERVICE</p> <p>TRAINING</p> <p>JEH - EVE</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10 RE-PARENTING THE WOUNDED CHILD</p> <p>J. WARD 9 A.M. - 4 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: JEH - RM. 334E</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 925-42</p> <p>*****</p> <p>MANAGING THE HURT:</p> <p>WHEN YOUR FOSTER CHILD LEAVES</p> <p>K. LOWERY 9 A.M. - 4 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: JEH - RM. 3A</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 926-29</p> <p>*****</p> <p>FOSTERING SELF RELIANCE IN CHILDREN AND YOUTH:</p> <p>ROOTS AND WINGS</p> <p>J. CALLAHAN 9 A.M. - 4 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: JEH - RM. 343E</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 941-FF14-S</p>

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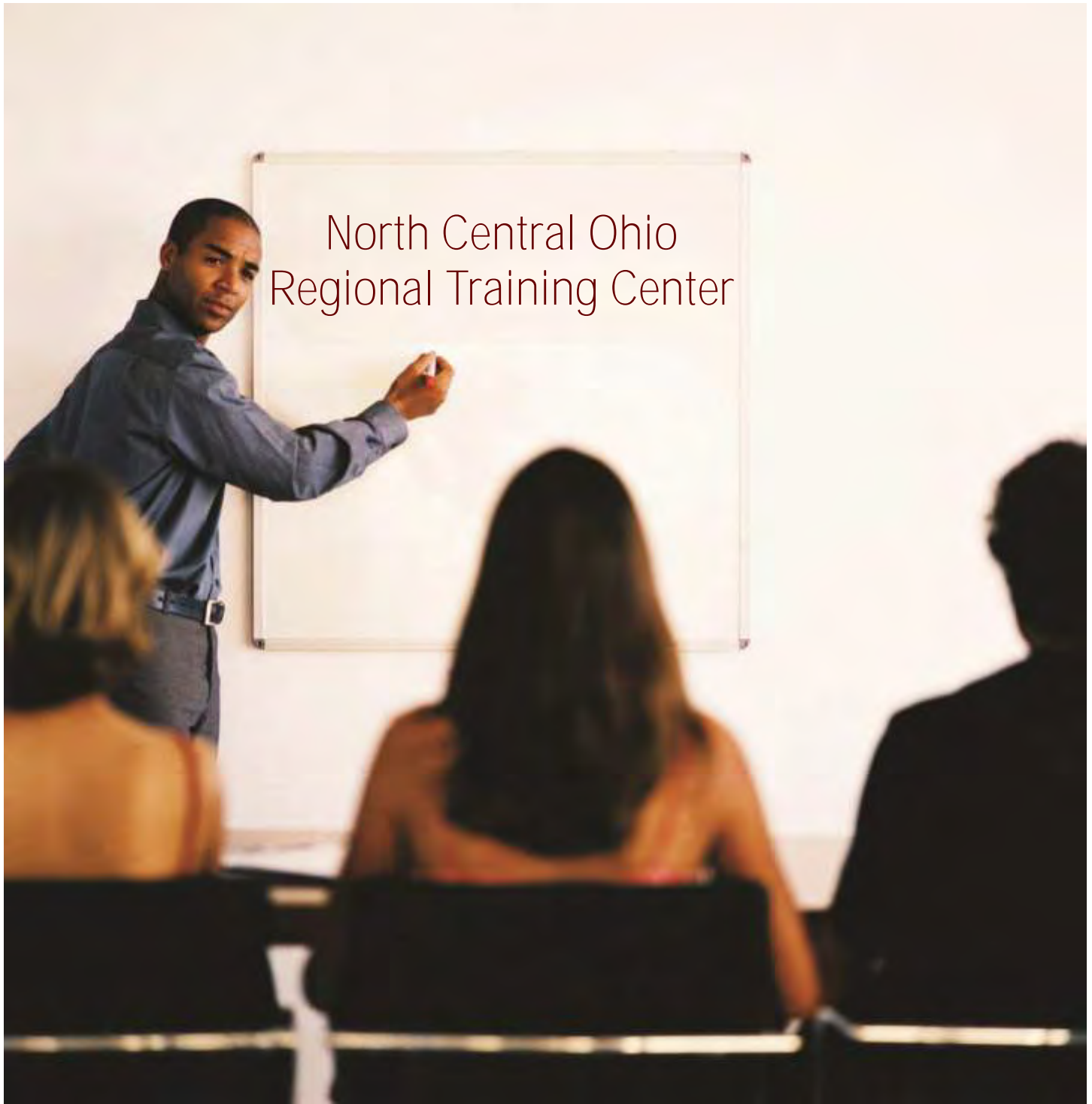
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<p>12</p>	<p>13 TOP...HELPING YOU HELP CHILDREN IN YOUR CARE</p> <p>J. HUNTER / K. GRAYSON 6 P.M. - 9 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: JEH - RM. 3A</p> <p style="color: red;">FOR THIS CLASS ONLY: PLEASE CALL 216-881-4048 TO REGISTER</p> <p>*****</p> <p>PRE-SERVICE TRAINING</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JEH - EVE</p>	<p>14 ATTACHMENT, SEPARATION AND LOSS IN FOSTER CARE AND ADOPTION</p> <p>B. LOWERY 6 P.M. - 9 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: ADOPTION NETWORK</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 924-1</p>	<p>15 PRE-SERVICE TRAINING</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JEH - EVE</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17 FATHER'S DAY WEEKEND</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>
<p>19 WOMEN'S SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND RECOVERY ISSUES</p> <p>C. DARRINGTON 9 A.M. - 4 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: BEACHWOOD HEIGHTS LIBRARY</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 309-24</p> <p style="color: red;">*JOINT CLASS WITH STAFF*</p> <p>*****</p> <p>BEAUTY AND THE BEAST: PROVIDING TRAUMA SENSITIVE CARE TO FOSTER CHILDREN</p> <p>K. TERRY 6 P.M. - 9 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: JEH - RM. 334E</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 925-62</p>	<p>20 PRE-SERVICE TRAINING</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JEH - EVE</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22 PRE-SERVICE TRAINING</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JEH - EVE</p>	<p>23 IDENTIFYING PERSONALITY DISORDERS USING CASE EXAMPLES FROM POP CULTURE</p> <p>L. DAVIS 9A.M. - 4 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: JEH - RM. 334E</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 308-24</p> <p style="color: red;">*JOINT CLASS WITH STAFF*</p>	<p>24 LEGAL ASPECTS OF CHILD WELFARE FOR FOSTER PARENTS</p> <p>V. SOLOMON 9 A.M. - 4 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: JEH - RM. 334E</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 950-7</p> <p>*****</p> <p>SOCIAL SKILLS TRAINING FOR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS</p> <p>K. TERRY 9 A.M. - 4 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: JEH - 3A</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 923-71</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>

JUNE 2017

FOSTER, ADOPTIVE, KINSHIP CAREGIVERS' TRAINING

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>26 HOME INVASION: OVERCOMING MEDIA MADNESS</p> <p>A. PRESIDENT 9 A.M. - 4 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: MAYFIELD HEIGHTS LIBRARY</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 305-12</p> <p>*JOINT CLASS WITH STAFF*</p>	<p>27 TEXTING, SEXTING AND THE WORLD OF THE INTERNET</p> <p>J. WARD 6 P.M. - 9 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: ADOPTION NET- WORK</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 945-15</p>	<p>28 REACHING HIGH- ER:</p> <p>A CURRICULUM FOR FOSTER/ ADOPTIVE PAR- ENTS AND KINSHIP CAREGIVERS CAR- ING FOR LGBTQ YOUTH</p> <p>R. JOHNSON 9 A.M. - 4 P.M.</p> <p>LOCATION: JEH - RM. 334E</p> <p>E-TRACK ID #: 985-10-NOS</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	

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Jamole Callahan is a graduate of Central State University where he studied music education. He entered foster care at the age of 13 and was shifted through 9 foster homes. At 18 he was emancipated out of care, and with the assistance of one of his mentors/teachers, he was encouraged to further his education. He is an approved OCWTP trainer and travels around the country as an motivational speaker regarding foster care issues.

Beth Cardina, L.S.W., is a Licensed Social Worker with over twenty-five years of service in the child welfare field. She currently serves as the Program Coordinator for the CASA/GAL Program of Summit County, one of the largest programs in the state of Ohio. She has extensive experience working with foster and adoptive parents in both the public and private sectors. She is also an approved trainer for the OCWTP and the Supreme Court of Ohio Judicial College.

China Darrington, B.F.A., has an extensive past history of substance abuse and has undergone intensive drug abuse treatment on more than one occasion. She has been clean and sober for a number of years and now spends her free time educating other women on the dangers and risks of substance abuse.

Amanda Davis, B.S. in Social Work, graduated with a Bachelor's of Science degree in social work from The Ohio State University. Her experience in foster care and being adopted gave her a passion for the child welfare system. She has spoken locally and nationally on behalf of today's foster youth.

Dr. Linda Davis, PhD, P.C., L.S.W., has worked for Summit County Children Services for the past 25 years. Dr. Davis is an approved trainer with the Ohio Child Welfare Training Program (OCWTP) and works as an independent trainer and consultant. Her areas of expertise include visitation, attachment theory, child development, research, mental health, counseling, supervision, foster care, and assessment.

Sherry Doherty, L.S.W., L.P.C., holds a Masters Degree in Community Counseling from Malone University. She has enjoyed working in the field of Therapeutic Foster Care in various positions for over 15 years. She has worked as a case manager, home assessor, training director, therapist, and consultant within schools. In addition to her professional experience and education, she is also the foster/adoptive mother of a child of early life trauma.

Jami Eklund received her Bachelor of Arts in English from Wayne State University in 2002. Ms. Eklund has been in the child passenger safety field since 2003. She is presently the Quality Assurance Specialist for the Safe Kids Child Passenger Safety Certification Program. In her current role, Ms. Eklund conducts course audits, completes recertification and desk audits and develops and presents instructor development webinars and in-person sessions as well as presentations to the community.

Kellie Grayson, a staff member of the Cuyahoga County Division of Children and Family Services, has 17 years of casework experience spending the last 11 years as a resource manager for foster homes. She has a B.A in Psychology.

Judy Hunter, a staff member of the Cuyahoga County Division of Children and Family Services, has more than 26 years of casework experience. She has been a caseworker in direct services and adoption. She is currently a supervisor of resource managers in the area of foster care. She has a B.A. in Sociology.

Ronna Johnson, R.N., C.P.N.P., has been a Pediatric Nurse for over 29 years and a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner for over 25 years. Her experiences include direct care, program development, case management and respite coordinator. She is also an approved OCWTP trainer for foster families caring for children with complex medical and developmental care needs. She has been a foster and adoptive parent for children with special needs for over 14 years.

Linda Julian is a Former Assistant County Prosecutor with the Cuyahoga County Division of Children and Family Services from 2009-2012. In 2012, she returned to private law practice where she works as court appointed counsel in juvenile court representing children in delinquency cases, parents and children in abuse, neglect and dependency cases and serves as a guardian ad litem. Her previous experience includes serving as a Specialized Foster Parent during the 1990s.

Kim Langley, M.Ed., has a Master's Degree in Education from Duquesne University. She does foster parent training at Lorain County Children Services and is an independent contractor in parent training at Corporate Child Care Center for Human Services.

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Brian Lowery, M.P.A., L.S.W., has been a trainer in the human service field for over twenty years. He is a Qualified Professional Administrator with the Ohio Department of Mental Health and a state Licensed Social Worker. He has served as the Director of In-Service Training for the largest private child care agency in Ohio, and Director of Child Care for a local residential treatment center.

Kathleen M. Lowery is the Program Coordinator of Lowery Training Associates and has served as a child welfare professional for the past 25 years. She has experience in program development, supervision, and administration for foster care and adoptive programs. She also specializes in the areas of Educational Advocacy, Independent Living, Sexual development, and Spiritual Healing.

Dionne Miller-Fitch has been a licensed cosmetologist for over 30 years. In addition to her expertise in the beauty industry, she has worked with national and local human services organizations in the areas of program development, implementation, management and facilitation. She is passionate and committed to assist and support caregivers in utilizing the best tools and resources to help the children in their homes find healthy perceptions of themselves.

Anthony President served as a Social Service Worker III and a Training Officer for the Division of Children and Family Services. He holds a B.A. in Sociology from John Carroll University. He also develops and conducts workshops on Child Abuse and Neglect issues for the Visiting Nurse Association of Cleveland, Ohio.

Sister Madeleine Rybicki, C.S.F.N., M.S., is an international trainer in the field of children and youth care and has her Master's Degree in Child Development from the University of Pittsburgh. She is on staff with Holy Family Institute in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, a multi-disciplinary agency specializing in therapeutic care of abused and neglected children and families in crisis.

Victoria Solomon, J.D., M.S.S.A., is an attorney and social worker with over 30 years experience in various aspects of child welfare. She is also an adoptive parent who began her career as a caseworker at an Ohio Public Children's Services Agency working on behalf of Ohio's abused, neglected and dependent children. Later she represented the parents of these children as legal counsel, which gave her a more complete understanding of some of the challenges faced by parents as they move through child welfare's legal system. For the past 14 years she has been serving as a trainer for the Ohio Child Welfare Training Program.

Katie Terry, M.S.W., L.I.S.W., is a certified adoption assessor, and child welfare social worker for the past nine years. Her experience has been in intake, therapeutic foster care, and adoption support. More recently, she has trained for the Northeast Ohio Regional Training Center, providing workshops for foster and adoptive parents on Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD).

John Ward holds a Master's Degree in Counseling specializing in the area of Reactive Attachment Disorder and is a Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor III for the State of Ohio. He is a supervisor for a private foster care network and spent 10 years as the Director of Counseling for a non-profit organization. Since the age of 14, he has been involved with child welfare in one form or another. He was raised in the foster care system, was adopted, and brings a unique viewpoint to his trainings. He is the recipient of the 2009 Rising Star Award for the Ohio Child Welfare Training Program.

David Zidar, M.S.S.A., L.I.S.W., is an independent trainer and consultant. He has been a childcare worker, therapist and social worker in community and residential settings since 1982. He is currently director of placement services in a metro county in Ohio as well as a mobile therapist in Pennsylvania.



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