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Foster & Kinship Care Education Program

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Welcome,

El Camino College Compton Center Foster and Kinship Care Education Program appreciates your continued services for caring for the children placed within foster/kinship care. The main goal of foster/kinship care is reunification. As caregivers you work magic giving a troubled child the chance to trust, love and allowing them to feel confident about their place in the world. The El Camino Compton Center will continue to provide caregivers with a quality education and support opportunities to meet the child’s needs.

**Foster Care Education Building**

All classes will be on the campus of Compton Center located in the Foster Care Education building. Enter on Artesia Blvd, as you enter the campus look to the right. There is a gray apartment building with a black iron gate around it. All workshops will be held down stairs. To purchase a daily parking permit you must go to the Campus Police Department in V – 70, fee is $2.00 dollars and for a parking permit for the semester the fee is $20.00.

**Parenting Classes**

All license caregivers are required to take (12) hours basic rate; “D” rate is required to take of (18) hours; of renewal classes; “F” rate is required to take (12) hours of renewal classes and Whole Family Foster Care is required to take (4)
hours of renewal classes. Kinship caregivers are required to take classes to keep their certification up to date.

These workshops will benefit the following care providers: License Foster Parents, Kinship Caregivers, Foster Agency, Foster youth, and Birth Parents, Teachers and other members of the community who are involved in helping abused and neglected children. As with all of our workshops there is no cost to the participants.

“D” Rate Certification Pre – Service

If you are a foster/kinship parent and either have a child in your care currently or want to take of a child who been diagnosed as having emotional difficulties (classified as a “D” Rate child by DCFS). Then you will need to take this 16 hours training. Successful completion of the 16 hour training is part of the “D” Rate licensing requirements. This series of instruction helps you to provide a safe, nurturing home for children who present severe and persistent emotional and behavioral challenges. You’ll learn the flip side to these children and discover their positive strengths. Once you compete the certification training the following year you must attend 18 hours of the parenting workshops to keep your certification updated. As with all of our workshops there is no cost to the participants.
“F” Rate Certification Pre-Services

If you are a foster/kinship parent and either have a child in your care currently or are wanting to take a child who has been diagnosed as being medically fragile (classified as an F-Rate child by the DCFS), then you will need to take this 16 hours training. Successful completion of this 16 hour training is required for F Rate pre certification. By attending this training will help you develop the skills necessary to effectively handle the unique challenges of caring for children with special medical needs such as severe asthma, traumatic brain injury, shaken baby syndrome and prenatal alcohol and drug exposure. Once you complete the training the following year you must take 12 hours of parenting workshops to keep your certification update.

Our program will provide families with information on their legal rights as caregivers to their families. It will also allow you to become efficient in the terminology of the Department of Children and Family Services and the Children Court System. The following topics will be discussed: Child Development, Behavioral Management, Kin Gap, Attachment Issues, Documentation, Grief and Loss, Substance Abuse, Visitation Issues, Allegations, Adoption vs. Legal Guardianship, Special Medical Condition, Severe Emotional, Independent Living Skills, Transitional Housing, Financial Aid for college and community resources.

Definition of relative caregivers: a person related to the child by birth or adoption in one of the following relationships (Step) mother or father, (Half) sister or brother, uncle or aunt, first cousin, nephew or niece or any such person of a preceding generation denoted by prefixes grand or great. Collaboration between the spouses of any person named above, even after the marriage had been terminated by death or dissolution, extended family members are also relative caregivers.
Partnering for Safety and Permanency
Model Approach to Partnership in Parenting (PS MAPP)

The PS MAPP program provides mandated training to help prospective families make an informed decision about becoming in the role of a foster/adoptive parent. PS MAPP is a 33 hour curriculum development by the Child Welfare Institute and required by the state of California for all prospective parents interested in fostering or adopting children in the foster care system. PS MAPP training is offered free of charge and is open to all qualified potential prospective foster/adoptive parents.

The following steps must be taken before participating the PS MAPP training:

Step 1: Call the Department of Children and Family Services at 1 (888)811-1121. After completion of the orientation workshop, you will be presented with a orientation certificate.

Step 2: You must pre-register to take a 33 hour training (PS MAPP) To pre-register contact the Community College Foundation at (213) 427-6910 Ext. 209.

Step 3: You must bring your orientation certificate to the PS MAPP workshop on the first day of class. If you don’t bring your certificate on the first day of class. You will not be allow to attend the workshop. After completion of the PS MAPP training, you will receive a 33 hour certificate of completion.

Youth Empowerment Strategies for Success (YESS)

Youth Empowerment Strategies for Success is a comprehensive and Integrated program that unites community partners and academic leaders to empower foster youth successfully transition into independent
living. Using the 3R approach, the YESS program provides services that focus on life skills training and academic performance with the objective of achieving self-sufficiency, college degree or certificate completion, and employment.

The Compton Center YESS-ILP Program is designed to offer a series of workshops resources for foster students ages 16 – 21. The YESS – ILP Program is designed to assist participants with developing life skills and learning about our academic/vocational programs.

Classes are from 5:00 pm -6:00 pm every Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Foster/Kinship Care Education building. To register please call 1 (310) 537-3808

**Child Care Services**

Unfortunately, we regret that Child Care Services will not be available at this time. Children will not be permitted in the classroom. We look forward to seeing you and thank you for choosing El Camino College Compton Center for your training needs.

**Twelve Skills for Successful Parenting**

The Goal of program is to prepare individuals and families to make an informed decision about becoming foster/kinship or adoptive resource families. The decision is made with the child welfare agency and is based on the capability and willingness to take on the “role” and develop the skills needed to foster/kinship or
adopt. These partnerships help children and youth have stability and permanence with a family.

1. **Know your own family**: Asses your individual and family strengths and needs build on strengths and meet needs.
2. **Communicate effectively**: Use and develop communication skills.
3. **Know the children**: Identify the strengths and needs of children and youth who have been abused, neglected, abandoned, and/or emotionally maltreated.
4. **Build strengths and meet needs**: Build on strengths and meet needs of children and youth who are placed with you.
5. **Work in partnership**: Develop partnerships with children and youth, birth families, the agency, and the community to develop and carry our plans for permanency.
6. **Be a loss and attachment experts**: Help children and youth develop skills to manage loss and attachment.
7. **Manage behaviors**: Help children and youth maintain and develop relationships.
8. **Build connections**: Help children and youth maintain and develop relationships that keep them connected to their pasts.
9. **Build self-esteem**: Help children and youth build on positive self concept and positive family, cultural and racial identity.
10. **Assure health and safety**: Provide a healthy and safe environment for children and youth and keep them free from harm.
11. **Asses Impact**: Asses the way fostering and/or adopting will affect your family.
12. **Make an informed decision**: Make an informed decision to foster or adopt.
October 2011
Working with the System

**Topic:** **Removal and Placement of Children**
This workshop will focus on how the DCFS places children in licensed foster and kinship home. Procedures for allegations and false allegation, procedures of DCFS removal of children in foster/kinship homes will be discussed.

**Date:** Tuesday, October 4, 2011  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** Jack Jackson, DCFS

**Topic:** **Removal and Placement of Children**
This workshop will focus on how the DCFS place children in licensed foster and kinship home. Procedures of allegations and false allegation, procedures of DCFS removal of children in foster/kinship homes will be discussed.

**Date:** Wednesday, October 5, 2011  
**Time:** 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced

**Topic:** **Specialize Placement of Children**
This workshop will focus on the placement of children with high levels of care. Theses high level is special medical conditions, severe behavior problems and mental health issue.

**Date:** Thursday, October 6, 2011  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** Joseph Sims, DCFS
Topic: Department of Children and Family Services Discipline Policy
This workshop will focus on why corporal punishment is forbidden in foster/kinship care. Positive discipline techniques will be discussed.

Date: Tuesday, October 11, 2011
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: To Be Announced

Topic: Department of Children and Family Services Discipline Policy
This workshop will focus on why corporal punishment is forbidden in foster/kinship care. Positive discipline techniques will be discussed.

Date: Wednesday, October 12, 2011
Time: 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: To Be Announced

Topic: Adoption vs. Legal Guardianship
This workshop will focus on the commitment to providing permanent, lifelong relationships with a foster/kinship child. The differences between adoption and legal guardianship will be discussed.

Date: Thursday, October 13, 2011
Time: 9:00 am - 12:00 noon
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: LaShan Jones, DCFS
**Topic:** Run Away Project
This workshop will focus on run away teens in foster/kinship care. Intervention and communication skills will be discussed.

**Date:** Tuesday, October 18, 2011  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** Eric Ball, DCFS

**Topic:** Run Away Project
This workshop will focus on run away teens in foster/kinship care. Intervention and communication skills will be discussed.

**Date:** Wednesday, October 19, 2011  
**Time:** 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** Eric Ball, DCFS

**Topic:** Wraparound Table
This workshop will focus on support for the birth family and/or kinship caregiver in keeping the child in the home. The DCFS will provide family resources, such as food banks, employment and low income housing.

**Date:** Thursday, October 20, 2011  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** Luis Valdovinos, DCFS
Topic: Being a Relative Caregivers
This workshop will focus on the role, rights and responsibilities of a kinship provider. Discuss parenting your second time around and placing a blood relative child in your home.

Date: Tuesday, October 25, 2011
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: Barbara Barbino, DCFS

Topic: Being a Relative Caregiver
This workshop will focus on the role, rights and responsibilities of a kinship provider. Discuss parenting your second time around and placing a blood relative child in your home.

Date: Wednesday, October 26, 2011
Time: 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: Pamela Godfrey, Instructional Specialist

Topic: Assembly Bill AB12
This workshop will focus on the update on (AB12) This Bill will allow foster/kinship youth to remain in the caregivers home until the age of 21. The foster/kinship youth will receive fund from the DCFS to pay caregivers rent.

Date: Thursday, October 27, 2011
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: Barbara Barbino, DCFS
November Specialized Topics

Topic: Creating a New Vision in today’s Youth
Many people would hold this statement as true “Without a vision people perish.” Maybe this explains why having so many children in foster care perishing, they cannot vision for their future or see themselves as an adult someday. In this workshop parents will learn ways to help break that old negative vision that some kids have and replace them with healthy dreams, goals and plan.

Date: Tuesday, November 1, 2011
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: Keith Johnson, Advocate for Foster Parents

Topic: Child Growth and Development (age 0 to 5) Part 1
This workshop will focus on development milestone in infants: movement, visual, language, cognitive, social/emotional and appropriate toys.

Date: Wednesday, November 2, 2011
Time: 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: Pamela Godfrey, Instructional Specialist
Topic: **Kinship Guardianship Assistance**
This workshop will provide caregivers information on termination of court jurisdiction and DCFS. The caregiver will continue to receive funding on the behalf of the child at $100% of the basic foster/kinship care rate. Med-Cal coverage and eligibility for Youth Empowerment Strategies for Success Program (YESS).

Date: Thursday, November 3, 2011
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: Lee Gilbert, Advocate for Kinship Parents

Topic: **“F” Rate Certification in English**
This workshop is develop to serve as both an introduction and basic education program for foster/kinship care providers of children with special medical conditions. You must attend all four sessions, to receive a certificate of completion. You may register by calling (310) 537-3808.

Date: Monday, November 7, 2011
Time: 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm
Presenter: To Be Announced

Topic: **My Parents are in Jail**
This workshop will focus on the innocent children whose lives are impacted by the incarceration of a parent of love one. Children may experience feelings of fear, anger, shame, loss, confusion, loneliness and betrayal.

Date: Tuesday, November 8, 2011
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: To Be Announced
Topic: **My Parents are in Jail**  
This workshop will focus on the innocent children whose lives are impacted by the incarceration of a parent of love one. Children may experience feelings of fear, anger, shame, loss, confusion, loneliness and betrayal.

**Date:** Wednesday, November 9, 2011  
**Time:** 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm  
**Presenter:** Pamela Godfrey, Instructional Specialist

Topic: **Sexualized Behavior**  
This workshop will focus on understanding the forces behind children’s sexual acting out behavior. In this workshop parents will learn to pay attention to the warning signs and how to take appropriate actions for obsessive sexual behavior, sexual behavior with siblings, seductive behavior towards adults, and public masturbation.

**Date:** Thursday, November 10, 2011  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** Pamela Godfrey, Instructional Specialist

Topic: **“F” Rate Certification in English**  
Session 2, will cover Child Growth and Development concepts and medical conditions.

**Date:** Monday, November 14, 2011  
**Time:** 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced
Topic: **Being in Foster/Kinship Care**
This workshop will focus on emancipation youth sharing their life story being in foster/kinship care. Hear these youth share their personal experience and feeling to make fostering easy.

**Date:** Tuesday, November 15, 2011  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** Emancipate Youth

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**Date:** Wednesday, November 16, 2011  
**Time:** 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced

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Topic: **Healthy Eating Tip for Children**
This workshop will focus on making healthy food choices. Learn how to make children food colorful to a picky eater.

**Date:** Thursday, November 17, 2011  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced
**Kinship Orientation**
This workshop will focus on helping relative caregivers with many of the answers to some critical concerns they may have. Often unforeseen issues involving such as caring for your kin’s child, knowing the court process, getting financial assistance, adoption and helping your family, presents new difficult worries.

**Date:** Saturday, November 19, 2011  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 1:00 pm  
**Presenter:** Lee Gilbert and Linda Jones, Advocate for Kinship Parents

**“F” Rate Certification**
This session 3 will cover health and behavior issues.

**Date:** Monday, November 21, 2010  
**Time:** 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced

**Working with the Birth Parents**
This workshop will focus on a panel of birth parents expressing their feeling of having their children removed from their home and their drug addiction.

**Date:** Tuesday, November 22, 2011  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced
**Topic:**

“F” **Rate Certification**

This session 4, working with the Medical Placement Unit with Department of Children and Family Services. Support system for caregivers that have medical children placed in the home.

**Date:** Monday, November 28, 2011

**Time:** 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm

**Presenter:** To Be Announced

**The Foster & Kinship Care Education Program will be Close**

**November 23 and 24, 2011**

**Thanksgiving Holiday**

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**Topic:**

**Managing Challenging Behaviors**

Children in foster care have many issues that brings a host Of negative and sometimes challenging behaviors that foster Parents are confronted with. Find out how to identify, cope and help children change these behaviors.

**Date:** Tuesday, November 29, 2011

**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon

**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”

**Presenter:** To Be Announced

**Topic:**

**Culturally Competent Parenting**

This workshop will focus on helping children appreciate and maintain their cultural identity, building children’s confidence in dealing with prejudice and racism, and advocating on behalf of children.

**Date:** Wednesday, November 30, 2011

**Time:** 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”

**Presenter:** To Be Announced
December
Parenting Skills

Topic: Why Placement Fail
This workshop will focus on questions to ask social workers when placing children in your home. Matching your strength with the child’s needs.

Date: Thursday, December 1, 2011
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: Sandra Kaumaya, Retired DCFS

El tema: La Certificación de la Tasa "F" en español
Este taller es desarrollada para servir como tanto una introducción como educación básica programan para proveedores de cuidado de adoptivo/parentesco de niños con condiciones médicas especiales. Debe asistir las 4 sesiones, para recibir un certificado de terminación. Puede registrar llamando Pamela Godfrey en (310) 537-3808.

La fecha: El sábado, el 3 de diciembre de 2011
El tiempo: 9:00 es - 5:30 P.m.
El presentador: Juanita Cruz, Recomienda para Padres Adoptivos
Topic: **Child Growth Development (Adolescence)**
This workshop will focus on transition period from childhood, a period that brings sometime tumultuous physical, social and emotional changes.

Date: Tuesday, December 6, 2011  
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”  
Presenter: Frances Wright, Advocate for Foster Parents

Topic: **The Adventures of Parenting (Part 1)**
This workshop will help parents who have children who have suffered from multiple negative impacts. Create a warm and loving emotional climate that helps children feel good about themselves.

Date: Wednesday, December 7, 2011  
Time: 6:00 pm -9:00 pm  
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”  
Presenter: Reginald Mc Coy, Advocate for Foster/Kinship Parents

Topic: **Reunification**
This workshop will focus on the goal of DCFS, to re-unify children back to the family whenever possible, before considering any long range care for the child. Juvenile Courts determined the most appropriate plan for the child.

Date: Thursday, December 8, 2011  
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”  
Presenter: Sandra Kaumaya, DCFS
El tema: Certificación de Tasa "F"
La sesión 3, cubrirán asuntos de salud y conducta
La sesión 4, la unidad médica de colocación

La fecha: El sábado, el 10 de diciembre de 2011
El Timpo: 9:00 es – 5:30 P.m
El presentador: Juanita Cruz, Recomienda para Padres Adoptivos

Topic: Building Positive Esteem
This workshop will focus on building children self-esteem by increase their ability to achieve in school, work and in life activities. While decreasing delinquent behavior, substance abuse and dropping out of school.

Date: Tuesday, December 13, 2011
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: Bobbie Lanham, Advocate for Foster Parents

Topic: Medical Emergency Respond Safety Tips
This workshop will focus on recognizing emergencies. Emergencies can often be recognized because of unusual sights, appearance or behaviors, odors and noises.

Date: Thursday, December 15, 2011
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: America Red Cross
**Topic:** Kinship Orientation
This workshop will focus on helping relative caregivers with many of the answers to some critical concerns they may have. Often unforeseen issues involving such as caring for your kin’s child, knowing the court process, getting financial assistance, adoption and helping your family, presents new difficult worries.

**Date:** Saturday, December 17, 2011  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 1:00 pm  
**Presenter:** Lee Gilbert and Linda Jones

**Topic:** How to Create Structure, Consistency and Consequence for your Children?  
This workshop will create a sense of structure and consistency in the home environment are important aspects of maintaining permanency in the home. We will discuss ideas on how to provide these aspects for your child.

**Date:** Tuesday, December 20, 2011  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** Russell Jones, Advocate for Foster Parents

**Topic:** Wetting and Soiling  
This workshop will examine five types of problems. Wetting as an emotional outlet, wetting as self-defense, classic wetting problem, soiling and smearing feces, constipation and withholding stools

**Date:** Wednesday, December 21, 2011  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced
Topic: **Joy of Parenting**

The workshop will focus on parent’s vision of the joys and pleasure they will experience as parents. Parents will share successful stories of fostering child in and out of care.

Date: Thursday, December 22, 2011

Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon

Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”

Presenter: Bobbie Lanham, Advocate for Foster Parents

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December 23, thru January 10, 2012

Winter Break

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Topic: Attachment Issues

This workshop will focus on exploring the process of attachment and the impact of multiple trauma and losses on the child development. Caregivers will learn how to support children to develop healthy attachments and behaviors.

Date: Tuesday, January 10, 2012
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: Pamela Edwards, Advocate for Foster Parents

Date: Wednesday, January 11, 2012
Time: 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: To Be Announced
**Topic:** Learning Disabilities  
This workshop will focus on helping caregivers advocate for children with learning disabilities. Caregivers will gain knowledge of the policy of the public school district in assessing children with special needs.

**Date:** Thursday, January 12, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced

**Topic:** Train the Trainers  
This workshop is for FKCE trainers, foster parents and relatives caregivers that have a desire to be trainer for FKCE program. Learn how to create powerful openings for your training. Apply the latest adults learning theories to design and delivery accelerate learning in special situations like computer training and technical training.

**Date:** Saturday, January 14, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 1:00 pm  
**Presenter:** Pamela Edwards, Advocate for Foster Parents

**Topic:** Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder and Oppositional Defiant Disorder  
This workshop offers insight and positive steps to caregivers on dealing with kids diagnosed with ADHD and ODD. The class will cover issues such as symptoms, diagnosis, medication, power struggles, keeping things positive, and becoming advocates for the children.

**Date:** Tuesday, January 17, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** Pamela Edwards, Advocate for Foster Parents
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**Date:** Wednesday, January 18, 2012  
**Time:** 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced

**Topic:** Sexualized Behaviors

This workshop will help caregivers understand the forces behind children’s sexual acting out behavior. Caregivers will learn to pay attention to the warning signs and how to take appropriate actions for obsessive sexual behavior, sexual behavior with siblings, seductive behavior toward adults and public masturbation.

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**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced
**Whole Family Foster Homes**

This workshop is designed for license foster parents and relative caregivers that have the desired to mentor pregnant teen or teenagers with child. Caregivers are specially trained and certified to assist the teen parent in developing the skills necessary to provide a safe, stable and permanent home for her/his child. On completion of these 4 days workshops you will receive a 16 hours certificate.

You must register by call Pamela Godfrey (310) 537-3808.

**Date:** Saturday, January 21, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 5:30 pm  
**Presenter:** Sandra Smith, Advocate for Foster/Kinship Parents

**Children with Autism**

This workshop will examines the core deficits of autism communication, social skills, play and developmental delay.

**Date:** Tuesday, January 24, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** Russell Jones, Advocate for Foster Parents

**Children with Autism**

This workshop will examines the core deficits of autism communication, social skills, play and developmental delay.

**Date:** Wednesday, January 25, 2012  
**Time:** 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced
**Topic:** 

**Allegation are Real**

This workshop will discuss common causes for allegations. Caregivers will learn ways to protect themselves against an allegation. What happens when an allegation occur?

**Date:** Thursday, January 26, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced

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**Topic:** 

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**Date:** Saturday, January 28, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 5:30 pm  
**Presenter:** Sandra Smith, Advocate for Foster/Kinship Parents

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**Topic:** 

**Sleep Problems**

This workshop will focus on sleep problems caused by sleeping alone, roaming, night terrors and depression. Caregivers will have an understanding, insight and practical steps to overcome these needs.

**Date:** Tuesday, January 31, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** Beatriz Lopez, Advocate for Foster Parents
February
Permanency Planning/Reunification/Emancipation

Topic: **Emancipation of Teens**
This workshop will focus on helping foster youth emancipate out of the foster care system successful. Information on 50 suggestions for preparing for independent.

Date: Wednesday, February 1, 2012
Time: 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: To Be Announced

Topic: **Prevention of Teenage Pregnancy**
This course is designed to provide accurate information regarding basic Anatomy and Physiology. To provide information regarding sexually transmitted diseases and to also provide information regarding contraceptive/reproductive. To make foster youth and parents award of ways to prevent teenage pregnancy.

Date: Thursday, February 2, 2012
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: Harbor UCLA
**Topic:** "D" Rate Certification in English  
This workshop will focus on children with severe emotional and or behavior problems and who can benefits from placement in a family home setting. You must attend all 4 days. You may register by calling (310) 537-3808.

**Date:** Monday, February 6, 2011  
**Time:** 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm  
**Presenter:** Brenda Parks, Advocate for Foster Parents

**Topic:** Working with Birth Parents/Relationship  
This workshop will focus on the partnership with the birth parent, foster caregivers and social services in planning a plan for the child in care.

**Date:** Tuesday, February 7, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** Frances Wright, Advocate for Foster Parents

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**Date:** Wednesday, February 8, 2012  
**Time:** 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** Harbor UCLA
**Adoption vs. Legal Guardianship**
This workshop will focus on the commitment to providing permanent, lifelong relationships with a foster/kinship child. The differences between adoption and legal guardianship will be discussed.

**Date:** Thursday, February 9, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced

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**Certificación de Tasa "D"**
Este taller se centrará en niños con severo emocional y o los problemas de conducta y que pueden los beneficios de la colocación en una colocación familiar de hogar. Debe asistir 4 días. Puede registrar llamando Pamela Godfrey en (310) 537-3808

**La fecha:** El sábado, el 10 de febrero de 2012  
**El Tiempo:** 9:00 es - 5:30 P.m.  
**El presentador:** Juanita Cruz, Recomienda para Padres Adoptivos

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**“D” Rate Certification in English**
This workshop will focus on children with severe emotional and or behavior problems and who can benefits from placement in a family home setting. You must attend all 4 days. You may register by calling (310) 537-3808.

**Date:** Monday, February 13, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 5:30 pm  
**Presenter:** Brenda Parks, Advocate for Foster Parents
**Visitation Issues**

This workshop will focus on a plan for birth parents and the child in out of care. Caregivers will be giving resources to help birth parents with the visits and make sure visit is successful.

**Date:** Tuesday, February 14, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced

**Record Keeping and Documentation**

This workshop will focus on helping foster youth obtain personal document, and create a filing system for themselves. Record keeping on events and medical history.

**Date:** Wednesday, February 15, 2012  
**Time:** 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced

**Rights and Responsibilities of a Foster Youth**

This workshop will focus on placement decisions and planning for emancipation. Youth can determine religious involvement, select own clothing, about having friends come over and treat caregivers with respect.

**Date:** Thursday, February 16, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced
El tema: **Certificación de Tasa "D"**
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La fecha: El sábado, el 17 de febrero de 2012
El Tiempo: 9:00 es 0 5:30 P.m.
El presentador: Juanita Cruz, Recomienda para Padres Adoptivos

**Topic:**
**“D” Rate Certification in English**
This workshop will focus on children with severe emotional and or behavior problems and who can benefits from placement in a family home setting. You must attend all 4 days. You may register by calling (310) 537-3808.

Date: Monday, February 20, 2011
Time: 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm
Presenter: Brenda Parks, Advocate for Foster Parents

**Topic:**
**Transitional Housing**
This workshop will focus on interim shelters for foster youth who would otherwise be homeless or who are aging out the foster care system. The program provides case management and a combination of supportive services designed to assist youth in building skills for self sufficiency and to find employment and secure permanent housing.

Date: Tuesday, February 21, 2012
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: Department of Children and Family Services
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**Date:** Wednesday, February 22, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced

**Topic: Positive Parenting Part 1**
In this workshop caregivers will learn techniques to minimize negative behavior by gaining children’s cooperation, tacking their behavior and using encouragement.

**Date:** Thursday, February 23, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced

**Topic: “D” Rate Certification in English**
This workshop will focus on children with severe emotional and or behavior problems and who can benefits from placement in a family home setting. You must attend all 4 days. You may register by calling (310) 537-3808.

**Date:** Monday, February 27, 2012  
**Time:** 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm  
**Presenter:** Brenda Park, Advocate for Foster Parents
**Positive Parenting Part 2**
This workshop will focus on how to set behavior limits and make them work. It also clarifies which limit – approaches work – or don’t work very well. Caregivers and children build mutual understanding on behavior and rewards.

**Date:** Tuesday, February 28, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced

**Positive Parenting Part 3**
In this workshop learn how to make reasonable, clear demands on responsiveness when handling discipline problems. While listening to their input and being responsive to their needs.

**Date:** Wednesday, February 29, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced
March Specialized Topics

Topic: **Prenatal Drug/Alcohol Exposure Part**
This workshop will focus on the lifelong effect of fetal alcohol spectrum disorders. Despite the complexities of living with FASD, educators and parents share insights information and practical strategies to help you make the most of your child’s potential.

Date: Thursday, March 1, 2012
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Rate: "F"
Presenter: To Be Announced

Topic: **What is HIV**
Human Immunodeficiency virus is a virus that gradually attacks immune system cells. As HIV progressively damages these cell the body becomes more vulnerable to infections, which it will have difficulty in fighting off. Learn how to improve the quality and length of life for those children diagnosed with Aids.

Date: Tuesday, March 6, 2012
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Rate: "F"
Presenter: To Be Announced
**Topic:**  **Children and Asthma**  
In this workshop caregivers will learn the best approach when talking to your child about being asthmatic. What are side effects of asthma?

**Date:**  Wednesday, March 7, 2012  
**Time:**  9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:**  “F”  
**Presenter:**  To Be Announced

**Topic:**  **Children and Asthma**  
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**Date:**  Thursday, March 8, 2012  
**Time:**  9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:**  “F”  
**Presenter:**  To Be Announced

**Topic:**  **Diabetes/Obesity**  
This workshop will focus on caring for children that are diagnose with diabetes and obesity. Diabetes is a disease in which the body does not produce or properly use insulin. Obesity means having too much body fat. It is different from being overweight.

**Date:**  Tuesday, March 13, 2012  
**Time:**  9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:**  “F”  
**Presenter:**  To Be Announced
Topic: **Signs & Symptoms Sickle Cell**
This workshop will focus on what is sickle cell. What are sickle cell trait and crisis? Making your life comfortable living with this disease.

Date: Wednesday, March 14, 2012  
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
Rate: “F”  
Presenter: To Be Announced

Topic: **Culturally Competent Parenting**
This workshop will focus on helping children appreciate and maintain their cultural identity, building children’s confidence in dealing with prejudice and racism, and advocating on behalf of children. Explores how a child’s life experiences and the status of culture influence the way he views and experiences the world.

Date: Thursday, March 15, 2012  
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”  
Presenter: To Be Announced

Topic: **Substance – Exposed Infants**
This workshop will focus on prenatally exposed to illegal substances. This workshop will also cover effects of legal and illegal drugs, risks and protective factors, medical and developmental issues, and parenting strategies.

Date: Tuesday, March 20, 2012  
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
Rate: “F”  
Presenter: To Be Announced
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**Subject:**

**Date:** Wednesday, March 21, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced

**Childhood Anxiety Disorders**
This workshop will help caregivers understand children disorder and possible root causes, and then suggests other steps. Disorders discussed include separation anxiety, social anxiety, panic attacks, phobias, and childhood worries.

**Subject:**

**Date:** Thursday, March 22, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced

**Anger Pie**
In this workshop caregivers will learn the ABC’s of behavior in relation to anger outbursts in 5 to 10 years old children.

**Subject:**

**Date:** Tuesday, March 27, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced
**Topic:**  **Anger Pie**  
In this workshop caregivers will learn the ABC’s of behavior in relation to anger outbursts in 5 to 10 years old children.
Discuss the impacts of child maltreatment on behavior, early warning signs of anger, the consequences of anger, healthy anger and when to seek professional help.

**Date:**  Wednesday, March 28, 2012  
**Time:**  6:00 pm – 9:00 pm  
**Rate:**  “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:**  To Be Announced

**Topic:**  **Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder and Oppositional Defiant**  
This workshop will focus on difficulties children have at school, in the community and at home. Learn how to create your own behavior charts for your child and daily routine.

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Spring Break
College is Closed, April 9 thru April 15, 2012

Topic: **Parenting Tips**
This workshop will discuss the many social factors affecting parenting, describing how rearing child has changed over time in response to new social and economic needs.

Date: Tuesday, April 17, 2012
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Rate: “B”,”D”,”F”
Presenter: To Be Announced

Topic: **Foster Care Anti-Discrimination Act (AB458)**
This workshop will discuss the issues facing youth who need our protection because of their sexual orientation. Being gay, lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered is not a crime. Caregivers need to help our children feel safe and follow the law (AB458) which states that youth should not endure abuse and harassment in foster care. Caregivers will understand how to provide the same safe and caring environment needed by all youth and discuss ways to more accepting to gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered.

Date: Wednesday, April 18, 2012
Time: 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Rate: “B”,”D”,”F”
Presenter: To Be Announced
**Joy of Parenting**
In this workshop caregivers will share their successful parenting skills of fostering. Goal of this workshop is networking with other foster/kinship caregivers. Emancipated youth will share their experience being in the system.

**Date:** Thursday, April 19, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced

**Kinship Orientation**
This workshop will focus on helping relative caregivers with many of the answer to some critical concerns they may have. Often unforeseen issues involving such as caring for your kin’s child, knowing the court process, getting financial assistance, adoption and helping your family, presents new difficult worries.

**Date:** Saturday, April 21, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 1:00 pm  
**Presenter:** Lee Gilbert and Linda Jones

**What Does Self-Esteem Mean?**
In this workshop we will define Self-Esteem. Self-Esteem is considered an important component of emotional health, self-esteem encompasses both self confidence and self acceptance. Learn how build positive self-esteem in children.

**Date:** Tuesday, April 24, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced
**Topic:** What Does Self-Esteem Mean?
In this workshop we will define Self-Esteem. Self-Esteem is considered an important component of emotional health, self-esteem encompasses both self confidence and self acceptance. Learn how build positive self-esteem in children.

**Date:** Wednesday, April 25, 2012  
**Time:** 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced

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**Topic:** Round Table with Department of Children and Family Services
This round table will provide caregivers answer to some unsolved question. You must have all questions written down on paper. Only 2 questions per person.

**Date:** Thursday, May 1, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** Department of Children and Family Services

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**Topic:** Education Issues in Foster Care
This workshop will focus on helping caregivers successfully know how to represent children during an Individualized Education Program (IEP) with local schools.

**Date:** Wednesday, May 2, 2012  
**Time:** 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** Brenda Parks, Advocate for Foster Parent
**Topic:**  
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- **Date:** Thursday, May 3, 2012  
- **Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
- **Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
- **Presenter:** Brenda Parks, Advocate for Foster Parent

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**El tema:**  
**Certificación de Tasa "F"**  
Este taller es desarrollado para servir como tanto una introducción como educación básica programan para proveedores de cuidado de adoptivo/parentesco de niños con condiciones médicas especiales. Debe asistir las 4 sesiones, para recibir un certificado de terminación. Puede registrar llamando Pamela Godfrey en (310) 537-3808

- **La fecha:** El sábado, el 5 de mayo de 2012  
- **El Tiempo:** 9:00 es - 5:30 P.m.  
- **El presentador:** Juanita Cruz, Recomienda para Padres Adoptivos

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**Topic:**  
**“F” Rate Certification in English**  
This workshop is develop to serve as both an introduction and basic education program for foster/kinship care providers of children with special medical conditions. You must attend all 4 session, to receive a certificate on completion. You may register by calling Pamela Godfrey at (310) 537-3808.

- **Date:** Monday, May 7, 2012  
- **Time:** 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm  
- **Presenter:** Delores Pace, Register Nurse
Role, Rights and Responsibilities of a foster/kinship Care Provider
This workshop will empower caregivers in knowing their rights and responsibilities of caring for children awarded of the courts.

Date: Tuesday, May 8, 2012
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: To Be Announced

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Time: 6:00 pm -9:00 pm
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: To Be Announced

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Date: Thursday, May 10, 2012
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: Michael Eselum, GLIDE
El tema: La Certificación de la Tasa "F" en español
Este taller es desarrolla para servir como tanto una introducción como educación básica programan para proveedores de cuidado de adoptivo/parentesco de niños con condiciones médicas especiales. Debe asistir las 4 sesiones, para recibir una certificación de terminación

La fecha: El sábado, el 12 de mayo de 2012
El Tiempo: 9:00 es – 5:30 P.m
La tasa: “B”, “D”, “F”
El presentador: Juanita Cruz, Recomienda para Padres Adoptivos

Topic: “F” Rate Certification in English
This workshop is develop to serve as both an introduction and basic education program for foster/kinship care providers of children with special medical conditions. You must attend all four (4) sessions, to receive a certificate of completion.

Date: Monday, May 14, 201112
Time: 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm
Presenter: Delores Pace, Registered Nurse

Topic: Accessing Community Resources available to foster children
This workshop will provided free services in the community for children from low income families. Free daycare, after school care, tutoring, sports at community parks, movie night at local parks for families and etc....

Date: Tuesday, May 15, 2012
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: To Be Announced
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- **Date:** Wednesday, May 16, 2012
- **Time:** 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
- **Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”
- **Presenter:** To Be Announced

**Topic:** “F” Rate Certification in English
This workshop is develop to serve as both an introduction and basic education program for foster/kinship care providers of children with special medical condition. You must attend all 4 sessions, to receive a certificate of completion.

- **Date:** Monday, May 21, 2012
- **Time:** 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
- **Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”
- **Presenter:** Delores Pace

**Topic:** Why Placement Fail
This workshop will help CSW make good choices when placing children in foster homes. By matching the strength of the caregiver to meet the child need. Caregivers will be provided with a list of questions to ask the CSW.

- **Date:** Tuesday, May 22, 2012
- **Time:** 9:00 pm – 12:00 noon
- **Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”
- **Presenter:** To Be Announced
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**Date:** Wednesday, May 23, 2012  
**Time:** 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced

**Topic:** Learn how to Talk to Children about Sex Education  
In this workshop we will discuss when the right time to talk to children about sex. Sex education is a broad term used to describe education about human sexual anatomy, sexual reproduction, sexual intercourse, reproductive health and emotional. Don’t let fear get in the way of talking with your child.

**Date:** Thursday, May 24, 2012  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
**Rate:** “B”, “D”, “F”  
**Presenter:** To Be Announced

**Topic:** “F” Rate Certification  
This workshop is develop to serve as both a introduction and basic education program for foster/kinship care provider of children with special medical conditions. You must attend all 4 sessions, to receive a certificate of completion.

**Date:** Monday, May 28, 2012  
**Time:** 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm  
**Presenter:** Delores Pace, Register Nurse
Topic: **Fire - Setting**
The biggest fear in foster care is fire-setting. Caregivers will have a clear understanding of four distinctly types of fire-setting behavior, and presents some unique and effective ways parents can respond.

Date: Tuesday, May 29, 2012
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: Compton Fire Department

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Date: Wednesday, May 30, 2012
Time: 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: Compton Fire Department

Topic: **Foster Youth on Probation**
This workshop will encourage caregivers to continue working with the youth and help them make better choices in life. Learn what keep the youth motivated to achieve their goals about education and themselves.

Date: Thursday, May 31, 2012
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: Renee Griffin, Los Angeles Probation
June
Parenting Skills

Topic: *Kinship Orientation*
This workshop will focus on helping relative caregivers with many of the answers to some critical concerns they may have. Often unforeseen issues involving such as caring for your kin’s child, knowing the court process, getting financial assistance, adoption and helping your family, presents new difficult worries.

Date: Saturday, June 2, 2012
Time: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm
Presenter: Lee Gilbert and Linda Jones, Advocate for Foster Parents

Topic: *What is Childhood Trauma?*
Trauma is used to describe experiences or situation that are emotionally painful and distressing and that overwhelm people’s ability to cope.

Date: Tuesday, June 5, 2012
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: To Be Announced

Topic: *Decision Making Skills*
In this workshop, the participant will explore how decision making skills help an individual resist pressures (peer or self) and new ways of doing things.

Date: Wednesday, June 6, 2012
Time: 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: To Be Announced
Topic: **Self –Harm**
This workshop will discuss techniques

Date: Thursday, June 7, 2012
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: To Be Announced

Topic: **Assembly Bill AB12**
This workshop will focus on the Assembly Bill AB12 to protect and enhance the benefits and services available to California’s foster youths. The bill will extending foster benefits and services through age 21. AB12 will ensure foster youth have access to important resources as they transition into adulthood.

Date: Tuesday, June 12, 2012
Time: 9:00 am -12:00 noon
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: To Be Announced

Topic: **Stealing**
This workshop will give parents the understanding and knowledge to deal with 4 different types of stealing: Shoplifting, Stealing because of envy or revenge, Stealing from loved ones, and kleptomania.

Date: Wednesday, June 13, 2012
Time: 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: To Be Announced
Anger Outbursts
This workshop will focus on helping children manage their anger outbursts. Although the primary reason for angry outbursts is trying to get what we want, their instinct makes them believe otherwise.

Date: Thursday, June 14, 2012
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: To Be Announced

Attachment
This workshop will focus on helping children with attachment disorders or attachment problems. Helping children that have difficulty connecting to others and managing their own emotions.

Date: Tuesday, June 19, 2012
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
Rate: “B”, “D”, “F”
Presenter: To Be Announced