### Upcoming Foster, Adoptive, Relative Parent FOUNDATION Trainings

Please note: registration is required. For assistance contact mcwp@uwm.edu or 414-964-7400

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| **Foster Parent Foundation Module 1: Partners in Permanency**  
This workshop introduces the parent or caregiver to the primary goals of child protective services and how these services can help achieve protection and permanence for children and their families. The parent or caregiver is introduced into his or her role as a member of the team and how collaboration with caseworkers, the child protection agency and other professionals is imperative to serving the child, birth family and foster parent. The importance of advocacy for the child is also emphasized as the best interest of the child needs to be considered during case planning, with schools and other service agencies/providers.  
**Tues Jan 16, 2018 (5:30-8:30pm)**  
**Sat April 21, 2018 (9am-12pm)** |
| **Foster Parent Foundation Module 2: Cultural Dynamics in Placement**  
This workshop presents an overview of culture and the ways in which our values and codes of conduct are impacted by culture. Participants learn to separate culture from race and learn to identify the many and complex ingredients of cultural identity. Caregivers also will learn methods to more successfully parent a child from a different culture.  
**Tues Jan 23, 2018 (5:30-8:30pm)** |  
**Sat April 21, 2018 (12:30-3:30pm)** |
| **Foster Parent Foundation Module 3: Maintaining Family Connectedness**  
This workshop provides information about the losses experienced by birth families, expected behaviors of grieving birth parents and ways to work effectively with birth families along a continuum of contacts. Parents or caregivers also learn how to identify key members of the child’s birth family and the significance of sibling connections.  
**Tues Jan 30, 2018 (5:30-8:30pm)** |  
**Sat May 5, 2018 (9am-12pm)** |
| **Foster Parent Foundation Module 4a: Dynamics of Abuse and Neglect Part 1**  
This workshop familiarizes the parent or caregiver with the dynamics of physical and sexual abuse, emotional maltreatment and neglect, as well as the physical and behavioral indicators in children. Parents or caregivers also become familiar with the types of family situations that can contribute to abuse and neglect. Laws regarding mandatory reporting of suspected abuse and neglect are also examined.  
**Tues Feb 6, 2018 (5:30-8:30pm)** |  
**Sat May 5, 2018 (12:30-3:30)** |
| **Foster Parent Foundation Module 5: Impact of Maltreatment on Child Development**  
This workshop provides information about the losses experienced by birth families, expected behaviors of grieving birth parents and ways to work effectively with birth families along a continuum of contacts. Parents or caregivers also learn how to identify key members of the child’s birth family and the significance of sibling connections.  
**Tues Feb 20, 2018 (5:30-8:30pm)** |  
**Sat May 19, 2018 (12:30-3:30)** |
| **Foster Parent Foundation Module 6: Attachment**  
This workshop demonstrates normal, healthy attachment and how it influences child development. Parents/caregivers are introduced to how attachment is the foundation for guidance and positive discipline, and how it is impacted by separation from primary parents, siblings and other attachment figures. Participants also learn to identify stages of separation in the grieving process as well as strategies to reduce the trauma to children who have experienced separations from significant others.  
**Tues Feb 27, 2018 (5:30-8:30pm)** |  
**Sat June 2, 2018 (9am-12pm)** |
| **Foster Parent Foundation Module 7: Separation and Placement**  
This module examines the effects of separation on the child within their cultural context. Participants also learn to identify stages in the grieving process as well as strategies to reduce the trauma to children who have experienced separations from significant others. In addition, the course also examines issues related to emotional conflict and the impact of multiple placements on the child.  
**Tues March 6, 2018 (5:30-8:30pm)** |  
**Sat June 2, 2018 (12:30-3:30pm)** |
| **Foster Parent Foundation Module 8: Guidance and Positive Discipline**  
This workshop examines the reasons for behavioral problems in foster and adopted children. The workshop also explains the agency policy regarding corporal punishment and the underlying reasons for that policy. Finally, participants receive information on positive ways to manage behavior, including natural and logical consequences, contracting and rewards.  
**Tues March 13, 2018 (5:30-8:30pm)** |  
**Sat June 16, 2018 (9am-12pm)** |
| **Foster Parent Foundation Module 9: Effects of Fostering on the Family**  
This workshop examines the impact of foster care, adoption, and kinship care on the family system. Information is presented on disclosure of important information to foster and adoptive parents and protocols for handling challenges specific to foster care. The workshop enables prospective parents to develop effective coping strategies and survival plans.  
**Tues March 20, 2018 (5:30-8:30pm)** |  
**Sat June 16, 2018 (12:30-3:30pm)** |

For more locations go to: pdsonline.csod.com or MCWP website: www.uwm.edu/mcwp

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