

# West Virginia Foster & Adoptive Care



IN-SERVICE SCHEDULE  
REGION IV  
JULY 2019 - JUNE 2020



**“Be a rainbow in someone else’s cloud.”**

**- Maya Angelou**

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THE PROVISION OF THE SCHEDULED TRAINING HEREIN IS CONTINGENT UPON CONTINUED SUPPORT THROUGH A FEDERAL IV-E GRANT ADMINISTERED THROUGH A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN CONCORD UNIVERSITY AND THE WV DHHR BUREAU FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES, DIVISION OF TRAINING

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## What is In-Service Training?

*For over two decades the PRIDE Model of Practice has increased opportunities for child welfare agencies to provide a standardized, consistent, structured framework for the competency-based recruitment, preparation, assessment, selection, of foster and adoptive (resource) parents, and for foster parent in-service training and ongoing professional development. The PRIDE Model of Practice is used, in whole or in part, across the United States and in more than 25 countries. ([www.cwla.org/pride-training](http://www.cwla.org/pride-training))*

In-Service modules present an opportunity for foster and adoptive parents to deepen their level of knowledge and skills. The ten Level II modules build upon the Level One, or Preservice, modules. The Level III modules are presented to address issues brought by our families, or to deal with specific problem areas. Additionally, three trauma modules have been added. These modules must be taken consecutively as soon as possible after Level I has been completed.

In addition to their participation in classroom-style Level II training, the foster and adoptive parents' learning needs identified during the Family Development Plan (FDP) may be addressed through other available educational supports including consultations with agency staff from particular program areas, with foster and adoptive support specialists, and with representatives from local human service agencies. Print materials (books, magazines, pamphlets, articles, etc.), videos, and self-instruction materials may also be made available for advancing foster and adoptive parents' levels of knowledge and skills.

Resource material, assembled in PRIDE books and issued to participants, are important components. These materials include printed content and worksheets to be used during each session and information which may also be used at home as an ongoing resource. A special

feature of the training is performing the Level One (Preservice) and Level II & III (In-service) Foster and Adoptive Care Training Activities. These are “at-home activities” which provide opportunities for foster and adoptive parents to practice what they learned in training and/or to prepare them for learning new information in future sessions.

If you wish to attend a In-Service, or Trauma training, you must contact Concord University Social Work Department at 1-304-716-4998 or [wvfact@concord.edu](mailto:wvfact@concord.edu) to pre-register for all In-services at least 48 hours before the training begins. In the event the minimum attendance limit is not met for a particular session, it may be canceled unless the home finding specialist requests otherwise. If a In-Service training is canceled, only registered participants will be directly notified. It is our hope that no sessions will be canceled; therefore, it is extremely important to pre-register.

Please do not duplicate or repeat training topics unless directed to do so by your agency representative. Unauthorized repetitions will not count towards your yearly training requirement.

Please note that if schools are closed due to inclement weather, there will be no training in that county. Participants will be contacted in regard to rescheduling the training.

Children are not allowed to attend the sessions due to the nature of the material. We apologize for any inconvenience.

For more information please visit us at <http://www.wvfact.com> or you may email us at [wvfact@concord.edu](mailto:wvfact@concord.edu).

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Information in this table is correct as of time of printing, but is subject to change. If you are unsure of your homefinder, please call your local DHHR to get the information.

## Therapeutic & Specialized Family Foster Care Agencies

Appalachian Community Health	Statewide	304-636-3232
Braley & Thompson - RESCARE	Statewide	304-744-2155
Burlington United Methodist Family Services	Beckley	304-252-8508
Children's Home Society	Lewisburg	304-645-1302
Children's Home Society	Northfork	304-862-4950
Children's Home Society	Princeton	304-431-2424
Children's Home Society	Summersville	304-872-8190
Genesis Youth Crisis Center	Clarksburg	304-622-1907
Kanawha Valley Center	Charleston	304-347-9818
Mission West Virginia	Statewide	304-562-0723
Pressley Ridge of Southern West Virginia	Statewide	304-252-1106

The provision of this training is contingent upon continued support through a federal IV-E grant administered through a partnership between Concord University and the WVDHHR Bureau of Children and Families, Division of Training.



# Beckley Trauma Training Schedule

Trauma I	Tuesday, August 6, 2019	6:00 PM
Trauma II	Thursday, August 8, 2019	6:00 PM
Trauma III	Tuesday, August 13, 2019	6:00 PM
Trauma I **	Saturday, September 28, 2019	1:00 PM
Trauma II **	Saturday, October 5, 2019	9:00 AM
Trauma III **	Saturday, October 5, 2019	1:00 PM
Trauma I	Saturday, January 4, 2020	1:00 PM
Trauma II	Saturday, January 11, 2020	9:00 AM
Trauma III	Saturday, January 11, 2020	1:00 PM
Trauma I	Saturday, February 1, 2020	1:00 PM
Trauma II	Saturday, February 8, 2020	9:00 AM
Trauma III	Saturday, February 8, 2020	1:00 PM
Trauma I **	Saturday, March 28, 2020	1:00 PM
Trauma II **	Saturday, April 4, 2020	9:00 AM
Trauma III **	Saturday, April 4, 2020	1:00 PM
Trauma I	Saturday, June 13, 2019	9:00 AM
Trauma II	Saturday, June 13, 2019	1:00 PM
Trauma III	Saturday, June 27, 2019	9:00 AM

Trainings will be held at the Raleigh County Department of Health & Human Resources - Located at 407 Neville Street, Beckley, WV 25801  
 Trainings will take place at the Raleigh County DHHR unless otherwise indicated by (\*\*).



## Beckley In-Service Schedule

Issues Related to Sexuality	Saturday, July 13, 2019	9:00 AM
Understanding Poverty	Saturday, July 13, 2019	1:00 PM
Self-Care	Thursday, August 15, 2019	6:00 PM
Complex Behavior **	Tuesday, December 17, 2019	6:00 PM
Resilience 101	Thursday, January 16, 2020	6:00 PM
Fetal Alcohol Syndrome / Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome	Thursday, February 6, 2020	6:00 PM
Personal & Cultural Identity	Thursday, March 12, 2020	6:00 PM
Mental Illness & Foster Children **	Tuesday, April 11, 2020	6:00 PM
Building Strong Families	Thursday, April 16, 2020	6:00 PM
ADHD to Autism	Thursday, May 14, 2020	6:00 PM
Promoting Positive Self Esteem **	Tuesday, May 26, 2020	6:00 PM
Cyber Safety	Saturday, June 27, 2020	1:00 PM

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## Braxton County Trauma Training Schedule

Trauma I	October 26, 2019	9:00 AM
Trauma II	October 26, 2019	1:00 PM
Trauma III	November 2, 2019	9:00 AM
Trauma I	Febrary 22, 2020	9:00 AM
Trauma II	February 22, 2020	1:00 PM
Trauma III	February 29, 2020	9:00 AM
Trauma I	April 25, 2020	9:00 AM
Trauma II	April 25, 2020	1:00 PM
Trauma III	May 2, 2020	9:00 AM

Trainings will be held at the Braxton County Department of Health & Human Resources - Located at 3708 Sutton Lane, Sutton, WV 26604

**UNLESS SOMEONE LIKE YOU  
CARES A WHOLE AWFUL LOT,  
NOTHING IS GOING TO GET  
BETTER. IT'S NOT.**

~ DR. SEUSS

## Braxton County In-Service Schedule

Promoting Positive Self Esteem	September 3, 2019	6:00 PM
Fetal Alcohol Syndrome	November 2, 2019	1:00 PM
Cyber Safety	February 29, 2020	1:00 PM
Building Strong Families	April 2, 2020	6:00 PM
Working With Sexually Abused Children	May 12, 2020	6:00 PM

Trainings will be held at the Braxton County Department of Health & Human Resources -  
Located at 3708 Sutton Lane, Sutton, WV 26604

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## Lewisburg Trauma Training Schedule

Trauma I	September 21, 2019	9:00 AM
Trauma II	September 21, 2019	1:00 PM
Trauma III	September 28, 2019	9:00 AM
Trauma I	November 16, 2019	9:00 AM
Trauma II	November 16, 2019	1:00 PM
Trauma III	November 23, 2019	9:00 AM
Trauma I	February 27, 2020	6:00 PM
Trauma II	March 3, 2020	6:00 PM
Trauma III	March 5, 2020	6:00 PM
Trauma I	May 30, 2020	9:00 AM
Trauma II	May 30, 2020	1:00 PM
Trauma III	June 6, 2020	9:00 AM

Trainings will be held at the Greenbrier County Department of Health & Human Resources located at 316 Maple Wood Avenue, Suite 3, Lewisburg, WV 24907

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# Lewisburg In-Service Schedule

Chemical Dependency	September 14, 2019	9:00 AM
Mental Illness & Foster Children	September 14, 2019	1:00 PM
Self Care	September 28, 2019	1:00 PM
Building Effective Communication Skills	November 12, 2019	6:00 PM
Building Strong Families	November 23, 2019	1:00 PM
Promoting Personal & Cultural Identity	March 12, 2020	6:00 PM
Resilience 101	April 14, 2020	6:00 PM
Cyber Safety	June 6, 2020	1:00 PM

## Pineville Trauma Training Schedule

Trauma I	November 16, 2019	9:00 AM
Trauma II	November 16, 2019	1:00 PM
Trauma III	November 23, 2019	9:00 AM
Trauma I	May 30, 2020	9:00 AM
Trauma II	May 30, 2020	1:00 PM
Trauma III	June 6, 2020	9:00 AM

Training will be held at the Wyoming County Department of Health & Human Resources located at 1767 Bearhold Road, Pineville, WV 24874.



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Resilience 101	July 16, 2019	6:00 PM
Chemical Dependency	September 12, 2019	6:00 PM
Understanding Poverty	November 23, 2019	1:00 PM
Working With Children Who Have Experienced Trauma	February 11, 2020	6:00 PM
Building Strong Families	March 3, 2020	6:00 PM
Fetal Alcohol Syndrome/NAS	June 6, 2020	1:00 PM

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# Princeton Trauma Training Schedule

Trauma I	July 13, 2019	9:00 AM
Trauma II	July 13, 2019	1:00 PM
Trauma III	July 20, 2019	9:00 AM
Trauma I	September 7, 2019	9:00 AM
Trauma II	September 7, 2019	1:00 PM
Trauma III	September 14, 2019	9:00 AM
Trauma I	November 2, 2019	1:00 PM
Trauma II	November 9, 2019	9:00 AM
Trauma III	November 9, 2019	1:00 PM
Trauma I	January 4, 2020	9:00 AM
Trauma II	January 4, 2020	1:00 PM
Trauma III	January 11, 2020	9:00 AM
Trauma I	March 14, 2020	9:00 AM
Trauma II	March 14, 2020	1:00 PM
Trauma III	March 21, 2020	9:00 AM
Trauma I	May 9, 2020	9:00 AM
Trauma II	May 9, 2020	1:00 PM
Trauma III	May 16, 2020	9:00 AM

## Princeton In-Service Schedule

Cyber Safety	July 20, 2019	1:00 PM
Fetal Alcohol Syndrome/ NAS	September 14, 2019	1:00 PM
Working With Sexually Abused Children **	September 19, 2019	6:00 PM
Mental Illness & Foster Children	January 11, 2020	1:00 PM
ADHD to Autism **	January 16, 2020	6:00 PM
Promoting Positive Communication	February 29, 2020	9:00 AM
Resilience 101	February 29, 2020	1:00 PM
Building Strong Families	March 21, 2019	1:00 PM
Cyber Safety	May 16, 2020	1:00 PM
Using Discipline	June 27, 2020	9:00 AM
Understanding Poverty	June 27, 2020	1:00 PM

Saturday training sessions will be held at the Mercer County Health & Human Resources located at 350 Davis Street, Princeton, WV 24740.

\*\* Weeknight training sessions will be held at the Children's Home Society building located at 205 Center Street, Princeton, WV 24740.

## Summersville Trauma Training Schedule

Trauma I	September 21, 2019	9:00 AM
Trauma II	September 21, 2019	1:00 PM
Trauma III	September 28, 2019	9:00 AM
Trauma I	January 4, 2020	9:00 AM
Trauma II	January 4, 2020	1:00 PM
Trauma III	January 11, 2020	9:00 AM
Trauma I	March 14, 2020	9:00 AM
Trauma II	March 14, 2020	1:00 PM
Trauma III	March 21, 2020	9:00 AM
Trauma I	June 6, 2020	9:00 AM
Trauma II	June 6, 2020	1:00 PM
Trauma III	June 13, 2020	9:00 AM

Training will be held at the Summersville Regional Medical Center located at 400 Fairview Heights Road, Summersville, WV 26651.

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Training will be held at the Summersville Regional Medical Center located at 400 Fairview Heights Road, Summersville, WV 26651.

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## Welch Trauma Training Schedule

Trauma I	September 28, 2019	1:00 PM
Trauma II	October 5, 2019	9:00 AM
Trauma III	October 5, 2019	1:00 PM
Trauma I	February 15, 2020	1:00 PM
Trauma II	February 22, 2020	9:00 AM
Trauma III	February 22, 2020	1:00 PM
Trauma I	April 18, 2020	9:00 AM
Trauma II	April 18, 2020	1:00 PM
Trauma III	April 28, 2020	6:00 PM

Training will be held at Welch Community Hospital located at 454 McDowell Street, Welch, WV 24801

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## Welch In-Service Schedule

Domestic Violence	August 10, 2019	9:00 AM
Resilience 101	August 10, 2019	1:00 PM
Issues Related to Sexuality	November 12, 2019	6:00 PM
Mental Illness & Foster Children	February 25, 2020	6:00 PM
Promoting Personal & Cultural Identity	March 10, 2020	6:00 PM
Issues Related to Sexuality	May 12, 2020	6:00 PM
Building Strong Families	June 16, 2020	6:00 PM

Training will be held at Welch Community Hospital located at 454 McDowell Street, Welch, WV 24801

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## Frequently Asked Questions

### **Why do I have to take these trauma classes?**

Trauma can have different meanings to different people. In the instance of these classes the trauma talked about is the psychosocial, psychological, and emotional trauma that all children in foster care have endured. During these classes the instructors will guide participants in what to expect and how to aid in healing the unseen scars the trauma has inflicted.

### **How many classes do I have to attend?**

The number of classes needed to continue the status as a certified foster home varies between agencies. To determine how many hours of training is needed to maintain the certification, please contact your homefinding agency.

### **Do I have to attend the sessions in order?**

Trauma sessions do have to be taken in order, and cannot be taken out of order.

### **How will I know if my In-Service is canceled?**

If an In-Service does not have the required number of registered participants, the training will be canceled the day of the training. Every effort is made to contact the registered participants if the session is canceled. Once the decision has been made to cancel the session, the information is passed on to the homefinders and posted on the WVFACT.come site as well as on the facebook page ([www.facebook.com/wvfact](http://www.facebook.com/wvfact)). Registrants are always encouraged to check with these websites or contact the Social Work Department of Concord University to verify if a session has been canceled. You can reach the Social Work Department at 304-716-4998 or by E-Mail at [wvfact@concord.edu](mailto:wvfact@concord.edu).



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