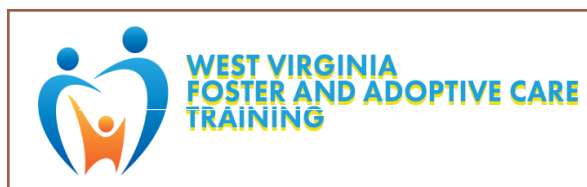


West Virginia Foster & Adoptive Care



Trauma / In-Service Training
Schedule

July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023



“Sometimes our work as caregivers is not for the faint of heart. But, you will never know what you are made of until you step into the fire. Step bravely!”

- Deborah A. Beasley

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What is In-Service Training?

The needs of Foster Parents and Caregivers change as they continue on the path of providing a healing home for children in care. For this reason, different training modules are continuously developed to help Foster Parents / Caregivers gain the knowledge and community to navigate this ever changing dynamic between Children in Foster Care and the families who are there to aid in healing.

Why do I have to take Trauma classes?

Trauma-informed resource parenting involves an ongoing awareness of how traumatic experiences may affect children, families, and the human services professionals who serve them (NCTSN, 2016). These trainings are intended to give the foster / kinship families information that will prepare them for caring for a child who experienced trauma. The goals of these training include the following: Help families realize the impact of trauma; Reconize the signs and symptoms of trauma; Prevent the retraumatization of children in foster care; Fewer children requiring crisis services, such as emergency department visits or residential treatment; Fewer foster home placements, including reentries ; Overall improved child functioning and well-being. (HHS, SAMHSA, 2014)

- Childcare is NOT provided. Due to the sensitive nature of the material, children are not allowed to attend any WVFACT Training.
- Inclement Weather Procedure: If schools are cancelled in the county where the in-seat training is scheduled to take place, class will be cancelled.
- While it is our intention that the schedule will not be changed, it is sometimes unavoidable. Participants are encouraged to check www.wvfact.com or www.facebook.com/wvfact to confirm no changes have been made.

Trainers will discuss and work with families to develop and improve the following essential competencies necessary for all Foster and Adoptive families:

- Protecting and nurturing children
- Meeting children's developmental needs and addressing developmental delays
- Supporting relationships between children and their families
- Connecting children to safe, nurturing relationships intended to last a lifetime
- Working as a member of a professional Multi-Disciplinary Team (MDT).

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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 name.

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.

July 2022 In-Service Schedule

Self-Care	July 12, 2022	6:00 PM	ZOOM
Trauma 1	July 23, 2022	9:00 AM	ZOOM
Trauma 2	July 23, 2022	1:00 PM	ZOOM
Trauma 3	July 30, 2022	9:00 AM	ZOOM
Cyber Safety	July 30, 2022	1:00 PM	ZOOM

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August 2022 In-Service Schedule

Trauma 1	August 20, 2022	9:00 AM	ZOOM
Trauma 2	August 20, 2022	1:00 PM	ZOOM
Trauma 3	August 27, 2022	9:00 AM	ZOOM
NAS/FAS	August 27, 2022	1:00 PM	ZOOM

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September 2022 In-Service Schedule

Trauma 1	September 17, 2022	9:00 AM	ZOOM
Trauma 2	September 17, 2022	1:00 PM	ZOOM
Trauma 3	September 24, 2022	9:00 AM	ZOOM
Promoting Positive Self Esteem	September 24, 2022	1:00 PM	ZOOM

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October 2022 In-Service Schedule

Trauma 1	October 15, 2022	9:00 AM	In-Seat: Welch
Trauma 2	October 15, 2022	1:00 PM	In-Seat: Welch
Trauma 3	October 22, 2022	9:00 AM	In-Seat: Welch
Foster Children & the Holidays	October 22, 2022	1:00 PM	In-Seat: Welch
Trauma 1	October 18, 2022	6:00 PM	ZOOM
Trauma 2	October 20, 2022	6:00 PM	ZOOM
Trauma 3	October 25, 2022	6:00 PM	ZOOM
Cyber Safety	October 27, 2022	6:00 PM	ZOOM

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November 2022 In-Service Schedule

Trauma 1	November 5, 2022	9:00 AM	ZOOM
Trauma 2	November 5, 2022	1:00 PM	ZOOM
Trauma 3	November 12, 2022	9:00 AM	ZOOM
Understanding Discipline	November 12, 2022	1:00 PM	ZOOM

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January 2023 In-Service Schedule

Trauma 1	January 21, 2023	9:00 AM	ZOOM
Trauma 2	January 21, 2023	1:00 PM	ZOOM
Trauma 3	January 28, 2023	9:00 AM	ZOOM
ADHD to Autism	January 28, 2023	1:00 PM	ZOOM

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February 2023 In-Service Schedule

Trauma 1	February 18, 2023	9:00 AM	ZOOM
Trauma 2	Februray 18, 2023	1:00 PM	ZOOM
Trauma 3	February 25, 2023	9:00 PM	ZOOM
Understanding Discipline	February 25, 2023	1:00 PM	ZOOM

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March 2023 In-Service Schedule

Trauma 1	March 18, 2023	9:00 AM	ZOOM
Trauma 2	March 18, 2023	1:00 PM	ZOOM
Trauma 3	March 25, 2023	9:00 AM	ZOOM
Teens In Care	March 25, 2023	1:00 PM	ZOOM

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April 2023 In-Service Schedule

Trauma 1	April 18, 2023	6:00 PM	ZOOM
Trauma 2	April 20, 2023	6:00 PM	ZOOM
Trauma 3	April 25, 2023	6:00 PM	ZOOM
Communication Skills	April 27, 2023	6:00 PM	ZOOM
Trauma 1	April 22, 2023	9:00 AM	Welch CoA
Trauma 2	April 22, 2023	1:00 PM	Welch CoA
Trauma 3	April 29, 2023	9:00 AM	Welch CoA
Cyber Safety	April 29, 2023	1:00 PM	Welch CoA

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May 2023 In-Service Schedule

Trauma 1	May 13, 2023	9:00 AM	ZOOM
Trauma 2	May 13, 2023	1:00 PM	ZOOM
Trauma 3	May 20, 2023	9:00 AM	ZOOM
Resiliency	May 20, 2023	1:00 PM	ZOOM

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June 2023 In-Service Schedule

Trauma 1	June 17, 2023	9:00 AM	ZOOM
Trauma 2	June 17, 2023	1:00 PM	ZOOM
Trauma 3	June 24, 2023	9:00 AM	ZOOM
Fetal Alcohol Syndrome / Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome	June 24, 2023	1:00 PM	ZOOM

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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.com site as well as on the facebook page (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 3043845189 or by E-Mail at wvfact@concord.edu.

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