

# August-December 2026 Preservice Training Schedule



**Department of  
Children & Youth**

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North Central Ohio Regional Training Center



Welcome! Your journey to becoming a certified caregiver starts here.

Preservice Training is required for all new caregivers.

If you are getting certified through a county agency, these pages will give you the information you need to register and complete the Preservice Training Series.

Cuyahoga County caregivers must register for Preservice Training by contacting the Recruitment Department:

 216-881-5775 [www.everychildneedsfamily.com](http://www.everychildneedsfamily.com)

Or visit the Preservice Class Schedules website:

 [www.cfs.cuyahogacounty.us](http://www.cfs.cuyahogacounty.us)

If you are getting certified through a private foster care or adoption agency, please contact the Cuyahoga County Division of Children and Family Services Recruitment Department for requirements.





## **Have you considered becoming a Foster Parent?**

**We are currently looking to increase our number of bilingual foster families. Having foster parents who can speak and understand multiple languages will open better lines of communication at home and allow for better advocacy on behalf of the youth. We now offer bilingual training for foster parents.**



Cuyahoga County  
Division of Children and Family Services  
Foster and Adoption Recruitment  
3955 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, Ohio 44115  
216-881-5775

**Call 216-881-5775  
to register!**



## Capacitación para padres de crianza

**Actualmente estamos buscando aumentar nuestro número de familias de acogida bilingües. Tener padres de acogida que puedan hablar y entender varios idiomas abrirá mejores vías de comunicación en el hogar y permitirá una mejor defensa en nombre de los jóvenes. Ahora ofrecemos capacitación bilingüe para padres de acogida.**



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# CAREGIVER COACH PROGRAM



We are excited to announce a new service for caregivers!

Caregiver Coaching is a short-term intervention that provides foster, adoptive, and kinship caregivers interested in becoming certified with hands-on, here and now tools for bringing about rapid and dramatic improvement in their skill set.

Through a variety of formats, including both in-person and virtual, the coach works with caregivers to provide a customized experience that includes teaching effective parenting methods and enhancing their knowledge of community based resources.

For more information please contact:  
Tawanda.Mccoy2@jfs.ohio.gov  
Office 216.698.2984  
Cell 216.304.1402  
or visit the [DCFS Intranet](#)



Cuyahoga County  
Division of Children and Family Services



# **In-Person Training Locations:**

## **Old Brooklyn DJFS Building**

4261 Fulton Parkway Cleveland, OH. 44144

## **Cuyahoga County Library Branches:**

Bay Village - 27400 Wolf Rd. Bay Village, OH. 44140

Berea - 7 Berea Commons - Berea, OH. 44017

Fairview Park - 21255 Lorain Rd. Fairview Park, OH. 44126

Middleburg Heights - 16699 Bagley Rd, Cleveland, OH 44130

Olmsted Falls - 8100 Mapleway Dr, Olmsted Falls, OH 44138

Parma Heights - 10698 Notabene Dr. Parma Heights, OH. 44130

Parma Snow - 2121 Snow Rd, Parma, OH. 44134

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## Preservice Training Overview

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| The Basics Of Placement                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | August 4, 2026 | 6:00pm-8:30pm   | Trainer: Lamar King | Virtual - Session-#25469<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, helps learners understand how children come into care and are matched with a family. Laws influencing matching decisions are discussed, including MEPA, ICWA, Title VI. Learners will understand the importance making an informed decision about the placement and how to create an environment in which the child feels safe.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                 |                |                 |                     |                                          |
| Trauma Overview                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | August 6, 2026 | 6:00pm-7:30pm   | Trainer: Lamar King | Virtual - Session-#25473<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, defines trauma and explores how trauma influences brain architecture, development, and the ability to attach. Learners will consider how trauma may impact not just the child, but others on the child protection team. Learners will think about how their trauma histories may impact how they will provide care.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                             |                |                 |                     |                                          |
| The Impact of Trauma on Children in Care                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | August 6, 2026 | 7:45pm-9:15pm   | Trainer: Lamar King | Virtual - Session-#25476<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, focuses on how trauma impacts the children in care. Learners will consider what new skills and knowledge they will need to provide appropriate care to children who have been impacted by trauma.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families.</p>                                                                                                                                                              |                |                 |                     |                                          |
| Effects of Caregiving                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | August 8, 2026 | 9:00am-11:00am  | Trainer: Lamar King | Virtual - Session-#25478<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explains the importance of permanency and reviews permanency options for children in care, including reunification and adoption. Adoption supports, including subsidies, are discussed. Learners will consider how they can help prepare children for permanency.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                                                               |                |                 |                     |                                          |
| Permanency                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | August 8, 2026 | 11:15am-12:15pm | Trainer: Lamar King | Virtual - Session-#25479<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, provides caregivers with the knowledge and skills needed to recognize and respond appropriately to cardiac, breathing, first aid, and environmental emergencies. Learners will gain awareness in giving immediate care to an injured or ill person and to decide whether advanced medical care is needed for all ages, including adults, children, and infants.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                |                 |                     |                                          |
| Maintaining the Child's Connections                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | August 8, 2026 | 1:15pm-2:45pm   | Trainer: Lamar King | Virtual - Session-#25481<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explores the importance of maintaining the child's connections to their primary family and other important adults and peers. Learners will be introduced to the C.A.R.E. Guide, Ohio's recommended best practice in co-parenting. Learners will consider strategies to support the child's important relationships.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                             |                |                 |                     |                                          |

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| Partnering with Primary Families                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | August 8, 2026  | 3:00pm-4:30pm | Trainer: Lamar King      | Virtual - Session-#25549<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, helps learners understand their need to partner with the primary family for the child's benefit. The importance of empathy is explored, and learners consider child protection from the perspective of the primary family. Learners will hear about the value of partnering from those with lived experience.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                                                           |                 |               |                          |                                          |
| Adult, Child, Infant CPR/First Aid/AED                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | August 10, 2026 | 6:00pm-9:15pm | Trainer: Kandice Chapman | Virtual - Session-#25207<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
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| Child Development                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | August 11, 2026 | 6:00pm-8:00pm | Trainer: Lamar King      | Virtual - Session-#25480<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
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| Adolescent Development                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | August 11, 2026 | 8:15pm-9:15pm | Trainer: Lamar King      | Virtual - Session-#25905<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explores what happens during adolescence, including brain development, identity development, and life skills development. Learners will consider how they can support adolescents through this period of development.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                                                                                                                                                   |                 |               |                          |                                          |
| Discipline Foundations                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | August 11, 2026 | 5:30pm-7:30pm | Trainer: Lamar King      | Virtual - Session-#25553<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, discusses the knowledge and skills needed to appropriately discipline children. Learners will consider the importance of re-framing behavior and taking an approach that focuses on relationship, managing their emotions, and being intentional. Learners will also discover how to determine if a discipline strategy is appropriate in CAPS.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                         |                 |               |                          |                                          |
| Enhancing the Child's Sense of Belonging                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | August 11, 2026 | 7:45pm-9:15pm | Trainer: Lamar King      | Virtual - Session-#27129<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, prepares learners to create welcoming and supportive homes for children entering their care. Learners explore the lived experiences of children in foster care, the importance of belonging, and how assumptions can affect relationships. Through guided reflection and practical strategies, learners will understand what is needed to enhance the sense of belonging for every child in their home.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                 |               |                          |                                          |

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| Adult, Child, Infant CPR/First Aid/AED                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | August 26, 2026 | 6:00pm-9:15pm | Trainer: Kandice Chapman | Virtual - Session-#25229<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, provides caregivers with the knowledge and skills needed to recognize and respond appropriately to cardiac, breathing, first aid, and environmental emergencies. Learners will gain awareness in giving immediate care to an injured or ill person and to decide whether advanced medical care is needed for all ages, including adults, children, and infants.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                 |               |                          |                                          |

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| The Basics Of Placement                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | September 1, 2026 | 6:00pm-8:30pm | Trainer: Susan Darden-Kautz | In-person-Session-#25702<br>Cuyahoga County Library -<br>Parma Snow Branch - 2121<br>Snow Rd, Parma, OH. 44134 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, helps learners understand how children come into care and are matched with a family. Laws influencing matching decisions are discussed, including MEPA, ICWA, Title VI. Learners will understand the importance making an informed decision about the placement and how to create an environment in which the child feels safe.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                   |               |                             |                                                                                                                |
| Trauma Overview                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | September 3, 2026 | 5:30pm-7:00pm | Trainer: Susan Darden-Kautz | In-person-Session-#25706<br>Cuyahoga County Library -<br>Parma Snow Branch - 2121<br>Snow Rd, Parma, OH. 44134 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, defines trauma and explores how trauma influences brain architecture, development, and the ability to attach. Learners will consider how trauma may impact not just the child, but others on the child protection team. Learners will think about how their trauma histories may impact how they will provide care.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>             |                   |               |                             |                                                                                                                |
| The Impact of Trauma on Children in Care                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | September 3, 2026 | 7:15pm-8:45pm | Trainer: Susan Darden-Kautz | In-person-Session-#25710<br>Cuyahoga County Library -<br>Parma Snow Branch - 2121<br>Snow Rd, Parma, OH. 44134 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, focuses on how trauma impacts the children in care. Learners will consider what new skills and knowledge they will need to provide appropriate care to children who have been impacted by trauma.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families.</p>                                                                                                                              |                   |               |                             |                                                                                                                |

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| Discipline Foundations                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | September 8, 2026  | 5:00pm-7:00pm | Trainer: Susan Darden-Kautz | In-person-Session-#25769<br>Cuyahoga County Library - Fairview Park Branch - 21255 Lorain Rd. Fairview Park, OH. 44126 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, discusses the knowledge and skills needed to appropriately discipline children. Learners will consider the importance of re-framing behavior and taking an approach that focuses on relationship, managing their emotions, and being intentional. Learners will also discover how to determine if a discipline strategy is appropriate in CAPS.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                         |                    |               |                             |                                                                                                                        |
| Enhancing the Child's Sense of Belonging                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | September 8, 2026  | 7:15pm-8:45pm | Trainer: Susan Darden-Kautz | In-person-Session-#27130<br>Cuyahoga County Library - Fairview Park Branch - 21255 Lorain Rd. Fairview Park, OH. 44126 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, prepares learners to create welcoming and supportive homes for children entering their care. Learners explore the lived experiences of children in foster care, the importance of belonging, and how assumptions can affect relationships. Through guided reflection and practical strategies, learners will understand what is needed to enhance the sense of belonging for every child in their home.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                    |               |                             |                                                                                                                        |
| Child Development                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | September 10, 2026 | 5:30pm-7:30pm | Trainer: Susan Darden-Kautz | In-person-Session-#25791<br>Cuyahoga County Library - Fairview Park Branch - 21255 Lorain Rd. Fairview Park, OH. 44126 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, helps learners understand how children come into care and are matched with a family. Laws influencing matching decisions are discussed, including MEPA, ICWA, Title VI. Learners will understand the importance making an informed decision about the placement and how to create an environment in which the child feels safe.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                                         |                    |               |                             |                                                                                                                        |
| Adolescent Development                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | September 10, 2026 | 7:45pm-8:45pm | Trainer: Susan Darden-Kautz | In-person-Session-#25799<br>Cuyahoga County Library - Fairview Park Branch - 21255 Lorain Rd. Fairview Park, OH. 44126 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explores what happens during adolescence, including brain development, identity development, and life skills development. Learners will consider how they can support adolescents through this period of development.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                                                                                                                                                   |                    |               |                             |                                                                                                                        |
| Adult, Child, Infant CPR/First Aid/AED                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | September 14, 2026 | 6:00pm-9:15pm | Trainer: Kandice Chapman    | Virtual-Session-#25208<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM                                                                                 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, provides caregivers with the knowledge and skills needed to recognize and respond appropriately to cardiac, breathing, first aid, and environmental emergencies. Learners will gain awareness in giving immediate care to an injured or ill person and to decide whether advanced medical care is needed for all ages, including adults, children, and infants.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                         |                    |               |                             |                                                                                                                        |

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| <b>SPANISH:</b><br>The Basics Of Placement                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | September 15, 2026 | 6:00pm-8:30pm | Trainer: Carmen Toro-Wooten | In-person-Session-#25704<br>Cuyahoga County Library - Fairview Park Branch - 21255 Lorain Rd. Fairview Park, OH. 44126 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, helps learners understand how children come into care and are matched with a family. Laws influencing matching decisions are discussed, including MEPA, ICWA, Title VI. Learners will understand the importance making an informed decision about the placement and how to create an environment in which the child feels safe.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                 |                    |               |                             |                                                                                                                        |
| <b>SPANISH:</b><br>Adult, Child, Infant CPR/First Aid/AED                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | September 16, 2026 | 6:00pm-9:15pm | Trainer: Loren Flores       | Virtual-Session-#25233<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM                                                                                 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, provides caregivers with the knowledge and skills needed to recognize and respond appropriately to cardiac, breathing, first aid, and environmental emergencies. Learners will gain awareness in giving immediate care to an injured or ill person and to decide whether advanced medical care is needed for all ages, including adults, children, and infants.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                    |               |                             |                                                                                                                        |
| <b>SPANISH</b><br>Effects of Caregiving                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | September 17, 2026 | 5:30pm-7:30pm | Trainer: Carmen Toro-Wooten | In-person-Session-#25829<br>Cuyahoga County Library - Berea Branch - 7 Berea Commons - Berea, OH. 44017                |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explains the importance of permanency and reviews permanency options for children in care, including reunification and adoption. Adoption supports, including subsidies, are discussed. Learners will consider how they can help prepare children for permanency.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                                                               |                    |               |                             |                                                                                                                        |
| <b>SPANISH</b><br>Permanency                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | September 17, 2026 | 7:45pm-8:45pm | Trainer: Carmen Toro-Wooten | In-person-Session-#25833<br>Cuyahoga County Library - Berea Branch - 7 Berea Commons - Berea, OH. 44017                |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, provides caregivers with the knowledge and skills needed to recognize and respond appropriately to cardiac, breathing, first aid, and environmental emergencies. Learners will gain awareness in giving immediate care to an injured or ill person and to decide whether advanced medical care is needed for all ages, including adults, children, and infants.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                    |               |                             |                                                                                                                        |
| <b>SPANISH</b><br>The Impact of Trauma on Children in Care                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | September 22, 2026 | 5:30pm-7:00pm | Trainer: Carmen Toro-Wooten | In-person-Session-#25813<br>Cuyahoga County Library - Parma Snow Branch - 2121 Snow Rd, Parma, OH. 44134               |
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| <b>SPANISH</b><br>Trauma Overview                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <b>September 22, 2026</b> | <b>7:15pm-8:45pm</b>  | <b>Trainer: Carmen Toro-Wooten</b> | <b>In-person-Session-#25826</b><br>Cuyahoga County Library -<br>Parma Snow Branch - 2121<br>Snow Rd, Parma, OH. 44134                  |
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| <b>Adult, Child, Infant CPR/First Aid/AED</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <b>September 23, 2026</b> | <b>6:00pm-9:15pm</b>  | <b>Trainer: Kandice Chapman</b>    | <b>Virtual-Session-#25235</b><br><b>CAPSLMS/ZOOM</b>                                                                                   |
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| <b>SPANISH</b><br>Discipline Foundations                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b>September 24, 2026</b> | <b>5:00pm-7:00pm</b>  | <b>Trainer: Carmen Toro-Wooten</b> | <b>In-person-Session-#25836</b><br>Cuyahoga County Library -<br>Fairview Park Branch - 21255<br>Lorain Rd. Fairview Park, OH.<br>44126 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, discusses the knowledge and skills needed to appropriately discipline children. Learners will consider the importance of re-framing behavior and taking an approach that focuses on relationship, managing their emotions, and being intentional. Learners will also discover how to determine if a discipline strategy is appropriate in CAPS.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                         |                           |                       |                                    |                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>SPANISH</b><br>Enhancing the Child's Sense of Belonging                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>September 24, 2026</b> | <b>7:15pm-8:45pm</b>  | <b>Trainer: Carmen Toro-Wooten</b> | <b>In-person-Session-#27131</b><br>Cuyahoga County Library -<br>Fairview Park Branch - 21255<br>Lorain Rd. Fairview Park, OH.<br>44126 |
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| <b>SPANISH</b><br>Child Development                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>September 26, 2026</b> | <b>9:00am-11:00am</b> | <b>Trainer: Carmen Toro-Wooten</b> | <b>In-person-Session-#25853</b> Old<br>Brooklyn DJFS - 4261 Fulton<br>Parkway, Cleveland, OH.<br>44144                                 |
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| Effects of Caregiving                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | September 26, 2026 | 9:00am-11:00am  | Trainer: Susan Darden-Kautz | In-person-Session-#25732<br>Old Brooklyn DJFS - 4261<br>Fulton Parkway, Cleveland,<br>OH. 44144 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explains the importance of permanency and reviews permanency options for children in care, including reunification and adoption. Adoption supports, including subsidies, are discussed. Learners will consider how they can help prepare children for permanency.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                                                               |                    |                 |                             |                                                                                                 |
| SPANISH<br>Adolescent Development                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | September 26, 2026 | 11:15am-12:15pm | Trainer: Carmen Toro-Wooten | In-person-Session-#25877<br>Old Brooklyn DJFS - 4261<br>Fulton Parkway, Cleveland,<br>OH. 44144 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explores what happens during adolescence, including brain development, identity development, and life skills development. Learners will consider how they can support adolescents through this period of development.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                                                                                                           |                    |                 |                             |                                                                                                 |
| Permanency                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | September 26, 2026 | 11:15am-12:15pm | Trainer: Susan Darden-Kautz | In-person-Session-#25736<br>Old Brooklyn DJFS - 4261<br>Fulton Parkway, Cleveland,<br>OH. 44144 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, provides caregivers with the knowledge and skills needed to recognize and respond appropriately to cardiac, breathing, first aid, and environmental emergencies. Learners will gain awareness in giving immediate care to an injured or ill person and to decide whether advanced medical care is needed for all ages, including adults, children, and infants.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                    |                 |                             |                                                                                                 |
| SPANISH<br>Maintaining the Child's Connections                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | September 26, 2026 | 1:15pm-2:45pm   | Trainer: Carmen Toro-Wooten | In-person-Session-#25887<br>Old Brooklyn DJFS - 4261<br>Fulton Parkway, Cleveland, OH.<br>44144 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explores the importance of maintaining the child's connections to their primary family and other important adults and peers. Learners will be introduced to the C.A.R.E. Guide, Ohio's recommended best practice in co-parenting. Learners will consider strategies to support the child's important relationships.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                             |                    |                 |                             |                                                                                                 |
| Maintaining the Child's Connections                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | September 26, 2026 | 1:15pm-2:45pm   | Trainer: Susan Darden-Kautz | In-person-Session-#25758<br>Old Brooklyn DJFS - 4261<br>Fulton Parkway, Cleveland,<br>OH. 44144 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explores the importance of maintaining the child's connections to their primary family and other important adults and peers. Learners will be introduced to the C.A.R.E. Guide, Ohio's recommended best practice in co-parenting. Learners will consider strategies to support the child's important relationships.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                             |                    |                 |                             |                                                                                                 |

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| <b>SPANISH</b><br>Partnering with Primary Families                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | September 26, 2026 | 3:00pm-4:30pm | Trainer: Carmen Toro-Wooten | In-person-Session-#25894<br>Old Brooklyn DJFS - 4261<br>Fulton Parkway, Cleveland,<br>OH. 44144 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, helps learners understand their need to partner with the primary family for the child's benefit. The importance of empathy is explored, and learners consider child protection from the perspective of the primary family. Learners will hear about the value of partnering from those with lived experience.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                    |               |                             |                                                                                                 |
| Partnering with Primary Families                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | September 26, 2026 | 3:00pm-4:30pm | Trainer: Susan Darden-Kautz | In-person-Session-#25763<br>Old Brooklyn DJFS - 4261<br>Fulton Parkway, Cleveland,<br>OH. 44144 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, helps learners understand their need to partner with the primary family for the child's benefit. The importance of empathy is explored, and learners consider child protection from the perspective of the primary family. Learners will hear about the value of partnering from those with lived experience.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                    |               |                             |                                                                                                 |

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| Adult, Child, Infant CPR/First Aid/AED                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | October 5, 2026 | 6:00pm-9:15pm  | Trainer: Kandice Chapman | Virtual-Session-#25236<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM     |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, provides caregivers with the knowledge and skills needed to recognize and respond appropriately to cardiac, breathing, first aid, and environmental emergencies. Learners will gain awareness in giving immediate care to an injured or ill person and to decide whether advanced medical care is needed for all ages, including adults, children, and infants.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                 |                |                          |                                            |
| The Basics Of Placement                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | October 6, 2026 | 9:00am-11:30pm | Trainer: Debra McMullen  | Virtual - Session - #25784<br>CAPSLMS/Zoom |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, helps learners understand how children come into care and are matched with a family. Laws influencing matching decisions are discussed, including MEPA, ICWA, Title VI. Learners will understand the importance making an informed decision about the placement and how to create an environment in which the child feels safe.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                 |                 |                |                          |                                            |

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| The Basics Of Placement                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | October 6, 2026 | 6:00pm-8:30pm   | Trainer: Carmen Toro-Wooten | In-person-Session-#25702<br>Cuyahoga County Library -<br>Parma Snow Branch - 2121<br>Snow Rd, Parma, OH. 44134 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, helps learners understand how children come into care and are matched with a family. Laws influencing matching decisions are discussed, including MEPA, ICWA, Title VI. Learners will understand the importance making an informed decision about the placement and how to create an environment in which the child feels safe.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                 |                 |                             |                                                                                                                |
| Trauma Overview                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | October 8, 2026 | 9:00am-10:30am  | Trainer: Debra McMullen     | Virtual - Session - #25785<br>CAPSLMS/Zoom                                                                     |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, defines trauma and explores how trauma influences brain architecture, development, and the ability to attach. Learners will consider how trauma may impact not just the child, but others on the child protection team. Learners will think about how their trauma histories may impact how they will provide care.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>             |                 |                 |                             |                                                                                                                |
| The Impact of Trauma on Children in Care                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | October 8, 2026 | 10:45am-12:15pm | Trainer: Debra McMullen     | Virtual - Session - #25787<br>CAPSLMS/Zoom                                                                     |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, focuses on how trauma impacts the children in care. Learners will consider what new skills and knowledge they will need to provide appropriate care to children who have been impacted by trauma.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families.</p>                                                                                                                              |                 |                 |                             |                                                                                                                |
| Trauma Overview                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | October 8, 2026 | 5:30pm-7:00pm   | Trainer: Carmen Toro-Wooten | In-person-Session-#25744<br>Cuyahoga County Library -<br>Parma Snow Branch - 2121<br>Snow Rd, Parma, OH. 44134 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, defines trauma and explores how trauma influences brain architecture, development, and the ability to attach. Learners will consider how trauma may impact not just the child, but others on the child protection team. Learners will think about how their trauma histories may impact how they will provide care.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>             |                 |                 |                             |                                                                                                                |
| The Impact of Trauma on Children in Care                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | October 8, 2026 | 7:15pm-8:45pm   | Trainer: Carmen Toro-Wooten | In-person-Session-#25745<br>Cuyahoga County Library -<br>Parma Snow Branch - 2121<br>Snow Rd, Parma, OH. 44134 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, focuses on how trauma impacts the children in care. Learners will consider what new skills and knowledge they will need to provide appropriate care to children who have been impacted by trauma.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families.</p>                                                                                                                              |                 |                 |                             |                                                                                                                |

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| Adult, Child, Infant CPR/First Aid/AED                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | October 14, 2026 | 9:00am-12:15pm  | Trainer: Angela Buckalew    | Virtual-Session-#25210<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM                                                                         |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, provides caregivers with the knowledge and skills needed to recognize and respond appropriately to cardiac, breathing, first aid, and environmental emergencies. Learners will gain awareness in giving immediate care to an injured or ill person and to decide whether advanced medical care is needed for all ages, including adults, children, and infants.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                  |                 |                             |                                                                                                                |
| Maintaining the Child's Connections                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | October 15, 2026 | 9:00am-10:30am  | Trainer: Debra McMullen     | Virtual - Session-#25789<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM                                                                       |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explores the importance of maintaining the child's connections to their primary family and other important adults and peers. Learners will be introduced to the C.A.R.E. Guide, Ohio's recommended best practice in co-parenting. Learners will consider strategies to support the child's important relationships.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                             |                  |                 |                             |                                                                                                                |
| Partnering with Primary Families                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | October 15, 2026 | 10:45am-12:15pm | Trainer: Debra McMullen     | Virtual - Session-#25793<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM                                                                       |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, helps learners understand their need to partner with the primary family for the child's benefit. The importance of empathy is explored, and learners consider child protection from the perspective of the primary family. Learners will hear about the value of partnering from those with lived experience.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                   |                  |                 |                             |                                                                                                                |
| Maintaining the Child's Connections                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | October 15, 2026 | 5:30pm-7:00pm   | Trainer: Carmen Toro-Wooten | In-person-Session-#25749<br>Cuyahoga County Library -<br>Parma Snow Branch - 2121<br>Snow Rd, Parma, OH. 44134 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explores the importance of maintaining the child's connections to their primary family and other important adults and peers. Learners will be introduced to the C.A.R.E. Guide, Ohio's recommended best practice in co-parenting. Learners will consider strategies to support the child's important relationships.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                             |                  |                 |                             |                                                                                                                |
| Partnering with Primary Families                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | October 15, 2026 | 7:15pm-8:45pm   | Trainer: Carmen Toro-Wooten | In-person-Session-#25775<br>Cuyahoga County Library -<br>Parma Snow Branch - 2121<br>Snow Rd, Parma, OH. 44134 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, helps learners understand their need to partner with the primary family for the child's benefit. The importance of empathy is explored, and learners consider child protection from the perspective of the primary family. Learners will hear about the value of partnering from those with lived experience.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                   |                  |                 |                             |                                                                                                                |

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| Child Development                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | October 17, 2026 | 5:30pm-7:30pm   | Trainer: Debra McMullen | In-person-Session-#25727 Old Brooklyn DJFS - 4261 Fulton Parkway Cleveland, OH 44144 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, helps learners understand how children come into care and are matched with a family. Laws influencing matching decisions are discussed, including MEPA, ICWA, Title VI. Learners will understand the importance making an informed decision about the placement and how to create an environment in which the child feels safe.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                 |                  |                 |                         |                                                                                      |
| Adolescent Development                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | October 17, 2026 | 7:45pm-8:45pm   | Trainer: Debra McMullen | In-person-Session-#25728 Old Brooklyn DJFS - 4261 Fulton Parkway Cleveland, OH 44144 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explores what happens during adolescence, including brain development, identity development, and life skills development. Learners will consider how they can support adolescents through this period of development.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                                                                                                           |                  |                 |                         |                                                                                      |
| Effects of Caregiving                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | October 17, 2026 | 9:00am-11:00am  | Trainer: Debra McMullen | In-person-Session-#25729 Old Brooklyn DJFS - 4261 Fulton Parkway Cleveland, OH 44144 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explains the importance of permanency and reviews permanency options for children in care, including reunification and adoption. Adoption supports, including subsidies, are discussed. Learners will consider how they can help prepare children for permanency.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                                                               |                  |                 |                         |                                                                                      |
| Permanency                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | October 17, 2026 | 11:15am-12:15pm | Trainer: Debra McMullen | In-person-Session-#25730 Old Brooklyn DJFS - 4261 Fulton Parkway Cleveland, OH 44144 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, provides caregivers with the knowledge and skills needed to recognize and respond appropriately to cardiac, breathing, first aid, and environmental emergencies. Learners will gain awareness in giving immediate care to an injured or ill person and to decide whether advanced medical care is needed for all ages, including adults, children, and infants.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                  |                 |                         |                                                                                      |
| Child Development                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | October 20, 2026 | 9:00am-11:00am  | Trainer: Debra McMullen | Virtual - Session-#25797 CAPSLMS/ZOOM                                                |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, helps learners understand how children come into care and are matched with a family. Laws influencing matching decisions are discussed, including MEPA, ICWA, Title VI. Learners will understand the importance making an informed decision about the placement and how to create an environment in which the child feels safe.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                 |                  |                 |                         |                                                                                      |

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| Adolescent Development                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | October 20, 2026 | 11:15am-12:15pm | Trainer: Debra McMullen     | Virtual - Session-#25800<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM                                                                                        |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explores what happens during adolescence, including brain development, identity development, and life skills development. Learners will consider how they can support adolescents through this period of development.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                                                                                                                                                   |                  |                 |                             |                                                                                                                                 |
| Enhancing the Child's Sense of Belonging                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | October 20, 2026 | 5:00pm-6:30pm   | Trainer: Carmen Toro-Wooten | In-person-Session-#27132<br>Cuyahoga County Library -<br>Parma Heights Branch 10698<br>Notabene Dr. Parma Heights,<br>OH. 44130 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, prepares learners to create welcoming and supportive homes for children entering their care. Learners explore the lived experiences of children in foster care, the importance of belonging, and how assumptions can affect relationships. Through guided reflection and practical strategies, learners will understand what is needed to enhance the sense of belonging for every child in their home.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                  |                 |                             |                                                                                                                                 |
| Discipline Foundations                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | October 20, 2026 | 6:45pm-8:45pm   | Trainer: Carmen Toro-Wooten | In-person-Session-#25779<br>Cuyahoga County Library -<br>Parma Heights Branch 10698<br>Notabene Dr. Parma Heights,<br>OH. 44130 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, discusses the knowledge and skills needed to appropriately discipline children. Learners will consider the importance of re-framing behavior and taking an approach that focuses on relationship, managing their emotions, and being intentional. Learners will also discover how to determine if a discipline strategy is appropriate in CAPS.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                         |                  |                 |                             |                                                                                                                                 |
| Effects of Caregiving                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | October 20, 2026 | 9:00am-11:00am  | Trainer: Debra McMullen     | Virtual - Session-#25801<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM                                                                                        |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explains the importance of permanency and reviews permanency options for children in care, including reunification and adoption. Adoption supports, including subsidies, are discussed. Learners will consider how they can help prepare children for permanency.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                                                                                                       |                  |                 |                             |                                                                                                                                 |
| Permanency                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | October 20, 2026 | 11:15am-12:15pm | Trainer: Debra McMullen     | Virtual - Session-#25802<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM                                                                                        |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, provides caregivers with the knowledge and skills needed to recognize and respond appropriately to cardiac, breathing, first aid, and environmental emergencies. Learners will gain awareness in giving immediate care to an injured or ill person and to decide whether advanced medical care is needed for all ages, including adults, children, and infants.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                         |                  |                 |                             |                                                                                                                                 |

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| Enhancing the Child's Sense of Belonging                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | October 24, 2026 | 9:00am-10:30am  | Trainer: Debra McMullen | Virtual - Session-#27133<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, prepares learners to create welcoming and supportive homes for children entering their care. Learners explore the lived experiences of children in foster care, the importance of belonging, and how assumptions can affect relationships. Through guided reflection and practical strategies, learners will understand what is needed to enhance the sense of belonging for every child in their home.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                  |                 |                         |                                          |
| Discipline Foundations                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | October 24, 2026 | 10:45am-12:45pm | Trainer: Debra McMullen | Virtual - Session-#25809<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, discusses the knowledge and skills needed to appropriately discipline children. Learners will consider the importance of re-framing behavior and taking an approach that focuses on relationship, managing their emotions, and being intentional. Learners will also discover how to determine if a discipline strategy is appropriate in CAPS.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                         |                  |                 |                         |                                          |

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| The Basics Of Placement                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | November 3, 2026 | 6:00pm-8:30pm | Trainer: Angela Buckalew | Virtual - Session-#25608<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, helps learners understand how children come into care and are matched with a family. Laws influencing matching decisions are discussed, including MEPA, ICWA, Title VI. Learners will understand the importance making an informed decision about the placement and how to create an environment in which the child feels safe.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                 |                  |               |                          |                                          |
| Effects of Caregiving                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | November 4, 2026 | 6:00pm-8:00pm | Trainer: Megan Wendling  | Virtual - Session-#25614<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explains the importance of permanency and reviews permanency options for children in care, including reunification and adoption. Adoption supports, including subsidies, are discussed. Learners will consider how they can help prepare children for permanency.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                                                               |                  |               |                          |                                          |
| Permanency                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | November 4, 2026 | 8:15pm-9:15pm | Trainer: Megan Wendling  | Virtual - Session-#25655<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, provides caregivers with the knowledge and skills needed to recognize and respond appropriately to cardiac, breathing, first aid, and environmental emergencies. Learners will gain awareness in giving immediate care to an injured or ill person and to decide whether advanced medical care is needed for all ages, including adults, children, and infants.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                  |               |                          |                                          |

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| <b>Trauma Overview</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <b>November 5, 2026</b> | <b>6:00pm-7:30pm</b>   | <b>Trainer: Angela Buckalew</b> | <b>Virtual - Session - #25657<br/>CAPSLMS/Zoom</b>                                                                                         |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, defines trauma and explores how trauma influences brain architecture, development, and the ability to attach. Learners will consider how trauma may impact not just the child, but others on the child protection team. Learners will think about how their trauma histories may impact how they will provide care.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE: Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</b></p>             |                         |                        |                                 |                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>The Impact of Trauma on Children in Care</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>November 5, 2026</b> | <b>7:45pm-9:15pm</b>   | <b>Trainer: Angela Buckalew</b> | <b>Virtual - Session - #25660<br/>CAPSLMS/Zoom</b>                                                                                         |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, focuses on how trauma impacts the children in care. Learners will consider what new skills and knowledge they will need to provide appropriate care to children who have been impacted by trauma.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE: Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families.</b></p>                                                                                                                              |                         |                        |                                 |                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>The Basics Of Placement</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>November 5, 2026</b> | <b>6:00pm-8:30pm</b>   | <b>Trainer: Ronna Johnson</b>   | <b>In-person-Session-#25609<br/>Cuyahoga County Library -<br/>Fairview Park Branch - 21255<br/>Lorain Rd. Fairview Park, OH.<br/>44126</b> |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, helps learners understand how children come into care and are matched with a family. Laws influencing matching decisions are discussed, including MEPA, ICWA, Title VI. Learners will understand the importance making an informed decision about the placement and how to create an environment in which the child feels safe.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE: Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</b></p> |                         |                        |                                 |                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Trauma Overview</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <b>November 7, 2026</b> | <b>9:30am-11:00am</b>  | <b>Trainer: Ronna Johnson</b>   | <b>In-person-Session-#25656<br/>Cuyahoga County Library -<br/>Bay Village Branch - 27400<br/>Wolf Rd. Bay Village, OH.<br/>44140</b>       |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, defines trauma and explores how trauma influences brain architecture, development, and the ability to attach. Learners will consider how trauma may impact not just the child, but others on the child protection team. Learners will think about how their trauma histories may impact how they will provide care.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE: Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</b></p>             |                         |                        |                                 |                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>The Impact of Trauma on Children in Care</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>November 7, 2026</b> | <b>11:15am-12:45pm</b> | <b>Trainer: Ronna Johnson</b>   | <b>In-person-Session-#25658<br/>Cuyahoga County Library -<br/>Bay Village Branch - 27400<br/>Wolf Rd. Bay Village, OH.<br/>44140</b>       |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, focuses on how trauma impacts the children in care. Learners will consider what new skills and knowledge they will need to provide appropriate care to children who have been impacted by trauma.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE: Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families.</b></p>                                                                                                                              |                         |                        |                                 |                                                                                                                                            |

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| Maintaining the Child's Connections                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | November 7, 2026  | 1:45pm-3:15pm | Trainer: Ronna Johnson   | In-person-Session-#25662<br>Cuyahoga County Library -<br>Bay Village Branch - 27400<br>Wolf Rd. Bay Village, OH.<br>44140 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explores the importance of maintaining the child's connections to their primary family and other important adults and peers. Learners will be introduced to the C.A.R.E. Guide, Ohio's recommended best practice in co-parenting. Learners will consider strategies to support the child's important relationships.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                             |                   |               |                          |                                                                                                                           |
| Partnering with Primary Families                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | November 7, 2026  | 3:30pm-5:00pm | Trainer: Ronna Johnson   | In-person-Session-#25666<br>Cuyahoga County Library -<br>Bay Village Branch - 27400<br>Wolf Rd. Bay Village, OH.<br>44140 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, helps learners understand their need to partner with the primary family for the child's benefit. The importance of empathy is explored, and learners consider child protection from the perspective of the primary family. Learners will hear about the value of partnering from those with lived experience.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                   |                   |               |                          |                                                                                                                           |
| Adult, Child, Infant CPR/First Aid/AED                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | November 9, 2026  | 6:00pm-9:15pm | Trainer: Kandice Chapman | Virtual-Session-#25211<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM                                                                                    |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, provides caregivers with the knowledge and skills needed to recognize and respond appropriately to cardiac, breathing, first aid, and environmental emergencies. Learners will gain awareness in giving immediate care to an injured or ill person and to decide whether advanced medical care is needed for all ages, including adults, children, and infants.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                   |               |                          |                                                                                                                           |
| Child Development                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | November 10, 2026 | 6:00pm-8:00pm | Trainer: Angela Buckalew | Virtual - Session-#25670<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM                                                                                  |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, helps learners understand how children come into care and are matched with a family. Laws influencing matching decisions are discussed, including MEPA, ICWA, Title VI. Learners will understand the importance making an informed decision about the placement and how to create an environment in which the child feels safe.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                 |                   |               |                          |                                                                                                                           |
| Adolescent Development                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | November 10, 2026 | 8:15pm-9:15pm | Trainer: Angela Buckalew | Virtual - Session-#25673<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM                                                                                  |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explores what happens during adolescence, including brain development, identity development, and life skills development. Learners will consider how they can support adolescents through this period of development.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                                                                                                           |                   |               |                          |                                                                                                                           |

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| Discipline Foundations                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | November 11, 2026 | 6:00pm-8:00pm | Trainer: Megan Wendling | Virtual - Session-#25677<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM                                                                                        |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, discusses the knowledge and skills needed to appropriately discipline children. Learners will consider the importance of re-framing behavior and taking an approach that focuses on relationship, managing their emotions, and being intentional. Learners will also discover how to determine if a discipline strategy is appropriate in CAPS.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                         |                   |               |                         |                                                                                                                                 |
| Enhancing the Child's Sense of Belonging                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | November 11, 2026 | 8:15pm-9:15pm | Trainer: Megan Wendling | Virtual - Session-#27134<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM                                                                                        |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, prepares learners to create welcoming and supportive homes for children entering their care. Learners explore the lived experiences of children in foster care, the importance of belonging, and how assumptions can affect relationships. Through guided reflection and practical strategies, learners will understand what is needed to enhance the sense of belonging for every child in their home.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                   |               |                         |                                                                                                                                 |
| Maintaining the Child's Connections                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | November 12, 2026 | 6:00pm-7:30pm | Trainer: Megan Wendling | Virtual - Session-#25665<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM                                                                                        |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explores the importance of maintaining the child's connections to their primary family and other important adults and peers. Learners will be introduced to the C.A.R.E. Guide, Ohio's recommended best practice in co-parenting. Learners will consider strategies to support the child's important relationships.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                                                     |                   |               |                         |                                                                                                                                 |
| Partnering with Primary Families                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | November 12, 2026 | 7:45pm-9:15pm | Trainer: Megan Wendling | Virtual - Session-#25667<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM                                                                                        |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, helps learners understand their need to partner with the primary family for the child's benefit. The importance of empathy is explored, and learners consider child protection from the perspective of the primary family. Learners will hear about the value of partnering from those with lived experience.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                                                           |                   |               |                         |                                                                                                                                 |
| Child Development                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | November 17, 2026 | 5:00pm-7:00pm | Trainer: Ronna Johnson  | In-person-Session-#25669<br>Cuyahoga County Library -<br>Fairview Park Branch - 21255<br>Lorain Rd. Fairview Park, OH.<br>44126 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, helps learners understand how children come into care and are matched with a family. Laws influencing matching decisions are discussed, including MEPA, ICWA, Title VI. Learners will understand the importance making an informed decision about the placement and how to create an environment in which the child feels safe.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                                         |                   |               |                         |                                                                                                                                 |

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| Adolescent Development                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | November 17, 2026 | 7:15pm-8:15pm  | Trainer: Ronna Johnson   | In-person-Session-#25672<br>Cuyahoga County Library -<br>Fairview Park Branch - 21255<br>Lorain Rd. Fairview Park, OH.<br>44126 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explores what happens during adolescence, including brain development, identity development, and life skills development. Learners will consider how they can support adolescents through this period of development.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                                                                                                           |                   |                |                          |                                                                                                                                 |
| Adult, Child, Infant CPR/First Aid/AED                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | November 18, 2026 | 6:00pm-9:15pm  | Trainer: Kandice Chapman | Virtual-Session-#25239<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM                                                                                          |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, provides caregivers with the knowledge and skills needed to recognize and respond appropriately to cardiac, breathing, first aid, and environmental emergencies. Learners will gain awareness in giving immediate care to an injured or ill person and to decide whether advanced medical care is needed for all ages, including adults, children, and infants.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                   |                |                          |                                                                                                                                 |
| Effects of Caregiving                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | November 19, 2026 | 5:00pm-7:00pm  | Trainer: Ronna Johnson   | In-person-Session-#25612<br>Cuyahoga County Library -<br>Olmsted Falls Branch 8100<br>Mapleway Dr, Olmsted Falls,<br>OH 44138   |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explains the importance of permanency and reviews permanency options for children in care, including reunification and adoption. Adoption supports, including subsidies, are discussed. Learners will consider how they can help prepare children for permanency.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                                                               |                   |                |                          |                                                                                                                                 |
| Permanency                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | November 19, 2026 | 7:15pm-8:15pm  | Trainer: Ronna Johnson   | In-person-Session-#25654<br>Cuyahoga County Library -<br>Olmsted Falls Branch 8100<br>Mapleway Dr, Olmsted Falls,<br>OH 44138   |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, provides caregivers with the knowledge and skills needed to recognize and respond appropriately to cardiac, breathing, first aid, and environmental emergencies. Learners will gain awareness in giving immediate care to an injured or ill person and to decide whether advanced medical care is needed for all ages, including adults, children, and infants.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                   |                |                          |                                                                                                                                 |
| Discipline Foundations                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | November 21, 2026 | 9:30am-11:30am | Trainer: Ronna Johnson   | In-person-Session-#25675<br>Cuyahoga County Library -<br>Middleburg Heights Branch<br>16699 Bagley Rd, Cleveland,<br>OH 44130   |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, discusses the knowledge and skills needed to appropriately discipline children. Learners will consider the importance of re-framing behavior and taking an approach that focuses on relationship, managing their emotions, and being intentional. Learners will also discover how to determine if a discipline strategy is appropriate in CAPS.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                 |                   |                |                          |                                                                                                                                 |

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| Enhancing the Child's Sense of Belonging                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | November 21, 2026 | 11:45am-1:15pm | Trainer: Ronna Johnson | In-person-Session-#27135<br>Cuyahoga County Library -<br>Middleburg Heights Branch<br>16699 Bagley Rd, Cleveland,<br>OH 44130 |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, prepares learners to create welcoming and supportive homes for children entering their care. Learners explore the lived experiences of children in foster care, the importance of belonging, and how assumptions can affect relationships. Through guided reflection and practical strategies, learners will understand what is needed to enhance the sense of belonging for every child in their home.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                   |                |                        |                                                                                                                               |

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| The Basics Of Placement                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | December 2, 2026 | 6:00pm-8:30pm | Trainer: Viola Larkin    | Virtual - Session-#25690<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM   |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, helps learners understand how children come into care and are matched with a family. Laws influencing matching decisions are discussed, including MEPA, ICWA, Title VI. Learners will understand the importance making an informed decision about the placement and how to create an environment in which the child feels safe.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                 |                  |               |                          |                                            |
| Trauma Overview                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | December 7, 2026 | 6:00pm-7:30pm | Trainer: Viola Larkin    | Virtual - Session - #25691<br>CAPSLMS/Zoom |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, defines trauma and explores how trauma influences brain architecture, development, and the ability to attach. Learners will consider how trauma may impact not just the child, but others on the child protection team. Learners will think about how their trauma histories may impact how they will provide care.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                             |                  |               |                          |                                            |
| The Impact of Trauma on Children in Care                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | December 7, 2026 | 7:45pm-9:15pm | Trainer: Viola Larkin    | Virtual - Session - #25692<br>CAPSLMS/Zoom |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, focuses on how trauma impacts the children in care. Learners will consider what new skills and knowledge they will need to provide appropriate care to children who have been impacted by trauma.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families.</p>                                                                                                                                                              |                  |               |                          |                                            |
| Adult, Child, Infant CPR/First Aid/AED                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | December 8, 2026 | 6:00pm-9:15pm | Trainer: Kandice Chapman | Virtual-Session-#25241<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM     |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, provides caregivers with the knowledge and skills needed to recognize and respond appropriately to cardiac, breathing, first aid, and environmental emergencies. Learners will gain awareness in giving immediate care to an injured or ill person and to decide whether advanced medical care is needed for all ages, including adults, children, and infants.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                  |               |                          |                                            |

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| Maintaining the Child's Connections                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | December 9, 2026  | 6:00pm-7:30pm | Trainer: Viola Larkin    | Virtual - Session-#25693<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explores the importance of maintaining the child's connections to their primary family and other important adults and peers. Learners will be introduced to the C.A.R.E. Guide, Ohio's recommended best practice in co-parenting. Learners will consider strategies to support the child's important relationships.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                             |                   |               |                          |                                          |
| Partnering with Primary Families                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | December 9, 2026  | 7:45pm-9:15pm | Trainer: Viola Larkin    | Virtual - Session-#25694<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, helps learners understand their need to partner with the primary family for the child's benefit. The importance of empathy is explored, and learners consider child protection from the perspective of the primary family. Learners will hear about the value of partnering from those with lived experience.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                   |                   |               |                          |                                          |
| Child Development                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | December 14, 2026 | 6:00pm-8:00pm | Trainer: Viola Larkin    | Virtual - Session-#25697<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, helps learners understand how children come into care and are matched with a family. Laws influencing matching decisions are discussed, including MEPA, ICWA, Title VI. Learners will understand the importance making an informed decision about the placement and how to create an environment in which the child feels safe.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                 |                   |               |                          |                                          |
| Adolescent Development                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | December 14, 2026 | 8:15pm-9:15pm | Trainer: Viola Larkin    | Virtual - Session-#25695<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explores what happens during adolescence, including brain development, identity development, and life skills development. Learners will consider how they can support adolescents through this period of development.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                                                                                                           |                   |               |                          |                                          |
| Adult, Child, Infant CPR/First Aid/AED                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | December 15, 2026 | 6:00pm-9:15pm | Trainer: Kandice Chapman | Virtual-Session-#25212<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM   |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, provides caregivers with the knowledge and skills needed to recognize and respond appropriately to cardiac, breathing, first aid, and environmental emergencies. Learners will gain awareness in giving immediate care to an injured or ill person and to decide whether advanced medical care is needed for all ages, including adults, children, and infants.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                   |               |                          |                                          |

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| Effects of Caregiving                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | December 16, 2026 | 6:00pm-8:00pm | Trainer: Viola Larkin | Virtual - Session-#25698<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, explains the importance of permanency and reviews permanency options for children in care, including reunification and adoption. Adoption supports, including subsidies, are discussed. Learners will consider how they can help prepare children for permanency.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                                                                                                       |                   |               |                       |                                          |
| Permanency                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | December 16, 2026 | 8:15pm-9:15pm | Trainer: Viola Larkin | Virtual - Session-#25699<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, provides caregivers with the knowledge and skills needed to recognize and respond appropriately to cardiac, breathing, first aid, and environmental emergencies. Learners will gain awareness in giving immediate care to an injured or ill person and to decide whether advanced medical care is needed for all ages, including adults, children, and infants.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                         |                   |               |                       |                                          |
| Enhancing the Child's Sense of Belonging                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | December 17, 2026 | 5:30pm-7:00pm | Trainer: Viola Larkin | Virtual - Session-#27137<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, prepares learners to create welcoming and supportive homes for children entering their care. Learners explore the lived experiences of children in foster care, the importance of belonging, and how assumptions can affect relationships. Through guided reflection and practical strategies, learners will understand what is needed to enhance the sense of belonging for every child in their home.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p> |                   |               |                       |                                          |
| Discipline Foundations                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | December 17, 2026 | 7:15pm-9:15pm | Trainer: Viola Larkin | Virtual - Session-#25701<br>CAPSLMS/ZOOM |
| <p><b>CONTENT:</b> This course, part of the Preservice training series, discusses the knowledge and skills needed to appropriately discipline children. Learners will consider the importance of re-framing behavior and taking an approach that focuses on relationship, managing their emotions, and being intentional. Learners will also discover how to determine if a discipline strategy is appropriate in CAPS.</p> <p><b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b> Preservice Requirement, Resource Readiness Families</p>                                                         |                   |               |                       |                                          |

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