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CALL FOR PRESENTERS

Deadline for information: March 1, 2024

Invitation to Presenters

The Connecticut Alliance of Foster and Adoptive Families 29th Annual Conference will be held in-person at the Sheraton Hartford South, Rocky Hill, CT. Workshops are scheduled on Friday May 3rd and Saturday May 4th. We have 1.5-hour sessions that may be conducted by a single presenter/co-presenter, or a panel. Conference attendees include foster, adoptive, and kinship care providers along with child welfare agency staff, clinicians, and community service providers.

This year our conference theme is "THE VISION FOR FUTURE" Please tailor your workshop title and description to reflect this theme. Some ideas/possible titles are "Surviving Remote Learning, The Trauma of Social Distancing; It's Someone's Life, Can I speak in Court for my Foster Child, Dad's Matter Too" We will be looking for new and creative approaches, as well as answers to many of the same issues faced by today's children/youth in foster care and those who provide a safe nurturing home on a temporary or permanent basis.

We regret that we are unable to provide payment to presenters and we are unable to reimburse presenters for costs incurred to participate in the conference. We do value the time and expertise presenters bring to the conference.

If you would like to be considered as a workshop presenter, please fill out the application located on the next page. All submissions must be received no later than **March 1, 2024**. **CAFAF will be applying for CEU's so please indicate on your application if your training has been approved for CEU's in the past.**

Special preference will be given to presenters that are willing to present on both Friday and Saturday.

Completed applications along with any pertinent information can be emailed to:

vanessa.williamson@cafafct.org

If you have any questions, please call 860-258-3400 or email vanessa.williamson@cafafct.org

CAFAF 28th Annual Conference Presenters Application
All submissions must be received no later than **March 1, 2024.**

Primary Presenter: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Email: _____@_____

Name and credentials of each trainer

Workshop title

Description of workshop (please limit it to 130 words or less)

Educational Objectives (please be specific): These learning objectives should clearly illustrate what is anticipated that participants will attain after taking this training. (List and use action verbs if you wish such as Attendee will be able to define; Attendee will understand; Attendee will identify; Attendee will explore; etc.)

Example (**Please send it as a Word document, please do not send PDF**):

Anne Giordano, M.A.

Heidi Maderia, MS IMH-E®

“What About the Baby? Everything You Wanted to Know About Infant and Toddler Development”

This workshop will define infant toddler development and the impact of early attachment relationships on the social and emotional health and well-being of infants and toddlers. Additionally, this session will explore the concept that “All behavior has meaning,” with a look at potential triggers that could escalate behaviors in very young children. We will end with a discussion about the impact of challenging behaviors on caregivers, along with useful strategies to promote emotional regulation and positive behavior in young children.

Single/co-presenter _____ Panel _____

Please provide the information above for secondary presenter or panel members.

Day/time preference: 1.5hr (9:20 A.M.-10:50 A.M.) Friday____ Saturday____ Both Days____

1.5hr (11:00 A.M.-12:30 P.M.) Friday____ Saturday____ Both Days ____

1.5hr (9:20 A.M.-10:50 A.M.) and 1.5hr (11:00 A.M.-12:30 P.M.) Friday____ Saturday ____ Both Days ____

This workshop has been approved for CEU's in the past Yes____ No ____

Technical assistance will be provided for your workshop if necessary.

I understand that the Connecticut Alliance of Foster and Adoptive Families is unable to compensate me and/or reimburse for any costs related to my presentation at the conference.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

You will receive notification of your acceptance as a workshop presenter no later than March 15, 2024.