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Department of Children's Services

2555 Plymouth Road

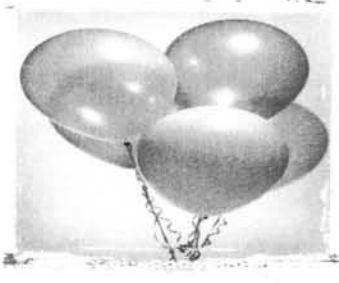
Johnson City, TN 37601

(423) 854-5311

May Adoptions

Derek & Brandy = adoption of a young boy

Richard & Theresa = adoption of a teenage girl



Farewell!

***Erin Culbertson & Tammy Enlow-Lawson,
Placement Specialists***

Erin Culbertson's last day with DCS will be on June 3rd. Erin is the Placement Specialist for the Kingsport Office. Be sure to give her a call to wish her well at her new job. We will miss you Erin!

Tammy Enlow-Lawson, Placement Specialist for Hawkins and Hancock Counties, left the Department at the end of May. Tammy is returning to school to obtain a Masters of Social Work (MSW) degree. Good luck Tammy!

CORE Class Schedule

June through September 2010



These classes are required for all resource parents in the first year following their PATH approval. All resource parents must receive this training and are only required to attend once per topic.

Class	Date and Times			Location
Cultural Awareness	SAT	6/5/10	9am to 12pm	Blountville DCS • 2193 Feathers Chapel Rd • Blountville
	SAT	7/10/10	9am to 12pm	Carter County DCS • 206 Cherokee Park Dr. • Elizabethton
	THUR	7/15/10	6pm to 9pm	Greeneville DCS • 130 Serral Drive • Greeneville
	SAT	8/21/10	9am to 12pm	Kingsport DCS • 707 North Eastman Rd • Kingsport
Positive Discipline	SAT	6/19/10	1pm to 4pm	Kingsport DCS • 707 North Eastman Rd • Kingsport
	SAT	7/24/10	9am to 12pm	Blountville DCS • 2193 Feathers Chapel Rd • Blountville
	SAT	9/11/10	1pm to 4pm	Rogersville DCS • 4017 Highway 66 South, Ste 1 • Rogersville
Fostering Positive Behavior	SAT	6/5/10	1pm to 4pm	Blountville DCS • 2193 Feathers Chapel Rd • Blountville
	SAT	7/10/10	1pm to 4pm	Carter County DCS • 206 Cherokee Park Dr. • Elizabethton
	SAT	9/25/10	9am to 12pm	Johnson City DCS • 2555 Plymouth Road • Johnson City
Working With Birth Parents	TUES	8/31/10	6pm to 9pm	Carter County DCS • 206 Cherokee Park Dr. • Elizabethton
	SAT	9/25/10	1pm to 4pm	Johnson City DCS • 2555 Plymouth Road • Johnson City
Parenting the Sexually Abused Child	SAT	6/19/10	9am to 12pm	Kingsport DCS • 707 North Eastman Rd • Kingsport
	SAT	7/24/10	1pm to 4pm	Blountville DCS • 2193 Feathers Chapel Rd • Blountville
	SAT	9/11/10	9am to 12pm	Rogersville DCS • 4017 Highway 66 S., Ste 1 • Rogersville
Working with The Education System	THURS	6/24/10	6pm to 8pm	Kingsport DCS • 707 North Eastman Rd • Kingsport
	TUES	7/20/10	6pm to 8pm	Johnson City DCS • 2555 Plymouth Road • Johnson City
		August 2010		Rogersville Office - date & time to be determined

Elective Class Schedule

Engaging & Parenting Teens	SAT	8/21/10	1pm to 3pm	Kingsport DCS • 707 North Eastman Rd • Kingsport
Partnership In Action	MON	6/14/10	6pm to 8pm	DCS • 2555 Plymouth Road • Johnson City
Professionalism & Ethics	THURS	7/8/10	6:30pm to 8:30pm	Trinity Baptist Church • 206 Headtown Rd. • Jonesborough • <i>Washington County Foster Parent Association meeting</i>
Positive Discipline II	TUE	8/10/10	6pm to 9pm	Johnson City DCS • 2555 Plymouth Road • Johnson City

REGISTRATION -

www.tnrpt.org or call (423) 299-KIDS (5437)

Please do not bring children to class due to the following reasons:

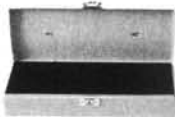
- Materials covered are not appropriate for children
- Childcare is not available
- Classes may be tiring for children due to length of the session & the time of the class



CPR/First Aid Class Schedule

This 4 hour awareness class will teach resource parents basic CPR and first aid skills that can sustain or save a life while professional emergency help is on the way. Resource parents will not be certified in CPR or first aid, but will meet the minimum requirements for DCS and will receive a certificate of participation. This class is required for all resource parents. Resource parents must receive this training every two years.

THURS	6.10.10	6 pm to 10pm	First Baptist Church • 212 East F Street • Elizabethton
SAT	7.17.10	1pm to 5pm	Hawkins County DCS Office • 4017 Hwy 66 S • Rogersville
THURS	8.19.10	6pm to 10pm	Laughlin Memorial Hosp • 1420 Tusculum Blvd • Greeneville
MON	10.11.10	6pm to 10pm	Crossroads Christian Church • 1300 Suncrest Drive • Gray
SAT	10.23.10	1pm to 5pm	Blountville DCS • 2193 Feathers Chapel Rd • Blountville



Medication Administration Class Schedule

This 4-hour workshop will provide resource parents the knowledge base to safely and effectively administer medications to children in care. Resource parents will learn of the types of medications the children will likely receive and how to safely administer them. Major topics covered in this workshop range from safe storage, and disposal of medication to common errors in medication administration. This class is required for all resource parents. Resource parents must receive this training every two years.

TUES	6.8.10	6pm to 10pm	First Baptist Church • 212 East F Street • Elizabethton
SAT	7.10.10	1pm to 5pm	Hawkins County DCS Office • 4017 Hwy 66 S • Rogersville
TUES	8.17.10	6pm to 10pm	Greeneville DCS • 130 Serral Drive • Greeneville
MON	10.4.10	6pm to 10pm	Crossroads Christian Church • 1300 Suncrest Drive • Gray
SAT	10.23.10	9am to 1pm	Blountville DCS • 2193 Feathers Chapel Rd • Blountville

**To register yourself for any trainings,
please visit our new online training website**

www.tnrpt.org or

call (423) 299-KIDS (5437) and leave a message.

When calling, please be sure to give the names of the people in your household who will be attending, an email address (if you have one), phone numbers and the name, date and location of the class you wish to attend. You will receive a confirmation by phone or email within 2 business days. If you do not, please call again.

Contact your RPSCM with any training questions!

Board Payment Call-In Dates

1-800-470-7444

June 3rd & 4th for the dates of May 16th through May 31st
June 21st & 22nd for the dates of June 1st through June 15th

Resource Parent Advocate

Jill Thompson

#423-290-8110 or jthompson@tnadvocate.org

EMERGENCY
After Hours/On-call #
1-877-54ABUSE



****For
emergencies
after normal
business hours,
please use this
number ****

All Families Matter Hotline

1-866-327-9101

(You should receive a response to your call within 24 to 48 hours.)

Remember, please follow the chain of command and try to resolve any issues or concerns in the region first. If we do not know of a problem or concern, we cannot help find a solution.

Have you tried?

The child's Family Service Worker (FSW)?
Your Resource Parent Support Case Manager (RPSCM)?
The FSW's Team Leader?
Requested a child and family team meeting (CFTM)?
The FSW's Team Coordinator?
Lucretia Sanders, Deputy Regional Administrator?
Sherri Hale, Regional Administrator?

Poison Control Number: 1-800-222-1222

Please keep this number posted and handy in the event of an emergency.

**Placement Specialists, Permanency Specialists, &
Resource Parent Support Case Managers
Phone Numbers & Locations**

Carter County Main Office #423-547-5814

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Karen Keck, Permanency Specialist #423-279-1956 Karen.Keck@tn.gov
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Shannon Wood, Permanency Specialist #423-279-1947 Shannon.Wood@tn.gov

Hawkins County Office Main office #423-272-6479

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Josh Price, Placement Specialist #423-857-1224 Joshua.Price@tn.gov (also see Greeneville info.)

Washington County - Regional Office

Annex Main Office
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Scott Overbey, Placement Services Division Team Leader
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Greene County Office Main office # 423-787-2550

Josh Price, Placement Specialist #423-787-2570 Joshua.Price@tn.gov
Rebecca Fletcher, RPSCM - Greene #423-787-2550 Rebecca.Fletcher@tn.gov
 Or Hawkins County Office #423-272-6479, ext#112

Find Us On FACEBOOK!

Yes, the Northeast Region Department of Children's Services has made the technological jump into networking sites. You do not have to "friend" us, but click that you "like" us! We have had several videos posted on our page relating to fostering and adopting. Feel free to send us a message if you find something you feel would be noteworthy for us to post to our page. We would love for you to respond to our links or discussions, or post a comment on our wall. Help us spread the word that fostering and adopting is a great and rewarding experience! Our greatest need is still for resource homes willing to foster and/or adopt teens and sibling groups of two or more.

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What's on your mind?

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http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bspQRL8vzTU

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Reminder: Health Services Confirmation & Follow-Up form

Remember to bring the Health Services Confirmation and Follow-Up Notification form to any appointment for a foster child in your home. This form should be filled out by the office staff and either faxed to the number listed or given to the child's Family Service Worker (FSW). The child's FSW can address any questions or concerns you may have about the form and can provide additional copies.

Emergencies - After Hour Calls



Do you know who to call in case of an emergency with a foster child when the incident occurs after the DCS offices are closed? Although there may be workers in the offices after 4:30 p.m., front office staff stops taking calls at 4:30pm. You may not be able to reach the child's Family Service Worker (FSW) or your Resource Parent Support Case Manager (RPSCM). You will need to call the 24 hour hotline and advise them of the emergency. If at all possible, have the child's information ready (date of birth, social security number) in case it is needed. The hotline worker will take your information and have the worker on call for your area return the call. Notify the child's FSW or your RPSCM the next day if you had to call the hotline number. The on call worker will contact them also, but that worker may have other appointments the next morning delaying notification to your workers until later in the day.

There is an easy way to remember the hotline number, #1-877-54ABUSE!

1-877-542-2873

Speaking Engagements Needed

Do you know of an opportunity where a DCS staff member and a resource parent could partner together and speak? We are in desperate need of resources homes willing to parent teens and sibling groups of two or more. Speaking engagements give us the opportunity to let our communities know of our need and answer general questions about DCS. Please contact your Resource Parent Support Case Manager (RPSCM) with any speaking engagement opportunities.

Also, do you know of a place where we can post information about fostering and adopting? Let us know! We have posters and brochures that we can use to promote the need for homes. Feel free to refer anyone to your Resource Parent Support Case Manager (RPSCM) if they are interested in fostering and/or adopting! Or get their information to pass along to your RPSCM; we can give them a call. Thank you for all you do for the children in care!!



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Happy Father's Day!

