

Attention workers: Please share these free training opportunities with families!

## Get Set for Siblings: Preparing Your Children for New Foster or Adoptive Brothers and Sisters\* #223-18

**Dates/times:** Monday, December 10, 2018 • Program 12:00 PM – 1:15 PM

**Location:** WEBINAR

**Social Work CECHs:** 0 hours • Approved ASWB ACE #0001 and #MICEC-#0001

**Presenter:** **Margaret White, BSW**, adopted her son through foster care. This led her to provide peer support for adoptive families as a Michigan Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE) adoption navigator and an adoptive parent consultant with the Adoptive Family Support Network (AFSN). She has facilitated foster and adoptive parent support groups in four counties across the state, and she thoroughly enjoys helping families find the community support and resources they need to become stronger family units. Margaret earned her BSW from Brescia University and is currently working as the social work supervisor at the Michigan Adoption Resource Exchange.

**Beginning skill level**

**Target audience:**

- ✓ Foster Parents
- ✓ Adoptive Parents
- ✓ Kinship Parents

**Training objectives:** As a result of this training, participants will be prepared to:

- Prepare their family for the addition of a foster or adoptive placement.
- Address safety concerns.
- Manage feelings of sibling jealousy, rivalry, and grief.

**Description:** Adding a child or sibling group to your family is life changing. It's important to have the whole family on board. In this webinar, you will learn ways to prepare the children already in your home for fostering and adoption. Explore ideas on how to foster loving sibling relationships, keep the peace, and assure safety for the whole household.

## Locating the Past and Building the Future\* #217-18

**Dates/times:** Monday, December 17, 2018 • Program 12:00 PM – 1:15 PM

**Location:** WEBINAR

**Social Work CECHs:** 0 hours • Approved ASWB ACE #0001 and #MICEC-#0001

**Presenter:** **Jonathan Albert, BS, CTS**, is a supervisor at the Post Adoption Resource Center at Judson Center.

**Beginning and intermediate skill levels**

**Target audience:**

- ✓ Foster Parents
- ✓ Adoptive Parents
- ✓ Kinship Parents

**Training objectives:** As a result of this training, participants will be prepared to:

- List the steps needed to search for children's biological family members.
- Describe how to help children process information about biological family.
- Discuss how to build a safe relationship with children's biological family members.

**Description:** Adoptive, foster, and kinship families face the unique challenge of navigating relationships between their children and their children's biological family members. Some families wonder about how to locate biological family members. Some might be concerned about when the time is right to connect. Others will want to know how and what type of boundaries to set with biological family members. And all families want to know if their child wants to meet his/her biological family, and if they do, if it is healthy for them to do so. Join Jonathan to explore these challenges as he looks at this important discussion through the lens of an experienced adoptive father. Join this webinar to learn about birth family search and relationships and hear Jonathan as he speaks from real life experiences.

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We will provide lined paper for taking notes at the program event; however, if you prefer to have the PowerPoint or any of the materials in front of you, please ensure you print them prior to your arrival.

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