

is proud to present

ACT: An Adoption and Permanency Curriculum for Child Welfare and Mental Health Professionals

48 CE Credits & 48 GHA CEUs

"This curriculum should be required for anyone who is entering the field of adoption and permanence."
~ACT Graduate

Your ACT Training Experience:

- * A multimedia intensive integration of strength-based mental health and permanency principles
- * Immediate applicability to promote permanency and avoid disruption
- * Case studies, practice tools and activities focused on the adult learner



Training Dates & Times

Day 1: Thursday 9/21/2017
9:00 AM-4:00 PM

Day 2: Friday 9/22/2017
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Day 3: Thursday 10/26/2017
9:00 AM-4:00 PM

Day 4: Friday 10/27/2017
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Day 5: Thursday 11/16/2017
9:00 AM-4:00 PM

Day 6: Friday 11/17/2017
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Day 7: Tuesday 12/5/2017
9:00 AM-4:00 PM

Day 8: Wednesday 12/6/2017
9:00 AM-4:00 PM

ACT is a comprehensive curriculum that provides intensive practice and training to adoption and permanency professionals and community-based service providers. The curriculum expands the application of techniques and knowledge from related fields, such as education and neurobiology, to the practice of adoption, permanency, and relative guardianship.

ACT is designed to advance and inform adoption practice, expand the pool of qualified permanency professionals available to families, integrate permanency practice across an array of programs, and engage and retain qualified staff in adoption and post-permanency services. **ACT** transmits permanency competency to individuals and to agency staff groups seeking to improve and standardize their programs with shared, quality knowledge and a commitment to integrated practice principles. The core curriculum for Kinship Center's **ACT** was developed in 1992 and has been refined and field-tested to more than 7,000 professionals over 20 years.

Trainers:

Allison Davis Maxon, LMFT is a clinician, educator, and advocate specializing in attachment, trauma, and permanency. She is passionate about creating systems of care that are permanency competent and strength based.

Sharon Kaplan Roszia, MS entered the field of foster care and adoption in 1963. She has lectured extensively nationally and abroad, with a focus on preserving connections for children and recognizing the lifelong implications of adoption and permanency.

Laura Ornelas, LCSW has worked in foster care and adoption since 1994 as a social worker, therapist and mental health director. She trains both professionals and parents at both the local and national level.

Luis Pereira, LCSW Luis has worked since 2000 as social worker, adoption and permanency supervisor, and clinical supervisor. He is an experienced trainer of professionals in the areas of adoption and permanency.

Dee Dee Mascareñas, LMFT is a bilingual psychotherapist who has worked with a multi-cultural population for almost 30 years. Dee Dee also provides training and consultation for child welfare professionals and for members of the adoption constellation.

Training Location:

Orange County Family Justice Center
150 W. Vermont Avenue, 1st Floor
Anaheim, CA 92805

<http://www.senecacenter.org/registerforclasses>

Please note:

- * This is an **eight day** training series; when you register online, you will automatically be registered for all eight days.
- * Classes are **two days** per month from September to December 2017.
- * You must **attend all eight days** in order to receive CE Credits & GHA units.

Session 1:

Permanence in Context

Session 2:

The Core Issues

Session 3:

The Art and Science of Attachment

Session 4:

A Developmental Perspective

Session 5:

Family Constellation Challenges

Session 6:

Supporting the Permanent Family

Session 7:

Tools for Skilled Practice

Session 8:

Diversity, Healing and the Family

Cancellation Policy:

If we cancel a training course as a result of low registration, participants will be notified by email one week prior to the course start date. Where courses are cancelled for reasons beyond our control, they may be cancelled at shorter notice. Participants will receive a full refund for the training fees paid. Please note that we will not be liable for any loss, including travel and accommodation costs, suffered by or on behalf of any person who wished to attend an event, should we cancel it for any reason.

Refund Policy:

In order to receive a full refund, all registered participant must cancel at least 48 hours/ two full working days in advance if unable to attend. No refunds for non-attendance.

All registered participants must cancel 48 hours in advance if unable to attend. Please cancel yourself from these classes by clicking on the "click here if you want to cancel from this class" link in your confirmation email.

For assistance please contact the Training Institute:

Telephone: 510-654-4004
or email
training@senecacenter.org

As a reminder,
we can deliver trainings to your site!

Training Objectives:

As a result of completing ACT, participants in their pre- and post permanency work will:

1. Incorporate the model of the Seven Core Issues into the evaluation, education and service provided to families touched by adoption and other forms of permanency.
2. Embrace the interrelated core principles of attachment and neurobiology, which include the impact of trauma in assessment.
3. Understand the additional developmental challenges that adoption and permanence place on the child.
4. Be able to assist parents to learn healthy attachment-based parenting skills.
5. Acquire the skills and tools for working with the whole family system to maintain the child in a family setting.
6. Recognize the complex issues that arise for today's diverse family structures, including single parent families, relative adopters, domestic and internationally built families, interracial/intercultural families, and families with different types of openness and permanency arrangements.
7. Respect the long term roles and needs of the birth family and the importance of their information and connections to the child.
8. Competently address issues of search and reunion.
9. Understand the significant influence of the child's genetic history, race and culture.
10. Value sibling relationships and their life-long importance.
11. Accept the profound impact of placing a child into an established family structure.
12. Be able to link community resources and mediation to the family.
13. Learn to enhance family strengths and empower the family as an agent of change.
14. Appreciate the additional tasks that kinship caregivers must address as family roles are changed in children's lives.

Registration Link:

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Register under the month of September 2017

The registration fee is \$1200.00. This includes:

- * A 600-page training and resource manual on CD
- * Continental breakfasts, snacks and refreshments on all training days
- * 48 CE Credits & GHA CEUs

SEE NEXT PAGE FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT CE CREDITS

Methods of Payment:* **Pay by Check**

Please make checks payable to and mail to:

Seneca Family of Agencies
2275 Arlington Drive
San Leandro, CA 94578

Please note the participant's name on the check.

* **Pay by Credit Card**

To pay by credit card, please contact the Seneca accounting department at (510) 317-1444 and speak to Queenie Lau.

All fees are due one week prior to the training: **September 14, 2017**



In accordance with California Civil Code § 54.1, any disabled person who may require accommodations to participate in any trainings or events, please contact Margaret Ross at 831-455-4729 at least 5 days in advance of the event.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION. PLEASE READ:

TO RECEIVE CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS FOR ATTENDING THIS TRAINING,
THE FOLLOWING IS *REQUIRED*:

- ◆ You must be pre-registered for this class and be listed on the printed roster. Drop-ins will not be eligible for continuing education credits.
- ◆ You must sign IN & OUT before you leave on each day of the training.
- ◆ You must fully complete both SENECA and CAMFT evaluations before leaving the training, with your full name legibly written.

CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS

- ◆ Course meets the qualifications for 48 hours of continuing education credit for LMFTs, LCSWs, LPCCs, and/or LEPs as required by the California Board of Behavioral Sciences.
- ◆ Seneca Family of Agencies is approved by the California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists to sponsor continuing education for LMFTs, LCSWs, LPCCs, and/or LEPs.
- ◆ Seneca Family of Agencies maintains responsibility for this program/course and its content. Provided by Seneca Family of Agencies, Provider #135057.

CERTIFICATES

We will be unable to provide attendees with certificates of completion if more than 15 minutes of course content per day is missed.

Certificates will not be given on the final day of the training.

Completion Certificates can be obtained by emailing the Seneca Training Department at training@senecacenter.org

*** Please allow two weeks to process this request. Plan accordingly, if needed for license renewal. ***

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