



Harold D. Grotevant, Ph.D., holds the Rudd Family Foundation Chair in Psychology at the University of Massachusetts Amherst where he founded and directs the Rudd Adoption Research Program. His research focuses on relationships in adoptive families, open adoption, and on identity development in adolescents and young adults.

This training by Dr. Grotevant addresses the adoption of children across racial, ethnic, and cultural lines in the context of family and community; as well as how adoptive family members navigate contact between members of the child's adoptive and birth families within the contexts of domestic, foster care, and international adoptions from placement into young adulthood.

Dr. Grotevant received his Ph.D. from the Institute of Child Development at the University of Minnesota. His work has resulted in over 100 articles and several books including *Openness in Adoption: Exploring Family Connections* with Ruth McRoy. With Dr. McRoy, he has directed the Minnesota/Texas Adoption Research Project, a 30 year longitudinal study examining outcomes for adoptees from childhood into young adulthood who have varying degrees of contact with birth relatives. Dr. Grotevant is the recipient of numerous research, teaching and educational leadership awards and is a Senior Research Fellow of the Donaldson Adoption Institute. In 2016, he received the Chancellor's Medal at UMass Amherst, the highest honor bestowed by the campus on its faculty.



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**Connecticut  
Council on Adoption**  
*presents:*

**Adoption Today:  
Navigating Complexities in  
Family Relationships and  
Broader Society**

*Instructor:*  
**Harold D. Grotevant, Ph.D.**



**November 9, 2017**

**Fantasia  
404 Washington Avenue  
North Haven, CT 06473**

## Program

- 8:15 a.m. Registration & Coffee
- 9:00 a.m. Opening Remarks
- 9:15 a.m. Morning Session
- 12:00 p.m. Buffet Lunch
- 1:00-4 p.m. Afternoon Session

## Learning Objectives

\*Describe the cultural, historical, geopolitical, economic, and legal contexts in which U.S. adoptive families are embedded.

\*List the diverse types of adoptive families in the contemporary U.S. including domestic infant adoptions, adoption from the public child welfare system, and international adoption and explain the distinctive issues facing each.

\*Describe the perspectives of adoption's multiple participants: adopted persons, birth parents, adoptive parents, and adoption professionals.

\*Compare the strengths and challenges involved in establishing and navigating contact between children's adoptive and birth families over time in domestic infant, child welfare, and international adoptions.

\*Understand issues that may arise in adoptions across racial, ethnic, and/or cultural lines, considering contexts of family and community.

\*Identify resources that will be useful in clinical practice with members of adoptive kinship network.

This program is pending approval by the CT NASW Chapter for 5.0 CEC's including one training/education contact hour on Cultural Competency.

## CT Council on Adoption

The Connecticut Council on Adoption, formed in 1976, is a voluntary not-for-profit, 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to permanence for children and ethical, effective adoption practices in the State of CT. CCA provides information, training programs and legislative advocacy on a variety of adoption issues. Membership is open to any individual or agency having a purpose consistent with the CCA mission. A member is entitled to one vote on matters before CCA and may be eligible to attend CCA sponsored trainings at a reduced fee. Yearly dues are \$20 for an individual and \$50 for a child-placing agency for the period of July 1st through June 30th.\* Additional information on CCA can be found at [www.ctadopt.org](http://www.ctadopt.org).

## Conference Co-Sponsors

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## Directions to Fantasia

404 Washington Avenue, North Haven, CT  
203-239-6652

### From I-91 (North and South)

to Exit 12; right onto Route 5 North; one mile on right at second traffic light.

**From Route 15 (New Haven and South)** Route 15 North (Wilbur Cross Parkway) to Exit 63; right on Route 22 (Clintonville Rd); left on Route 5 North (Washington Ave);

1.5 miles on right past fire station.

**From Route 15 (from Meriden and North)** Route 15 South (Wilbur Cross Parkway) to Exit 63; left off ramp; left on Route 22 North (Clintonville Rd); left on Route 5 North (Washington Ave.); 1.5 miles on right past fire station.

## Registration Form

Print & submit by November 3, 2017

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## Program Fee (Includes lunch & CECs)

<input type="checkbox"/> Adoptive/Foster Parent or Student	\$40
<input type="checkbox"/> CCA Member	\$45
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-CCA Member	\$50
<input type="checkbox"/> Registration & New/Renew	
<input type="checkbox"/> CCA Membership	\$65

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## QUESTIONS: Contact [info@ctadopt.org](mailto:info@ctadopt.org)

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