#### Fees

Course Fee: \$500 payable in 2 installments (time of acceptance and by session 8).

Participants who successfully complete the classroom component and the case consultation are eligible to receive a TAC Certificate of Completion as well as national recognition by C.A.S.E.

TAC has been approved by NASW-CT for 72 Continuing Education Credits.

Schedule

Module 1:	On-line, at home	
Module 2	September 10, 2018	
Module 3 & 4:	October 1 & 22, 2018	
Module 5:	November 19, 2018	
Module 6:	December 10, 2018	
Module 7:	January 7, 2019	
Module 8:	February 4, 2019	
Module 9:	March 18, 2019	
Module 10:	April 8, 2019	
Module 11:	May 6, 2019	
Module 12:	June 3, 2019	

Make Up Sessions: 4/22 & 5/20/2019

**Consultation Sessions: TBD** 

All classes meet from 9am to 4:30pm at: The Exchange, 270 Farmington Avenue, Farmington

### Application Requirements

- Priority will be given to licensed clinicians or those under clinical supervision in preparation for licensure with a Master's degree in social work, counseling or related discipline.
- Second level consideration will be given to Master's level professionals (social work, counseling or related discipline) that do not hold a clinical license and are not under clinical supervision.
- 3. Third level consideration will be given to Bachelor's level social workers with at least 5 years of adoption experience.
- 4. Must be currently employed in a clinical practice setting.
- 5. Must demonstrate in your personal statement and resume the following information:
  - A strong clinical background.
  - An interest in working with adopted persons, prospective adoptive parents, birth parents and birth families, adoptive families and kinship families in a clinical setting.
  - A description on how you would incorporate the learning from the TAC program into your clinical practice.

Participants must commit to all training dates and make-up sessions and complete all assignments.

Application Deadline: August 1, 2018

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ADOPTION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

In partnership with the Center for Adoption Support and Education (C.A.S.E.) presents:



## **About TAC**

Created by the Center for Adoption Support and Education (C.A.S.E.), in 2009, the Training for Adoption Competency (TAC) is a comprehensive, evidenceinformed training program for professionals nationwide in the social work, mental health and child welfare fields.

TAC is a rigorously evaluated, competency-based training curriculum developed in collaboration with national experts in the field of child welfare, adoption and mental health.

TAC is a 72-hour, 12-session (1 at-home, 11 in-person) program followed by 6 monthly group clinical case consultations led by C.A.S.E. CEO Debbie Riley and a team of adoption-competent therapists.

Learn more at www.adoptionsupport.org

# The Impact of TAC

TAC influences a broad spectrum of clinical practices that address core issues in adoption and is making a significant impact on the quality of mental health services for members of the adoption kinship network.

TAC has strengthened the capacity of agencies and organizations to effectively support adoptive families before and after finalization of adoption.

TAC has increased access to highly trained, adoptioncompetent clinicians for families in at least 15 states across the nation. Adoptive families nationwide now have access to hundreds of TAC-trained professionals listed on C.A.S.E.'s online directory.

#### **Content Areas**

- Adoption, History, Law and Process
- Introduction to Adoption Competent Mental Health Practice
- Providing Therapeutic Services: Grief, Loss and Separation in Adoption
- Supporting Children, Youth and Families as They Ready Themselves for Adoption
- Trauma and Brain Neurobiology
- Attachment-Based Interventions with Adopted Children and Youth and their Families
- Adopted Adolescents and Identity Development
- Birth and Adoptive Families
- Clinical Issues in Working with Adoptive Families: Managing Challenging Behaviors
- Openness in Adoption
- Race and Ethnicity in Adoption
- Integrating Knowledge, Values and Skills



UConn Health Adoption Assistance Program (AAP) is one of 17 sites nationwide certified by C.A.S.E. to provide TAC training.

To learn more call the AAP at 860-679-4006 or visit us online: aap.uchc.edu

# **Benefits for Clinicians**

- Gain an in-depth understanding of core adoption issues and current clinical tools and evidencebased approaches
- Develop advanced skills through clinical case consultation from experts
- Develop a clinical specialty in high demand by a growing number of families
- Earn CEUs to fulfill professional development requirements

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"I am more able to review in depth the treatment services children are receiving and ensure our assessments and recommendations are better."

**Connecticut TAC Participant** 

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#### **Benefits for Employers**

- Adoption-competent clinicians on staff enhance an agency's image and reputation, attracting increased numbers of referrals with a positive impact on revenue.
- Specially-trained adoption-competent clinicians support their agencies in risk management by bringing quality, evidence-informed clinical practices to their work.
- Highly trained clinicians experience greater job satisfaction, higher levels of motivation and are more likely to remain in their positions longer.