

Fees

Course Fee: \$1,000 if paid in full by 9/15; or 2 installments of \$525 each (Due by 9/15/26 & 2/1/27).

Early Bird \$900, if registered by 7/15/26.

Group rate available for agencies sending 3 or more staff.

Participants who successfully complete all 12 modules are eligible to sit for an assessment. Those passing will receive national accreditation as an adoption competent mental health professional TAC graduate.

TAC has been approved by NASW for 55.5 Continuing Education Credits (CECs).

Schedule

- Module 1: Online, independent learning
- Module 2: October 6th & 7th, 2026
- Module 3: October 27th & 28th, 2026
- Module 4: November 17th & 18th, 2026
- Module 5: December 15th & 16th, 2026
- Module 6: January 12th & 13th, 2027
- Module 7: February 2nd & 3rd, 2027
- Module 8: February 23rd & 24th, 2027
- Module 9: March 16th & 17th, 2027
- Module 10: April 6th & 7th, 2027
- Module 11: April 27th & 28th, 2027
- Module 12: May 18th & 19th, 2027

All classes meet via Teams from 9am-12:30pm.

Application Deadline: August 15, 2026

Application Requirements

Master's degree or higher in social work, counseling, or related discipline. Current professional license or under clinical supervision to prepare for licensure.

Working in a clinical capacity at an agency specializing in adoption, private practice or community mental health setting serving adoptive and guardianship families.

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Master's level professional in social work or related discipline who does not hold a clinical license, but whose work involves interface with members of the adoption kinship network.

In order to receive the Certificate of Completion and CEU credits, participants are required to attend all training modules and all clinical consultations, including presenting 1-2 cases, completing post-module surveys and must pass the final assessment.

“As a supervisor, I have been able to incorporate the learning and interventions with my team.”
CT TAC Graduate



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



TAC is a nationally recognized evidence based, post-Master's training program for professionals in the social work, mental health, and child welfare fields.



About TAC

Created by the Center for Adoption Support and Education (C.A.S.E.) with the assistance of a National Advisory Board of adoption experts, TAC is a comprehensive, evidenced-based post-Master's curriculum designed exclusively for licensed mental health professionals, providing clinical knowledge and skills needed to effectively serve the adoption and kinship network.

TAC is designed to increase families' and individuals' access to adoption competent mental health professionals and to improve the well-being of adopted children, youth, and their families.

Through classroom and remote instruction as well as clinical case consultation, TAC consists of 18 areas of knowledge, values, and skills that are critical to adoption-competent mental health services. TAC is a rigorously evaluated program and is rated by the California Evidence Based Clearinghouse for Child Welfare. TAC offers 72 hours of instruction over 12 modules. Graduates earn CEUs, certificates of completion and national recognition in C.A.S.E.'s Directory of Adoption Competent Professionals.

Learn more at adoptionsupport.org/TAC



Learning Objectives

TAC participants will develop clinical skills in the following key areas:

- ◆ Loss, grief, separation, identity and attachment.
- ◆ Impact of genetics and past experiences on adjustment and psychological well-being of adopted children.
- ◆ Trauma's impact on adopted children and tools to support recovery from adverse beginnings.
- ◆ Identity formation for adopted youth & young adults.
- ◆ Supporting adoptive parents in developing therapeutic parenting strategies.
- ◆ Assessment and intervention skills with adoptive families and birth families.
- ◆ Developmental stages of adoptive families and the process of adoptive family formation and integration.
- ◆ Adoption openness and ongoing connections.
- ◆ Needs of transracial and transcultural families.
- ◆ Evidence-based and evidence informed practices and interventions with individuals affected by adoption.
- ◆ Working effectively with service systems and the community on behalf of adoptive families.
- ◆ Strengthen the learning process through the case consultations, resulting in strong transfer of learning to practice.

To learn more, call the AAP at
860-679-4006 or visit us online:
health.uconn.edu/adoption-assistance/

Benefits for Clinicians

- ◆ Gain an in-depth understanding of core adoption issues and current clinical tools and evidence-based 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

***"I am very grateful for this course and the wealth of information. The content, discussions and case consultations strengthened my ability to put it into practice as a counselor." -
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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.