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## COCAF News

### *COCAF Needs YOUR Help*

Just like any other organization or business, COCAF needs incoming funds to keep providing the services we provide adoptive families, including things like this newsletter. Please take a minute to read the following two articles about how you can help COCAF continue to provide services to support post-adoptive needs in Colorado.

### *COCAF Online Donation Capability Now Available!*

Please go to COCAF's website, [www.cocaf.org](http://www.cocaf.org), and check out the DONATE NOW THROUGH GIVINGFIRST.ORG button (upper right part of the screen). GivingFirst allows donors to donate online in a completely secure environment. In addition, GivingFirst covers all of the credit cards fees, so COCAF receives **100%** of your donation. Take the time to check out the COCAF website, and if you have ever used any of the information in this newsletter or been assisted in any way by COCAF, please help us continue our services by making an online donation. ***If everyone who read our newsletter donated just \$5, think of the services we'd be able to provide to adoptive families! Please go online today at [www.cocaf.org](http://www.cocaf.org) – and DONATE!***

### *Help COCAF Win \$1000 Before the End of the Summer!*

Applewood Plumbing, Heating & Electrical is giving away \$12,000 in 12 months. Applewood is going to give back to the community by donating \$1,000 a month to local nonprofit companies. They will be accepting nominations through the mail or on the web and will choose a winner monthly using a random drawing. The more times COCAF is entered into the drawing, the better our chances of winning. **You may re-enter every month (until COCAF wins!), but you may only enter once per month.** Charities may receive multiple entries, so refer this site to your friends. Please take the time to enter COCAF into this drawing. If COCAF wins, the \$1,000 will be used to continue providing support services to adoptive families.

To enter online, go to:

<http://www.applewoodfixit.com/12in12.html>

To complete the form for COCAF, enter the following information:

Non-profit name: COCAF

Non-profit phone number: 303-562-9864

Web site: [cocaf.org](http://cocaf.org)

### *"Orphan" Not An Adoption Movie - A Horror Flick*

Many of you may have heard about a Warner's Brother's movie about to be released called "Orphan." This rated R movie is about a couple who adopts an older child, and the older child turns out to be a little more like Linda Blair's character in the "Exorcist" than sweet little orphan "Annie." Many people in the adoption community are upset by this movie, but it is important to remember that this is not a documentary on adoption; it is a horror flick.

That does not mean that this movie will not cause our adopted children some problems. People who do see the movie may make uneducated comments to children they know are adopted. The best way to help your children prepare for this (or for any other uncomplimentary comments about adoption) is to be proactive and to talk to your children about bullying in general. As a part of that discussion, let your children know that some bullies may say bad things about adoption. Preparing our children to deal with bullies is more effective than trying "to control" something we cannot possibly control (other people's views or comments). Remind your children they cannot control others, only their reaction to others. Giving your children skills to deal with inappropriate comments will empower them to stand up for themselves in a positive way.

Frank Bennett, Ph.D., President, COCAF Board of Directors  
[frankbennetphd@comcast.net](mailto:frankbennetphd@comcast.net)

### *COCAF Services*

If you are in need of COCAF's services or just want to pass on some information, you may email Deborah Cave, Executive Director, at [deborah.cave@cocaf.org](mailto:deborah.cave@cocaf.org).

### *COCAF Newsletter*

If you have items you think would be appropriate for the COCAF newsletter, please forward those items to [colleen.tarket@cocaf.org](mailto:colleen.tarket@cocaf.org) by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month for consideration for the next month.

## Adoption/Kinship/Foster Information

### *NY: To Love without Limits*

Chabad.org - Brooklyn , NY , USA 5/30/2009

Steve Krausz is a longtime member of the COCAF Advisory Board and a champion of adoption. For an article on Steve's Jewish Children's Adoption Network (JCAN), go to : [http://www.chabad.org/library/article\\_cdo/aid/878161/jewish/To-Love-without-Limits.htm](http://www.chabad.org/library/article_cdo/aid/878161/jewish/To-Love-without-Limits.htm)

### *Colorado Chapter of Foster Care Alumni of America*

Colorado has recently established a Colorado Chapter of Foster Care Alumni of America. This chapter joins eight other state chapters as the first of FCAA chapters around the country. Their mission is to connect the alumni community across Colorado into a giant extended family network for the youth who leave the foster care system. Working with allies and partnering organizations, foster care alumni wish to use the lessons they learned in foster care (their unique expertise) to transform practice and policy to better the next generation of youth entering Colorado's foster care system.

This is an exciting time for Foster Care Alumni of America and an incredible opportunity for youth aging out to make a real difference for themselves, each other, and the 12 million alumni across America. Colorado Chapter of FCAA is inviting allies, organizations, and foster care alumni to join and partner with them in building connections today to transform tomorrow. Membership is free to all foster care alumnus (any youth 18 years or older who spent time in out-of-home placement via foster care, kinship care, or residential treatment). For further information on the Colorado Chapter email to [COchapter@fostercarealumni.org](mailto:COchapter@fostercarealumni.org). For additional information on the national organization go to: [www.fostercarealumni.org](http://www.fostercarealumni.org).

### *Voice for Adoption Many Faces, Many Families*

This November, Voice for Adoption (VFA) will once again highlight families adopting children and youth from the foster care system, in their annual Adoptive Family Portrait Project. This year's theme is *Many Faces, Many Families*; VFA hopes to highlight a range of families adopting foster children, including single parents or relatives who have adopted from the child welfare system and those adopting older youth or sibling groups. For information on how you can participate or help, contact Nicole Dobbins, Executive Director, by email at [voiceforadoption@gmail.com](mailto:voiceforadoption@gmail.com) or by phone at 202-210-8118.

### ***Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Online Support***

According to Colorado State University research, the number of custodial grandparents in Colorado increased by 73% from 1990 to 2000. In the United States, more than 4.5 million children under age 18 live with their grandparents. These grandparents often lack support they need to fulfill this caregiving role. Social support is critical in protecting grandparents from depression, isolation, caregiving overload, and life disruptions. Research shows that support networks are crucial for grandparents raising grandchildren.

A new resource for these grandparents is now available through an innovative project from Colorado State University Extension. ***Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Online Support*** website provides grandparents and other kinship care providers information, resources, and support to help them with this new role.

The website includes local, state, and national resources on financial assistance, health, legal issues, education, and parenting. Research based publications from Colorado State University and other land-grant university extension programs help grandparents link to useful information. There is a listing of support groups for grandparents raising grandchildren as well as information on building a support network and a section for Frequently Asked Questions. To access the website, go to :

<http://www.ext.colostate.edu/grg>.

### ***New Kinship Families Program in Grand Junction***

Ariel Clinical Services in Grand Junction is excited to be offering services to kinship families raising a relative's children full-time. This new program is assisting families who do not have an open case with the Department of Human Services for placement of the children. There are income guidelines that must be met. If these two criteria are met, the services offered are free.

The services available are:

- Respite services (either in-home or out of home);
- Support groups to deal with issues specific to kinship children aided by a licensed therapist;
- Parenting classes specifically dealing with issues faced by relatives raising children;
- Behavior support services to help families deal with behavior issues with relative children; and
- Case management to navigate through the complex system of child welfare and other systems to access the services needed for the children and the caregivers.

For more information, contact Kerry Bentler, Kinship Case Manager by email at [kbentler@arielcpa.org](mailto:kbentler@arielcpa.org) or by phone at (970) 201-4844.

## Children's Activities

### *PeaceJam for Kinship children*

Presented by Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Denver  
Tuesdays, July 7 & 14<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
Macedonia Baptist Church, 3240 Adams St., Denver, CO

The mission of PeaceJam is to create a generation of young leaders committed to positive change in themselves, their community, and the world using the inspiration from winners of the Nobel Peace Prize. Children will learn how they can make a difference in their community and learn skills to resolve conflict peacefully while enhancing their self-esteem.

This activity is for children in 4th to 8th grade who are being raised by a relative caregiver.

*For further information or to register:* Contact Tray Dubray at (303) 742-0823, ext. 2072 or by email at [tdubray@ccdenver.org](mailto:tdubray@ccdenver.org).

### *China Adopteen Camp-Conference*

Presented by Chinese Children Adoption International (CCAI)  
Friday, July 24 to Sunday, July 26, 2009  
CCAI Headquarters, 6920 S. Holly Circle, Centennial, Colorado, 80112

This conference focuses on the needs of teenage Chinese adoptees. Through fun team-building activities, adoptee panel discussions, Chinese dance and calligraphy exercises, crazy competitions, and outrageous activities that integrate important topics like identity and adoption, conference participants will find connection, support, inspiration, and a lot of fun. This year the teens will have an all night lock-in and even have a chance to play volleyball with Paralympics champion SuGui, also adopted from China!

The Adopteen Camp-Conference is open to all teens adopted from China, no matter which agency served their parents. Visit [www.chinaadopteen.org](http://www.chinaadopteen.org) for more information.

*Cost:* \$80 per teen

*Registration deadline:* July 1, 2009

*For more information:* Call 303-850-9998 or email [adopteen@chinesechildren.org](mailto:adopteen@chinesechildren.org)

## Conferences

### *NAMI 2009 Conference*

Monday-Thursday, July 6-9, 2009  
San Francisco, California

NAMI's 2009 Annual Convention, celebrating their 30th year, will be held July 6–9, 2009, in San Francisco, California, at the Palace of Fine Arts and The Exploratorium. “The Palace” was originally designed by architect Bernard Maybeck as a temporary structure for an exhibition in 1915.

Speakers will include Dr. Marsha Linehan, creator of dialectical behavioral therapy, a revolutionary treatment for people with borderline personality disorder. Dr. Linehan will present at the Research Plenary during the upcoming convention. Dr. Linehan is a professor of psychology at the University of Washington in Seattle and director of the Behavioral Research and Therapy Clinics. She originally developed the therapy to help chronically suicidal people. It has since been adapted for a variety of settings as well as for a number of other seemingly intractable behavioral disorders.

NAMI will feature special programming for children at the convention. In the program, children will have the opportunity to learn and talk about the challenges that come with being the child or sibling of a person with a serious mental illness. There will be an excursion to the Exploratorium: The world's coolest hands-on science museum and art projects. The 2-day program is designed for children and teens aged 10 to 17. The registration fee is \$75.00. (If you are bringing your child or teen to the convention but are not planning to have them participate in this program, there is no need to pay the \$75.00 registration fee.)

For more information, go to:

[http://www.nami.org/Content/NavigationMenu/Inform\\_Yourself/Upcoming\\_Events/Convention/Functions/Schedule.htm](http://www.nami.org/Content/NavigationMenu/Inform_Yourself/Upcoming_Events/Convention/Functions/Schedule.htm).



*Journey of Asian Adoption: Building a Multicultural Family*

Friday, October 9 – Saturday, October 10, 2009

Hilton Garden Hotel, Denver Tech Center, 7675 East Union Ave., Denver, CO 80237

This conference is for those who have already adopted from Asia as well as those considering it. Keynote speakers will include sportswriter Rick Reilly, whose unique human-interest column, “The Life of Reilly,” graced the pages of Sports Illustrated for nearly 23 years, and his daughter Rae, now 20, who was adopted from Korea as an infant. The two will share the story of their journey to Korea in search of Rae’s birth family. Attendees can expect an original presentation with Reilly’s trademark depth, humor, and heart. In addition, Jeff Gammage, the author of *China Ghosts*, will share his emotional and touching story of his passage to fatherhood and his daughter’s journey to America.

Onsite childcare will be provided on Saturday for \$15 per child.

For more information, contact Jean Gordon by email at [kgordon29@hotmail.com](mailto:kgordon29@hotmail.com).

## Family Events

### *Free Family Events*

Many thanks to Tray Dubray, LSW, Kinship Case Worker for Catholic Charities for providing the following information.

- July 5: **Denver Museum of Miniatures, Dolls and Toys**, 1880 Gaylord St, Denver (303) 322-1053 Free admission from 1:00-4:00.
- July 13: **Denver Museum of Nature and Science**, 2001 Colorado Blvd., Denver (303) 973-3705
- July 20 **Denver Botanic Gardens**, 1005 York St., Denver (720) 865-3500.
- July 3-8 **Cherry Creek Arts Festival**, Cherry Creek North, 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. This annual event brings the work of over 200 international artists to Denver and is one of Colorado's signature cultural events. See artist demonstrations, live music, unique special exhibits, and performing artists.
- July 18-19 **KidSpree**, Bicentennial Park, 13655 E. Alameda Ave.(at Potomac St), Aurora, 10:00 a.m.– 5:00 p.m. Admission and activities are free. Food and beverages are for sale onsite. Parking is free in the southwest parking lot of nearby Town Center at Aurora, with a free shuttle to the park.
- July 25-26 **7th Annual Colorado Dragon Boat Festival**, Sloan's Lake Park, Sheridan Blvd and West 17th Ave Lakewood, CO 80214, 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. Founded in 2001 to celebrate Colorado's rich Asian Pacific American (APA) culture, the Colorado Dragon Boat Festival has become the region's fastest growing, fun, family-friendly summer festival. It offers festivalgoers the opportunity to explore APA customs through performances, arts, crafts, shopping, dining, and the exciting dragon boat racing.

### *Free All The Time!*

**Aurora History Museum**, 15051 E. Alameda Parkway Aurora, CO. (303) 739-6666. Tues-Fri 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Sat & Sun 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

**Bluff Lake Nature Center**, off of Havana near Stapleton. For more information or clear directions call (303) 945-6717. Open sunrise to sunset.

For a comprehensive list of things to do for free in the Denver area, go to:  
<http://www.denver.org/events/free-events>.

## Surveys

### *NAMI Child Mental Illness Survey*

**Deadline Wednesday, July 1, 2009**

NAMI's Child and Adolescent Action Center has developed a survey to hear from parents and caregivers with a child diagnosed with a mental illness, who developed the illness before age 18, about their experiences and thoughts on discussing mental health concerns about their child with primary care staff and physicians. NAMI would like to learn what they need and value when communicating with these individuals and what recommendations they have for primary care staff and physicians to help ensure children's mental health treatment needs are identified early and linked to appropriate services and supports.

NAMI will use the information collected through the survey to develop a publication for primary care staff and physicians on how to effectively communicate and collaborate with families on mental health issues. The resource will help primary care staff and physicians understand the key role they play in ensuring families feel respected, comfortable, and listened to when discussing the mental health needs of their child.

Thus far, NAMI has developed and shared through the CAAC e-group two surveys on other topics that have both been extremely successful because of your help in disseminating the surveys to your networks and in sharing your own personal stories and comments. The responses NAMI received through their past surveys have been incredibly valuable and have informed our advocacy and resource development.

NAMI hopes that you can share this survey with your networks or complete it yourself.

To access the survey please visit:

[http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=WB5taoMttSkvgubFGfq5GA\\_3d\\_3d](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=WB5taoMttSkvgubFGfq5GA_3d_3d).

The survey will be open until COB Wednesday, July 1st. The survey is estimated to take up to 30 minutes to complete.

## Training Opportunities

### *PREP 2009 Schedule*

Presented by COCAF, AFI Grant Teams, and The Adoption Exchange

COCAF, AFI Grant Teams, and The Adoption Exchange, through a federal Adoption Opportunities grant, are presenting 1½-day retreats for parents who have adopted through the child welfare system. These Adoptive Parents Retreats are designed to help strengthen and re-establish the communication skills we used so naturally at the start of our relationships, using the PREP© curriculum (Prevention and Relationship Enhancement Program). You will meet other families experiencing similar feelings and challenges as your family, in a non-judgmental, supportive, and understanding environment.

These weekends are free of charge to adoptive parents! Generally, the workshops begin at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday morning and end by noon on Sunday. The retreats include accommodations for Saturday night, meals, and the PREP curriculum. Respite funds will also be available.

You will learn how to:

- Communicate with each other more gently and effectively
- Discuss problems and resolve conflict in a safe way
- Listen to and be heard by your partner
- Respond to your children as a unified team
- Show respect for your partner and have fun as a couple

You must attend as part of a pair – single parents please bring an adult who is significant in your child's life (parenting-partner, teacher, faith-based person, etc.). If you have adopted from, or currently live in one of the counties listed on the next page, please contact the identified person to register for one of these respite weekends. Rejuvenate yourself, your relationship, and your family!

This workshop is provided by the Colorado Coalition of Adoptive Families (COCAF), AFI Grant Teams, and The Adoption Exchange through a grant from the Administration for Children and Families. The Adoptive Families Initiative (AFI) Grant will use information throughout the retreat process for ongoing program evaluation and improvements and assures that all information will be kept strictly confidential.

2009 PREP schedule, with registration information, is on the next page.

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Dates	Team	Registration Contact Person/ #
July 18 &19, 2009 Telluride The Peaks Resort	Delta/Montrose & Adoption Exchange	Tinuviel Atwood, BSW The Adoption Exchange tatwood@adoptex.org 303-755-4756 x217
August 1 & 2, 2009 Hampton Inn, Fort Collins	Larimer County & Adoption Exchange	Tinuviel Atwood, BSW The Adoption Exchange tatwood@adoptex.org 303-755-4756 x217
Sept 12 &13, 2009	Boulder	Suzanne Daniels, 303-441-1533 sdaniels@co.boulder.co.us

### *Respite Care Training*

Presented by COPARC & COCAF

Tuesday, July 28, 2009, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Church of Christ, 1301 15th Street, Greeley, Colorado 80631

The Colorado Post-Adoption Resource Center (COPARC) was created to meet the needs of families who have adopted from child welfare. Adoptive parents tell us they struggle to find someone who can give them a break from parenting, so they can recharge themselves and continue to meet their children's special needs.

Topics for this workshop include:

- Becoming part of a team that supports adoptive family stability & prevents disruptions
- Positive approaches that will head-off issues before they become crises
- Concrete skills and techniques for managing challenging behaviors
- The unique needs of children who have been adopted
- Strategies for keeping kids safe
- Self care tips
- Ideas for creating and sustaining group respite care programs
- Tools that will help you work successfully with adopted children and their families

*For further information:* Contact Tanya Hammar by phone at 303-755-4756 or toll-free at 800-451-5246, or by email at [tanya@adoptex.org](mailto:tanya@adoptex.org).

## *Childhood Sexuality Part II*

Presented by The Denver Children's Advocacy Center (DCAC)  
Dr. Gizane Indart, PsyD, Trainer  
Thursday, October 15, 2009, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  
Denver Police District 2, 3921 Holly Street, Denver, CO 80205

This class will present in-depth case studies and, step by step, describe the therapeutic model and interventions used. This training will integrate outcomes of the Kempe Children's Center Perpetration Prevention Study Group and the book *Web of Meaning: A Developmental-Contextual Approach in Sexual Abuse Treatment*, by Gail Ryan (Gail Ryan & Associates, 2000, Safer Society Press). This training will allow time for specific questions.

Trainer Gizane Indart, PsyD, a bilingual and bicultural psychologist, is the Executive Director of the Denver Children's Advocacy Center. She has been a Fellow with the ChildTrauma Academy under the direction of Dr. Bruce Perry since 2003, and has over 20 years of working experience with traumatized children and their families.

**Cost:** \$75 per person; \$50 per person for groups of 4 or more from the same agency; \$35 student rate with valid ID; \$85 per person after October 14 at noon or day of event.

*For further information:* Go to [www.denvercac.org](http://www.denvercac.org).

## *Child Interview Training*

Presented by The Denver Children's Advocacy Center (DCAC)  
Thursday, October 29, 2009 – Friday, October 30, 2009 (2 full days)  
Denver Police District 2, 3921 Holly Street, Denver, CO 80205

This in-depth 2-day training will cover:

- Child interview techniques
- How to utilize the phased interview process
- Trauma and the developing child
- Practical application of language development concepts
- Defense strategies and tactics.

Case examples will be presented. Trainees will have opportunities for practice and skill development. Speakers will include Karen Blackwell (Forensic Interview Program Manager, DCAC), Stephanie Knapp (Child & Adolescent Interview Specialist, FBI), and others to be announced.

*For further information:* Go to [www.denvercac.org](http://www.denvercac.org).

## Just for Fun

### *Family Voices Colorado: Going to Bat 4 Kids*

Saturday, July 11, 2009, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Sports Made Possible all-accessible field, 9750 W Hampden Ave (at Kipling), Lakewood

Family Voices Colorado, providing health care advocacy for children and youth with special health care needs, announces its first annual fundraiser, ***Going to Bat 4 Kids!*** Family Voices keeps families at the center of care for children with special health care needs by:

- Providing information and referral services
- Assisting with medical insurance appeals
- Speaking on behalf of children at the state and federal legislatures

Children and youth with special health care needs, along with friends and peers, will form baseball teams and each team will play a one-inning game. Every child is given the chance to hit the ball and score a run for a great cause. Everyone can enjoy an inexpensive carnival and an all-American lunch to support Family Voices Colorado.

*Cost:* \$10 registration fee

*For more information:* Call 800-881-8272 or go to [www.familyvoicesco.org](http://www.familyvoicesco.org)

*To register:* Go to [www.familyvoicesco.org/events/bat4kids.htm](http://www.familyvoicesco.org/events/bat4kids.htm).

### *Adoption Exchange's 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Fantasy Ball*

November 2009: 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Fantasy Ball

More information to come! For information on any Adoption Exchange event, go to: [www.adoptex.org](http://www.adoptex.org).

### *Fun Things & Coupons*

For coupons for local Colorado activities, go to:

<http://www.coloradokids.com/listings.php?category=funthings&type=funcenter&region=colorado>

## Website Topics

This section contains the headings from some of the previous COCAF newsletter items. Rather than reprint these items in every newsletter, we're providing the name of the article and a link to the information on the COCAF website.

Adoption-Related Information [http://www.cocaf.org/adoption\\_topics](http://www.cocaf.org/adoption_topics)

Adoptive Families Denver <http://www.cocaf.org/adoptive>

COPARC <http://www.cocaf.org/coparc>

Foster Care and Adoption Self-Assessment Guide <http://www.cocaf.org/adoption-foster>

Income Taxes & Adoption <http://www.cocaf.org/tax>

Larimer County Alliance for Grandfamilies (LCAG) <http://www.cocaf.org/kinship-larimer>

The Adoption Exchange Support Groups Listing <http://www.cocaf.org/support>

Adoption Subsidy Information <http://www.cocaf.org/subsidies>

Colorado Subsidy Information <http://www.cocaf.org/adoption-subsidy>

Expanding Title IV-E Adoption Assistance <http://www.cocaf.org/adoption-titleiv>

NACAC Report on Adoption Subsidies <http://www.cocaf.org/adoption-nacac-report>

National Subsidy Information <http://www.cocaf.org/adoption-national>

Conference Calls/Discussion Boards <http://www.cocaf.org/current-conference>

Child Welfare League of America <http://www.cocaf.org/conference-welfare>

Conscious Connections Talk Radio <http://www.cocaf.org/conference-conscious>

"Listening to Parents" Project Discussion Board <http://www.cocaf.org/conference-listening>

NAMI Children's Conference Calls <http://www.cocaf.org/conference-nami>

Education <http://www.cocaf.org/education-menu>

Casey "Foster Parent College" Scholarships <http://www.cocaf.org/scholarships-casey>

Expanded Access to College Financial Aid for Former Foster Youth <http://www.cocaf.org/college-aid>

Foster Youth Internship (FYI) Program <http://www.cocaf.org/youth-internship>

Mobility Issues & Special Education <http://www.cocaf.org/mobility>

Online Educational Advocacy Resource <http://www.cocaf.org/edu-advocacy>

Parents of Adults with Disabilities <http://www.cocaf.org/edu-parents>

Reducing Behavior Problems in the Classroom <http://www.cocaf.org/behavior-problems>

Spanish-Language Child Welfare Resources <http://www.cocaf.org/edu-spanish>

Financial Assistance & Information <http://www.cocaf.org/financial>

Financial Classes <http://www.cocaf.org/financial-classes>

LEAP <http://www.cocaf.org/financial-leap>

United Way's 2-1-1 Service <http://www.cocaf.org/financial-united>

Health Care <http://www.cocaf.org/healthcare>

Denver Options <http://www.cocaf.org/health-denver>

EPSDT: What It Is & Why It Is Important to Behavior Health Providers? <http://www.cocaf.org/epsdt>

Medicaid Waiver Information <http://www.cocaf.org/health-medicaidwaiver>

UHCCF Grants for Child Health Care Services <http://www.cocaf.org/health-uhccf>



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## Legislative Information <http://www.cocaf.org/laws>

Colorado Child Welfare Action Committee <http://www.cocaf.org/legislation-cowelfare>

Emancipation Documents Colorado Legislation <http://www.cocaf.org/legislation-upcoming>

Nebraska Safe Haven Law <http://www.cocaf.org/legislative-nebraska>

Voice for Adoption Child Welfare Legislation Information <http://www.cocaf.org/voice>

## Mental Health Care <http://www.cocaf.org/mental-health>

Attention Deficient Disorder Association (ADDA) <http://www.cocaf.org/mental-adda>

Autistic Children: ZAC Browser: Zone for Autistic Children <http://www.cocaf.org/mental-zac>

CHART: Children's Help and Assistance for Residential Treatment <http://www.cocaf.org/mental-chart>

Considering Residential Treatment Programs for Children <http://www.cocaf.org/mental-residential>

COPARC Therapist Database <http://www.cocaf.org/mental-nami>

E.R.I.C. Program <http://www.cocaf.org/mental-eric>

Guide on Bipolar Disorder in Children and Teens <http://www.cocaf.org/mental-bipolar>

Mental Health Websites <http://www.cocaf.org/mental-websites>

NAMI Connections Link <http://www.cocaf.org/mental-nami>

NAMI Guide to Crisis Intervention Programs for Youth <http://www.cocaf.org/nami-crisis>

New Parents and Teachers as Allies Resources <http://www.cocaf.org/mental-allies>

Therapeutic Services for Jefferson County Victims <http://www.cocaf.org/mental-therapeutic>

## Services & Resources <http://www.cocaf.org/community>

C.A.S.E. Adoption-Related Services <http://www.cocaf.org/services-case>

Family Unification Program Housing Choice Vouchers <http://www.cocaf.org/fup>

Grandfamilies State Law & Policy Resource Center <http://www.cocaf.org/grandfamilies>

Kinship Program at Catholic Charities <http://www.cocaf.org/kinship-catholic>

Respite Care Services <http://www.cocaf.org/respice-care>

Respite: Give Me a Break Respite Program <http://www.cocaf.org/respice-break>

## Training Resources <http://www.cocaf.org/trainers>

COCAF Calendar <http://www.cocaf.org/event/2009/04/30/month/all/all/1>

Colorado Department of Human Services (CDHS) <http://www.cocaf.org/trainers>

Evan B. Donaldson Adoption Institute <http://www.cocaf.org/trainers>

Foster Parent College (FPC) <http://www.cocaf.org/trainers>

Washington Learning Systems Website <http://www.cocaf.org/training-washington>

## Free-For-All <http://www.cocaf.org/free-for-all>

Colorado-for-Free: Things to Do for Free <http://www.cocaf.org/free-colorado>

Free Car Seat Checks <http://www.cocaf.org/carseat>

## Current Events <http://www.cocaf.org/current-events>

Conference Calls/Discussion Boards <http://www.cocaf.org/current-conference>

Child Welfare League of America <http://www.cocaf.org/conference-welfare>

Conscious Connections Talk Radio <http://www.cocaf.org/conference-conscious>

"Listening to Parents" Project Discussion Board <http://www.cocaf.org/conference-listening>

NAMI Children's Conference Calls <http://www.cocaf.org/conference-nami>