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# Webex Training

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## June 1

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.      **Motivating and Engaging Youth**

## June 2

10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.      **Permanency Options for Youth**

1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.      **Essential Communication Skills for Working with Youth**

## June 3

10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.      **Transition Plan: Helping Youth in Care Plan for their Future**

## June 4

9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.      **Milestones and Meaning: A Brief Introduction for Emerging LGBTQ+ Allies**

## June 7

1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.      **Preparing Youth in Care for the College Experience**

## June 8

10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.      **Street Smarts: Safety Skills for Youth in Care**

1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.      **Transition Plan: Helping Youth in Care Plan for their Future**

## June 9

9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.      **Preparing Youth in Care for Employment**

## June 11

10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.      **Boundaries: Setting Limits and Sharing Safely**

## June 14

1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.      **Permanency Options for Youth**

To register, visit the Human Services Learning Center  
at <https://www.hslcnys.org/> or contact Meaghan Hurley,  
mhurley@albany.edu or 518-442-6558 for the most up to date trainings.  
For the latest training descriptions visit: <https://bit.ly/320EeQQ>



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## June 15

- 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. **Essential Communication Skills for Working with Youth**  
1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **Milestones and Meaning: A Brief Introduction for Emerging LGBTQ+ Allies**

## June 16

- 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **Adolescent Sexuality: Promoting Sexual Health and Sexual Responsibility**

## June 17

- 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. **Preparing Youth in Care for the College Experience**  
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. **Motivating and Engaging Youth**

## June 21

- 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **Transition Plan: Helping Youth in Care Plan for their Future**

## June 22

- 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. **Street Smarts: Safety Skills for Youth in Care**  
1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **Permanency Options for Youth**

## June 23

- 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **Preparing Youth in Care for Employment**  
1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **Essential Communication Skills for Working with Youth**

## June 24

- 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. **Transition Plan: Helping Youth in Care Plan for their Future**  
1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **Permanency Options for Youth**

## June 25

- 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. **Milestones and Meaning: A Brief Introduction for Emerging LGBTQ+ Allies**  
1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **Boundaries: Setting Limits and Sharing Safely**

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# Resources

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## Youth in Progress

View resources for youth in New York State.

[www.youthinprogress.org](http://www.youthinprogress.org)

## LGBTQ Resources and Special Events Across NY State

New York State is home to the Stonewall Inn, Fire Island, and many other iconic monuments and locations central to LGBTQ culture. New York has numerous LGBTQ-friendly destinations throughout the state, from the funky neighborhoods of Buffalo (including Ani DiFranco's Babeville), Cherry Grove and the Pines on Fire Island, and the sculptures of Storm King. There's also hiking in the Adirondacks, sipping wine in the Finger Lakes, and riding the country's highest and longest zip line in the Catskills!

<https://www.iloveny.com/things-to-do/lgbtq/special-events/>

## Reunification Month

When out-of-home care becomes necessary, family reunification is often the ultimate goal. In this issue, Children's Bureau Express features a message from Associate Commissioner Aysha Schomburg about our country's history of separating families and how this year's National Reunification Month is a good time to recognize how far the child welfare system has come in keeping families together. She also speaks to the work that has yet to be done to ensure families stay together.

<https://cbexpress.acf.hhs.gov/index.cfm>

## Statewide Youth Services Training Course Catalog

Browse the descriptions of all the Webex course trainings, their duration and any prerequisites you may need.

[https://youthinprogress.org/default/assets/File/yst\\_catalog\\_100719-ADA.pdf](https://youthinprogress.org/default/assets/File/yst_catalog_100719-ADA.pdf)

## Training Youth Leaders

The GSA Clubs build power for a growing movement of LGBTQ+ youth of color and they actively support youth through training in leadership, organizing, and advocacy for racial and gender justice. They empower trans and queer youth to educate schools and communities, organize in coalition with other youth across identity lines, and advocate for just policies that protect all LGBTQ+ youth from harassment and violence.

<https://gsanetwork.org/train-youth-leaders/>





# SOCIAL CONNECTION

*June 2021 Social Media Updates*



## REUNIFICATION MONTH

Foster parents can be one of the most important resources to help children reunify with their families. Take a look at these tips for families:

<https://bit.ly/2SOgyQt>

## LGBTQ PRIDE MONTH

It's Pride Month and everyone is itching to celebrate this year! We've got events sorted by region for you and a list of local resources!

<https://bit.ly/2SFYLVn>



## HOUSING

Housing can be difficult to navigate as a young adult. Finding somewhere safe and affordable is one of the most important things you can do when transitioning out of care. We've put together a brochure to help:

<https://bit.ly/2SJ5e8o>



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*May 2021 Social Media Updates*



## SUPERVISED VISITS

As parents, visiting your children in foster care can be painful, scary, awkward, sad, or all of the above. Rise magazine has put together tips for you to make the most of visits:

<https://bit.ly/3wQ3Vn4>

## YOUTH SERVICES

Do you feel like you are in need of a service and don't know if it exists? Check out our Need to Know brochure, "Preparing Youth for Success: Services for Foster Care Youth and Former Foster Care Youth."

<https://bit.ly/2R8ZX9G>



## RECRUITMENT CAMPAIGN

Think Of Us is running a national youth awareness campaign. Their goal is to reach over 30% of the nation's foster youth before September 30, 2021, to create access to the new federal aid package and virtual support services. See how you can participate:

<https://bit.ly/3wMXi4H>



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