



Holiday: FCS office will be closed on 11/11/16

Annual Christmas Party—Sunday, December 4, 2016 from 3 – 6 p.m. at Crider’s Church Social Hall. Bring your spouse/significant others. Please provide a hot and cold dish to share. Drinks, cookies, and tableware provided.

Resource Parent Training: Total training hours should be completed and submitted for approval by 10/31/16. Talk with your client supervisor if you need help completing additional training hours.

Free Training: The HCQU continues to provide monthly training opportunities at the Franklin County Annex Building. You do need to RSVP, so talk with your client supervisor if interested. Upcoming training topics include: Understanding Common Syndromes on 10/14/16, Everyday Lives and Recovery: Mental Health Wellness and Recovery on 11/18/16, and Understanding the Endocrine System on 12/9/16. Training is available from 10 am-12 pm and 1 pm-3pm on all dates. A wide selection of HCQU topics are available online that can be completed at your convenience and you can print the training certificate from home.

Client mail: It is important that client mail from the Social Security Administration, County Assistance Office, or other government agencies is opened immediately to determine the level of priority. In some cases eligibility applications are delivered to the client’s address where they are currently living but must be returned to the relevant program office within 10 days. If the applications are not sent back in the required timeframe, denial of services and funding is possible. It would be best to avoid service denials so please call your client supervisors quickly if you receive eligibility paperwork in the mail.

\$100 Bonus!

Do you have friends or family that may be interested in being a resource family, caregiver, or adoptive parent? Let us know! When they provide care for 30 days, YOU get \$100! Invite them to contact our recruiting team leader Andrea Adams, ext. 209, aadams@familycareservices.org.

Home composition: All family members must meet the regulations prior to an individual moving into the home or prior to a new family member moving into the home once an individual is already placed. New family members moving into the home must be approved **in advance**. Please report these plans to your client supervisor as soon as possible so we can complete all requirements prior to the move date. Any person spending more than 30 nights or days in the home is considered a family member.

FCS Education & Training Center: We have recently added a bookshelf in the training room which contains many new training materials (DVDs and books). These materials are available to be signed out by you. Some of the training topics include: fetal alcohol syndrome, special education, autism, grief and loss, anger outbursts, childhood anxiety disorders, self harm, eating disorders, sexualized behaviors, ADD, ADHD, ODD and many more!



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The FCS office will be closed on the following holidays:

11/11/16	Veterans Day
11/24&25/16	Thanksgiving
12/23&26/16	Christmas
1/2/17	New Year's

FCS Web Site! Calendar of events, Resource Family Manual, current forms, 12 months of this newsletter, resources, staff listing and phone numbers are all on: <http://www.familycareservices.org>

*In honor of National Adoption Month,
The Adoption Coalition of Franklin County presents...*



FREE EVENT!

**Thursday, Nov. 3, 2016
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Red Bridge Roller Rink**

Skating and pizza!

**Event is open to all families!
*All children must be with an adult.***

Join us for a fun night to celebrate families and adoption!

The Adoption Coalition of Franklin County (ACFC) represents a partnership between Franklin Co. Children and Youth Service, Fulton Co. Services for Children, Children's Aid Society of Franklin Co., and Family Care Services.