



## What is Infant Adoption Training?

The Infant Adoption Training Initiative is a nationwide unified curriculum developed through a grant awarded by the Department of Health and Human Services.

This training is free. It is designed to assist care providers in giving adoption information and referral to pregnant women on an equal basis with all other courses of action included in nondirective counseling.

## Who can attend?

- State health department professionals (WIC, Best Beginnings, Public Health, etc.)
- School nurses
- Consumer and Family Science Teachers
- Crisis pregnancy centers
- Department of Family Services professionals
- Hospital nurses
- Staff from non-profit primary care clinics
- Indian health service staff
- Staff from youth and adult correctional facilities
- Staff from group care facilities and residential treatment centers
- Planned Parenthood
- Abstinence programs
- College student health services
- Nursing and Social Work Students
- Rape and domestic violence crisis centers
- Domestic violence shelters
- Police Officers/Sheriff Deputies
- Probation/Parole Officer
- Correction Officer
- Foster Parents and Coordinators

## What are the benefits?

Participants are eligible for:

- Free registration
- Free lodging and meals (Title X and Section 330)
- Mileage reimbursement (Title X and Section 330)
- Seven CEU's/contact hours for Social Workers
- Eight CEU's/contact hours for Nurses
- PTSB Credit for Teachers
- STARS Credit

## Where are the trainings held?

Typically the trainings are held in a conference room at a hotel located in your area. If you are a qualified participant and you live more than 60 miles from the training location, you may be eligible for free lodging at the hotel in which the training is provided.

## What is the content of the training?

### Module 1: Introduction

Participants will be able to articulate their role in providing pregnancy options counseling in a nondirective, noncoercive manner and be able to separate their personal values from professional values in providing options counseling.

### Module 2: Adoption Practices

Participants will learn about the history of adoption in our culture, how adoption is currently practiced, learn about Open, Semi-Open & Confidential adoption, and learn adoption-sensitive language in order to present adoption in a manner that facilitates open communication

### Module 3: Social, Cultural, and Personal

Participants will be able to identify social, cultural, and personal influences with an individual client and openly discuss these issues with her and assist the woman in determining how to relate to these various influences in arriving at the decision that best meets her needs and desires.

### Module 4: Adoption Law and Procedure

Participants will learn basic legal knowledge about adoption law in Wyoming.

### Module 5: Non-directive Techniques for Informed Decision Making

Participants will gain an understanding of core issues in options counseling, an awareness of the influence your personal culture, values, issues and beliefs have on your delivery of adoption information, and information and tools to provide culturally sensitive, nondirective options counseling.

### Module 6: Resources and Referrals – Awareness of Community Resources

The training will provide participants with information and tools to make informed referrals for pregnancy counseling and adoption services.

## How do I register for the training?

Join us for a fun filled day of training, food, and wonderful giveaways. Sign up for a training in your area at [www.infantadoptiontraining.org](http://www.infantadoptiontraining.org) and click on **Training; Training Schedule; Register to Attend** or, contact Julie Schaub at 307-632-7619 or [jschaub@wyomingcs.org](mailto:jschaub@wyomingcs.org).

Registration is first-come, first-serve....Sign up TODAY!