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# **“Development of integrated social services for exposed families and children”**



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## **PROGRAMME OF TRAINING-SEMINAR**

### **Work with children in the process of establishing a foster family or family type children home**

**Event:** seminar-training

**Target group:**

- specialists of rayon and city services for minors;
- specialists of rayon and city Centres of Social Services for Families, Children and Youth (Kyiv Oblast)

**Time:** 3 – 4 October, 2006

**Venue:** Recreation Camp «Leader»,  
Kyiv, Pushcha–Vodytsya, 16, Yunkerova str.

**Objective:**

- to provide effective protection of the rights of children, placed in foster families and family type children homes, by means of enhancing cooperation between Service for Minors and Centers of Social Services for Families, Children and Youth;
- to increase the capacity of the representatives from rayon and city services for minors and centers of social services for families, children and youth in their work with children-orphans and children, deprived of parental care in the process of establishing foster family or family type children home.

#### **Tasks:**

- 1) To study the peculiarities of cooperation between Centres of Social Services for Families, Children and Youth and Service for Minors in the process of establishing and functioning of foster families/family type children homes.
- 2) To study the methods in the activity of specialists to be carried out in the process of selecting and placing children-orphans and children, deprived of parental care in a foster family/ family type children homes; assessment of the needs of child and the family.
- 3) To develop methods of work with children, aimed to protect their rights on the stage of establishing foster families/family type children homes; child participation in decision-making process during child's placement in alternative family forms of care.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> of October

Time	Event
9.00-10.00	<i>Arrival of the participants. Registration.</i>
10.00-11.30	<b>Session I.</b> Beginning of the work. Presentation of the training programme for the seminar. Participants get to know each other. Rules of work in the group. Expectations. Work with notions "child", "foster child", "children's rights".
11.30-12.00	<i>Break</i>
12.00-13.30	<b>Session II.</b> Cooperation of Service for Minors and Center of Social Services for Families, Children and Youth in the process of establishing foster families and family-type children homes. Beliefs of specialists, who work with foster families/family-type children homes Impact of expectations on selection of children-orphan and children, deprived of parental care, potential foster parents
13.30-14.30	<i>Break for lunch</i>
14.30-16.00	<b>Session III.</b> Importance in correct selection of children-orphan, children, deprived of parental care and potential foster parents. Selection criteria. Feelings of the child, who is going to be placed in a foster family/family type children home. Work in groups.
16.00-16.30	<i>Break</i>
16.30-18.00	<b>Session IV.</b> Assessment of potential foster parents before child's placement. Work in groups. Criteria for the selection of potential foster parents/carers.
18.00	<i>Dinner</i>

### 4<sup>th</sup> of October

Time	Event
8.00-9.00	<i>Breakfast</i>
9.00-10.30	<b>Session V.</b> Assessment of child's needs. Work in groups.
10.30-11.00	<i>Break</i>
11.00-12.30	<b>Session VII.</b> Presentation of the results of work in the groups. Preparation of the child to be placed in the family. Stages and principles in preparation process.
12.30-13.30	<i>Break for lunch</i>
13.30-15.00	<b>Session VIII.</b> Planning, arranging and conducting the meeting of the child with potential foster parents/carers. Conversation with the child-orphan.
15.30-16.00	<i>Break</i>
16.00 -17.00	<b>Session IX.</b> Preparation of biological children of foster parents for placing child-orphan or child, deprived of parental care in their family. Conclusions. Analysis of the achieved expectations.