

Foster Carer Training Availability

Please find below a list of training sessions available with an indication of whether each session has spaces available or is full. If the session is full it is advisable to put your name on the Waiting List as places often become available during the year.

Training is available to all Worcestershire Children First Fostering Foster Carers, Kinship Carers, carers with a Special Guardianship Order or Child Arrangements Order (Residence Order)

Specific 2-hour **Refresher sessions** are available for carers who need to refresh their Core training at 3 years. Emergency First Aid Refreshers are still via the full day sessions.

2-hour Safer Caring and Understanding Behaviour **Bitesize sessions** are available for 2nd carers in a household (where the 1st carer has already attended a full session)

2-hour Safer Caring and Understanding Behaviour Bitesize sessions are available for people providing support for fostering households

Core training (Initial, Refresher and Bitesize) can also be completed via your **Foster Care Training Hub e-learning** account. Please see the Carer Core Training Requirements document for details of which e-learning should be completed.

To book a place

Please contact the Fostering Training Team via: fosteringtraining@worcschildrenfirst.org.uk

Places are allocated on a first come, first served basis. Joining instructions for classroom sessions will be emailed out one week prior to each event. Video Conferencing meeting invitations will be emailed out a day or so before the session.

Core Training

Core Course	Date, time and venue	Availability
Contact Initial	Friday 07 January 2022 10:00 to 14:30 Zoom	Places
Contact Refresher	Saturday 22 January 2022 10:00 to 12:00 Zoom	Places
De-Escalation	Wednesday 19 and Thursday 20 January 2022 10:00 to 14:30 Attendance is required both days Video Conferencing	Places
Education	Wednesday 09 February 2022 11:00 to 12:00 Microsoft Teams	Places
Emergency First Aid – face to face	Friday 14 January 2022 10:00 to 14:30 Bromsgrove	Places
Emergency First Aid – face to face	Saturday 05 March 2022 10:00 to 14:30 Worcester	Limited Places

Get Safe - Raising Awareness of Exploitation and Vulnerability	Monday 06 December 2021 18:00 to 20:00 Microsoft Teams	Full
Get Safe - Raising Awareness of Exploitation and Vulnerability	Wednesday 26 January 2022 10:00 to 12:00 Microsoft Teams	Places
Get Safe - Raising Awareness of Exploitation and Vulnerability	Thursday 03 February 2022 18:00 to 20:00 Microsoft Teams	Places
Get Safe - Raising Awareness of Exploitation and Vulnerability	Friday 11 March 2022 10:00 to 12:00 Microsoft Teams	Places
Safeguarding Initial	Tuesday 18 January 2022 10:00 to 13:00 Zoom	Places
Safeguarding Refresher	Saturday 12 February 2022 10:00 to 12:00 Zoom	Places
Safer Caring Initial	Tuesday 07 December 2021 10:00 to 13:00 Video Conferencing	Places
Safer Caring Refresher/Bitesize	Thursday 03 February 2022 10:00 to 12:00 Video Conferencing	Places
Understanding Behaviour Refresher/Bitesize	Monday 24 January 2022 18:00 to 20:00 Video Conferencing	Places
Understanding Behaviour Bitesize for people providing support for fostering households	Saturday 08 January 2022 10:00 to 12:00 Video Conferencing	Places
Valuing Difference Initial	Thursday 27 January 2022 10:00 to 13:00 Zoom	Places
Valuing Difference Refresher	Tuesday 01 March 2022 18:00 to 20:00 Zoom	Places
What Is Health Initial	Thursday 10 February 2022 10:00 to 13:00 Microsoft Teams	Places
What Is Health Refresher	Thursday 10 March 2022 10:00 to 12:00 Microsoft Teams	Places

Developmental Training

There is also lots of Developmental E-learning available via your Foster Care Training Hub e-learning account. Please apply online or contact Fostering Training to request Hub e-learning.

Please check with your Supervising Social Worker that any Developmental training is recorded as a **Learning Goal** on your **Household Learning and Development Plan** before applying for a video conferencing place or Hub e-learning.

Developmental Course	Date, time and venue	Availability
Allegations	Thursday 13 January 2022 10:00 to 13:00 Video Conferencing	Places
Autism Awareness	Wednesday 02 February 2022 10:00 to 13:00 Zoom	Places
Carer Membership Refresher (Foster Talk)	Monday 14 February 2022 10:00 to 11:00 Video Conferencing	Places
Cultural Competency	Saturday 11 December 2021 10:00 to 12:00 Video Conferencing	Places
Foundations For Attachment Group January to February 2022	Session 1 of 6 Tuesday 11 January 2022 Session 2 of 6 Tuesday 18 January 2022 Session 3 of 6 Tuesday 25 January 2022 Session 4 of 6 Tuesday 01 February 2022 Session 5 of 6 Tuesday 08 February 2022 Session 6 of 6 Tuesday 15 February 2022 All sessions 10:00 to 12:00 Attendance is required at all 6 sessions Zoom	Places
Life Story	Tuesday 08 March 2022 10:00 to 13:00 Microsoft Teams	Places
Nurturing Attachments Group January to April 2022	Session 1 of 12 Friday 07 January 2022 Session 2 of 12 Friday 14 January 2022 Session 3 of 12 Friday 21 January 2022 Session 4 of 12 Friday 28 January 2022 Session 5 of 12 Friday 04 February 2022 Session 6 of 12 Friday 11 February 2022 Session 7 of 12 Friday 18 February 2022 Session 8 of 12 Friday 04 March 2022 Session 9 of 12 Friday 18 March 2022 Session 10 of 12 Friday 25 March 2022 Session 11 of 12 Friday 01 April 2022	Places

	Session 12 of 12 Wednesday 06 April 2022 All sessions 10:00 to 13:00 Attendance is required at all 12 sessions Zoom	
Self-Harm Awareness	Thursday 02 December 2021 10:00 to 13:00 Zoom	Places
Staying Put	Monday 17 January 2022 10:00 to 11:00 Microsoft Teams	Places
Kinship TSD4 workshop - Standard 4: Understand the development of children and young people	Monday 06 December 2021 10:00 to 12:30 Microsoft Teams	Places
Kinship TSD5 workshop – Standard 5: Keep children and young people safe from harm	Monday 10 January 2022 10:00 to 12:30 Microsoft Teams	Places
Kinship TSD6 workshop - Standard 6: Develop yourself	Monday 07 February 2022 10:00 to 12:30 Microsoft Teams	Places
Mainstream TSD4 workshop - Standard 4: Know how to communicate effectively	Wednesday 08 December 2021 10:00 to 12:30 Microsoft Teams	Places
Mainstream TSD5 workshop - Standard 5: Understanding the development of children and young people	Wednesday 12 January 2022 10:00 to 12:30 Microsoft Teams	Places
Mainstream TSD6 workshop - Standard 6: Keep children and young people safe from harm	Wednesday 09 February 2022 10:00 to 12:30 Microsoft Teams	Places
Mainstream TSD7 workshop - Standard 7: Develop yourself	Wednesday 09 March 2022 10:00 to 12:30 Microsoft Teams	Places
Understanding Depression and Anxiety	Monday 07 March 2022 10:00 to 13:00 Zoom	Places
Understanding and Managing Stress	Wednesday 19 January 2022 10:00 to 13:00 Zoom	Places