

APRIL 26, 2011

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS REGARDING TRAININGS

Q: What are the required trainings I need to complete and how often do I need to complete them?

A: You are required to complete CPR and First Aid Training, Mandatory Child Abuse Reporter Training and Medication Management. All three MUST BE completed within the first year of licensure. Then CPR and First Aid needs to be completed every three years, Mandatory Child Abuse Reporter needs to be completed every five years, and Medication Management only needs to be completed once.

Q: When do I need to have my training completed by for my renewal?

A: Please see chart listed below.

If you were licensed in the following month:	All of your training requirements must be completed by the following date:
August 2010	May 31, 2011
September 2010	June 30, 2011
October 2010	July 31, 2011
November 2010	August 31, 2011
December 2010	September 30, 2011
January 2011	October 31, 2011
February 2011	November 30, 2011
March 2011	December 31, 2011
April 2011	January 31, 2012

Q: How do I complete the Medication Management Training?

A: You must read the Medication Management booklet (found on the IFAPA website) and answer the ten review questions on pages 14 and 15. You can turn in your completed questionnaire to your KidsNet Licensing Worker to receive credit for completing it.

Q: How do I register for an IFAPA CPR and First Aid Training?

A: Registrations can NOT be taken over the phone or via email/online registration form. Please complete the registration form found in the training book that was mailed out or you can print one off of our website. You will need to complete this form and mail that and your payment into the IFAPA office. Once we receive your form and payment you will be registered for the class your requested.

Q: How do I register for any of IFAPA's other trainings?

A: You can register via email/online registration form or by calling our office at 800-277-8145 ext. 1. All emails and phone calls will be returned within two business days.

Q: If I cannot attend an IFAPA training I registered for, do I need to contact IFAPA to cancel my spot in the class?

A: If you know (on or before 4pm) the day before the training that you cannot attend please contact Stephanie via email at smiles@ifapa.org or at 800-277-8145 ext 1, so she can remove you from the class list. There may be times that we have a waiting list to get into a class, so please be considerate of others on the waiting list and let us know if you cannot attend.

Q: How do I know if an IFAPA training is cancelled?

A: If a training is cancelled due to low enrollment, all participants registered will be notified, and it will be listed on the IFAPA website under the training schedule. If a training is cancelled due to weather, IFAPA will notify all registered participants and it will be listed on our Training Coordinators voicemail (Jesica Culp).

Q: Is there childcare provided at IFAPA trainings?

A: We do NOT provide childcare at any of our training nor are children permitted.

Q: Does IFAPA send out reminders to people that registered for a training?

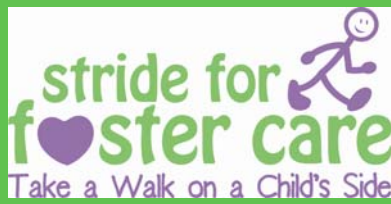
A: If IFAPA has your email address, then you will receive a reminder email the week prior to the training. If IFAPA does not have an email address, then you will receive a letter in the mail. All CPR and First Aid participants will receive a letter in the mail. Please be sure to check your e-mail and/or mail for our training reminders. The reminder will contain the training location including building and room details needed to find your class.

TRAINING SPOTLIGHT

Supporting Children Exposed to Domestic Violence

(3 hrs credit) - This training focuses on the dynamics of domestic violence, the impact of exposure to domestic violence on children, and strategies for supporting children who have been exposed to domestic violence. This class is for parents with all levels of experience in caring for children who have been exposed to domestic violence. **Trainer: Pam Jones**

Upcoming Trainings: **May 14** (8:30am-11:45pm) **AMES**
May 14 (1:30pm-4:45pm) **DES MOINES**
May 21 (1pm-4:15pm) **DUBUQUE**



SATURDAY, MAY 7TH

CHECK IN AT 10:30AM

WALK AT 11:00AM

WEST DES MOINES, IA

RACCOON RIVER PARK

(2500 GRAND AVE)

To find more details and to register or donate to the walk, visit:

[www.ifapa.org/events/stride for foster care walk.asp](http://www.ifapa.org/events/stride%20for%20foster%20care%20walk.asp)

About the Event: Join IFAPA for our 2nd annual Stride for Foster Care Walk Fundraiser. This event includes a 3.2 mile walk and will end with free pizza and activities for everyone. Money raised from the walk will benefit IFAPA's Training & Friends of Children in Foster Care Programs.

How to Register: Walkers are asked to register and pay a \$30 registration fee which includes a t-shirt and free pizza for lunch. Kids 11 & under can attend for free; kids t-shirts are also available to purchase for \$10 each.

Virtual Walk: Can't make it to West Des Moines for our walk? You can participate in our Virtual Walk, walk in your own community and still fundraise for your chance to earn great prizes!

PS-MAPP TRAINERS WANTED

Iowa KidsNet is looking for foster and/or adoptive parents or social workers interested in becoming PS-MAPP leaders to help train Iowa's future foster parents. PS-MAPP Leaders are certified leaders that will co-train the PS-MAPP curriculum to prepare prospective foster and/or adoptive parents using the approved 30-hour preparation curriculum on a contract basis.

Areas in Need

- Social work leaders are needed in the Cedar Rapids, Burlington, Keokuk, Council Bluffs and Sioux City regions.
- Foster parent leaders are needed in Burlington, Keokuk & Council Bluffs.

Qualifications for PS-MAPP Leaders

Social workers must:

- Be a currently employed social worker working as foster home licensing worker or special needs adoption worker with responsibility for evaluating/studying families.
- Have at least two years experience in licensing foster families for special needs adoption.

Foster and/or adoptive parent must:

- Be a licensed foster parent with at least two years of active parenting of a foster child(ren) and/or an adoptive parent of a child.

Preparation of Leaders

To become certified, candidates must participate fully in the seven-day leader certification class offered by Iowa KidsNet in Des Moines on June 7-10 & June 21-23, 2011 from 9am to 4:30pm.

How to Apply

If you would like to become a PS-MAPP leader, please visit the following link for information on application instructions, leader expectations, compensation:

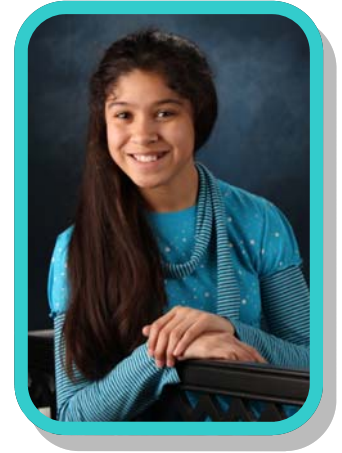
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WAITING CHILD SPOTLIGHT

MEET ALLEE - AGE 11

If Allee could choose a family, she would pick one with a farm—preferably a farm with lots of animals. This fun young lady loves animals, and would love to help take care of them. As an energetic, active child, she loves to be outside, swim, bowl, play sports, play with animals, shop, play games, and travel.

Allee likes indoor activities as well, including art projects like coloring and painting, music, playing the clarinet, singing, doing puzzles, and playing Nintendo DS and Wii. A smart, talkative girl, Allee is doing well at school, where her teachers report that she “displays a positive attitude and is self-confident.” She has recently shown improvement in being truthful, staying on task, and getting along with others.



Allee likes attention and interaction with adults, and is anxious to become part of a family. Due to several past incidents, however, Allee has experienced quite a bit of loss and trauma in her young life and therefore has some specific needs. She will require support, supervision, and attention, and should be the only or youngest child in her future family. Allee receives regular therapy to address some issues, and will require ongoing services to be successful in a family setting.

A potential family should be ready to offer a highly-structured, nurturing environment, and be able to set clear limits and establish healthy boundaries for this thoughtful, caring young lady. Allee would like to remain in contact with her current foster family and in-home service provider due to the bond and positive relationships she has formed with them.

Can you be the loving adoptive family for Allee?

For more information, contact Iowa KidsNet at 800-243-0756 or visit www.iowakidsnet.com.

