

12 hour in-service credit!

"Making the Commitment to Adoption"

Sponsored by Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services Facilitated by Nebraska Foster & Adoptive Parent Association

Spaulding/In-service Training offered at two locations! Choose the location that works for you!

North Platte Fire Station 715 S. Jeffers North Platte, NE August 14, 2015: 6:00-9:30 p.m. August 15, 2015: 8:00-5:30 p.m. (one hour break for lunch) Regional West Medical Center South Plaza (4021 Ave. B) Scottsbluff August 28, 2015: 6:00-9:30 p.m. August 29, 2015: 8:00-5:30 p.m. (one hour break for lunch)

The Spaulding program is offered to prospective adoptive families. Spaulding training offers families the tools and information that they need to:

- Explain how adoptive families are different
- Importance of separation, loss, and grief in adoption
- Understand attachment and its importance in adoption
- Anticipate challenges and be able to identify strategies for managing challenges as an adoptive family
- Explore the lifelong commitment to a child that adoption brings

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1) Exploring Expectations—Defining adoption, the process, and the key players. Participant's hopes and fears about the adoption process are recognized and empowerment strategies are identified to assist them in the process. Participant's explore their fantasies about children they might adopt to become aware of the possible influence on their decision about adoption.

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- 2) Meeting the Needs of Waiting Children—Assist prospective adoptive parents in focusing on the needs of children awaiting adoption. Explore the issues of separation, loss, grief and attachment. Plus the unique issues related to parenting a child who has been sexually abused.
- 3) Exploring Adoption Issues—Identify supports within their family and introduce them to common issues that all adoptive families face. Help develop strategies for dealing with these issues; explore crisis periods in adoption; explore their own strengths, needs and challenges as they consider adoption.
- **4) Making the Commitment**—Assist prospective adoptive parents in considering resources they may need, what they need to know, what they need to do, and what they need to explore about themselves as they consider adopting a particular child or children.

	Registration Form—Making the Commitment to Adoption
Name: _	North Platte Scottsbluff
Address:	City/Zip
Phone: _	You will be notified if Spaulding is cancelled due to low attendance. Please note times of the training.
Mail you	ir registration to: NFAPA, 2431 Fairfield Street, Suite C, Lincoln, NE 68521 402-476-2273 Toll-Free 877-257-0176