



Department of Children & Youth

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The University of Cincinnati, School of Social Work is an approved Continuing Education Provider. OCWTP programs designated as approved for licensure credit hours can be used by licensees toward license renewal requirements. Only individuals completing training in its entirety will receive Certificates of Training. For additional information regarding CSWMFTB, visit <http://cswmft.ohio.gov>.

Please refer to CAPS LMS for learning descriptions and to find out which sessions are designated for Social Worker, Counselor, or both licensure hours. OCWTP trainings are NOT being uploaded to CE Broker currently, this is the responsibility of the Learner.

Caseworker Core 2.0 (Restricted to NEORTC PCSA staff only) -Must complete within 1 year of hire
Most courses have pre-requisites, refer to the Caseworker Core 2.0 Learner Passport for more information. Virtual Statewide Core 2.0 sessions are also available, refer to CAPS LMS.

29151	Assuring Child Safety in Key Practice Areas	Lori Merkel	Wednesday, April 1, 2026	NEORTC
23875	Collaboration and Teaming	Carmen Toro Wooten	Friday, April 3, 2026 10:00am – 3:30pm <i>Includes 1 hour lunch break</i>	NEORTC
23873	Engagement and Interviewing Skills Practice	Kelly Crampton	Monday, April 6, & Tuesday, April 7, 2026 9:00am – 12:00pm each day	VIRTUAL
24760	Preparing For and Completing Case Closure	Lisa Fleischer	Thursday, April 9, 2026 10:00am – 2:45pm <i>Includes 1 hour lunch break</i>	VIRTUAL STATEWIDE
23874	Interviewing Children	Marquetese (Nikki) Betts	Monday, April 13, 2026 8:45am – 12:30pm	NEORTC
29381	Determining if Abuse or Neglect Occurred	Lori Merkel	Monday, April 20, 2026	NEORTC
23053	Fact Gathering Skills Practice	Kenyetta Lee Lomax	Tuesday, April 28, 2026 9:00am – 12:30pm	VIRTUAL
23877	Quality Assessments of Safety: Is Immediate Intervention Necessary to Assure Child Safety?	Lori Merkel	Monday, May 4, 2026	NEORTC
23878	Assessing Risk of Future Harm	Melanie Hale	Thursday, May 14, 2026	NEORTC



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23876	Core (Module 6): Service Planning and Delivery in Family-Centered Child Protective Services	Melanie Hale	Thursday, May 21, Friday, May 22, & Tuesday, May 26, 2026	NEORTC
27333	Preparing For and Completing Case Closure	Lisa Fleischer	Wednesday, May 27, 2026 10:00am-2:45pm <i>Includes 1 hour lunch break</i>	VIRTUAL STATEWIDE
23914	Assuring Child Safety in Key Practice Areas	Warne Edwards	Tuesday, June 2, 2026	NEORTC
23907	Working Towards Successful Reunification: Strengthening the Relationship Between Primary and Resource Families	Nikaeda Griffie	Thursday, June 11, 2025	NEORTC
23885	Preparing For and Completing Case Closure	Linda Davis	Tuesday, June 16, 2026 10:00am – 2:45pm <i>Includes 1 hour lunch break</i>	VIRTUAL
27337	Fact Gathering Skills Practice	Kenyetta Lomax	Thursday, June 18, 2026 9:00am – 12:30pm	VIRTUAL STATEWIDE
23903	Managing Effects of Separation	Angie Irby	Monday, June 22, 2026 10:00am – 3:00pm <i>Includes 1 hour lunch break</i>	NEORTC
30269	Determining if Abuse or Neglect Occurred	Karen Setterlin	Wednesday, June 24, 2026	NEORTC
30373	Fact Gathering Skills Practice	Kristin Sparks	Thursday, June 25, 2026 9:00am – 12:30pm	VIRTUAL STATEWIDE
23879	Courtroom Testimony Skills Practice	John Everett	Tuesday, June 30, 2026 9:00am – 12:00pm	VIRTUAL
23881	Courtroom Testimony Skills Practice	John Everett	Tuesday, June 30, 2026 1:00pm – 4:00pm	VIRTUAL

ASSESSOR SERIES 2024 *If planning to become an Assessor please register for Assessor Series 2024 Curriculum in CAPS LMS- most courses have prerequisites-check CAPS LMS. Virtual Statewide Assessor Series 2024 sessions are also available, refer to CAPS LMS.*



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28372	Supporting Resource and Adoptive Families	Susan Darden-Kautz	Thursday, April 2, 2026 8:45am – 12:15pm	NEORTC
27357	Supporting Resource and Adoptive Families	Susan Darden-Kautz	Wednesday, April 8, 2026 1:00pm – 4:30pm	VIRTUAL STATEWIDE
28373	Completing the Homestudy	Mandy Weaver	Tuesday, April 21, 2026 8:30am – 12:15pm	NEORTC
27360	Supporting Resource and Adoptive Families	Susan Darden-Kautz	Wednesday, May 13, 2026 9:00am – 12:30pm	VIRTUAL STATEWIDE
28374	The Importance of Documentation	Deanna Prezioso	Thursday, May 14, 2025 9:00am – 12:00pm	NEORTC
28375	The Impact of Placement	Deanna Prezioso	Thursday, May 14, 2025 1:00pm – 3:00pm	NEORTC
27217	Supporting Children of Color	Susan Darden-Kautz	Thursday, May 28, 2026 9:00am – 10:30am	VIRTUAL STATEWIDE
28376	Managing Difficult Conversations in the Homestudy	Angie Irby	Wednesday, June 10, 2026 8:45am – 12:00pm	NEORTC
28377	Matching Process	Angie Irby	Wednesday, June 10, 2026 1:00pm – 3:30pm	NEORTC
27215	Supporting Children of Color	Angie Irby	Monday, June 15, 2026 1:00pm – 2:30pm	VIRTUAL STATEWIDE
SUPERVISOR CORE 2.0 -Restricted to PCSA Supervisors Only <i>Most courses have pre-requisites, refer to the Supervisor Core 2.0 Learner Passport for more information. Virtual Statewide Supervisor Core sessions are also available, refer to CAPS LMS.</i>				
27253	Managing for Outcomes: Using Ohio SACWIS Data to Improve Unit Performance	Kristie Heckman	Thursday, April 2, 2026 12:30pm – 4:15pm	VIRTUAL STATEWIDE
24443	Supervising Separation and Placement Decisions	Tim Merle	Thursday, April 9 & Friday, April 10, 2026 9:00am - 12:00pm each day	VIRTUAL
24215	Assuring Effective Court Testimony	Karen Setterlin	Wednesday, May 6, 2026	NEORTC



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26383	Managing for Outcomes: Using SACWIS Data to Improve Unit Performance	Barb Cline	Friday, May 15, 2026 9:00am – 12:45pm	VIRTUAL
24572	Case Consultation and Critical Thinking	Warne Edwards	Tuesday, June 9, 2026	NEORTC
28508	Managing for Outcomes: Using Ohio SACWIS Data to Improve Unit Performance	Kristie Heckman	Thursday, June 18, 2026 9:00am – 12:45pm	VIRTUAL STATEWIDE

SUPERVISORY

Child Welfare Supervisors must obtain 30 hours of ongoing training per year based upon promotion date (if hired as a Supervisor it is based on hire date)

29020	Managing Millennials: Why Generational Experiences Matter NEW TO CAPS LMS	Les Helms	Tuesday, June 2, 2026	NEORTC
24350	An Introduction to Reflective Practice and Reflective Supervision <i>Meets LISW-S requirement</i>	Donna Scott	Thursday, June 11, 2026	NEORTC

Non-Standardized/Specialized Training

Caseworkers must obtain 36 hours of ongoing training per year based upon hire date

Courses recommended for completion AFTER Core are designated with an * Asterisk
Courses appropriate for 6-Hour Ongoing Assessor Training Requirement have Session IDs highlighted in yellow, however, agencies have discretion in determining what trainings meet the Ongoing Assessor Requirement.

APRIL 2026

28966	Stress and Coping Skills – Survival Skills for Child Welfare Workers NEW TO CAPS LMS	Dan Houston	Tuesday, April 7, & Tuesday, April 14, 2026 9:00am to 12:00pm each day	VIRTUAL
28761	Understanding the Impact of Parental Incarceration on Children and Families NEW TO CAPS LMS	Joy Reid	Wednesday, April 8, 2026	NEORTC
28887*	Confidence in the Courtroom	Lauri Wolfe	Friday, April 10, 2026	NEORTC



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26974*	Safe and Together: Domestic Violence-Informed Assessments and Interviews <i>Meets OAC DV Requirement within 2 years of hire</i>	Lesley Keown	Monday, April 13, & Tuesday, April 14, 2026	NEORTC
29119	Elevating Facilitation Skills (YCPRT) NEW <i>Open to anyone who facilitates agency meetings</i>	Casie Burke	Tuesday, April 14, 2026	NEORTC
28367	The Ethics of Trauma Informed Self-Care <i>Meets Ethics CEU Requirement</i>	Laura Faye Perkins	Wednesday, April 15, & Thursday, April 16, 2026 9:00am – 12:00pm	VIRTUAL
29265*	Precision and Purpose: Effective Writing for Child Protective Professionals NEW	Debra Johanyak	Thursday, April 16, 2026	Wayne County CSB 34 Burbank Rd. Coster, OH 44691
28799*	Exploring Personal Perspectives in Child Sexual Abuse Cases <i>Meets Ethics CEU Requirement</i>	Georgette Constantinou	Tuesday, April 21, 2026 10:00am – 2:45pm <i>Includes 1 hour lunch break</i>	VIRTUAL
29253	Enhancing Visitation NEW TO CAPS LMS	Linda Davis	Tuesday, April 21, & Wednesday, April 22, 2026 9:00am – 12:00pm each day	VIRTUAL
27229	The Power of Healing Connections: Using Trust Based Relational Intervention with Adoptive and Foster Families	Jayne Schooler	Friday April 24, 2026	Lorain County CS 226 Middle Ave. Elyria, OH 44035
27332	Motivating and Managing Teen Behavior	David Zidar	Tuesday, April 28, 2026 Moved from March 23, 2026	NEORTC
28525	Assessing the Dynamics of Parents Who Are at Risk of Killing Their Children: Filicide NEW TO CAPS LMS	Paul Martin	Thursday, April 30, 2026	NEORTC

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MAY 2026				
28532	Psychiatric Medications	Paul Martin	Friday, May 1, 2026	NEORTC
28630*	Precision and Purpose: Effective Writing for Child Protective Professionals NEW	Debra Johanyak	Tuesday, May 5, 2026	NEORTC
23584	Working with Youth Who Display Psychotic Features: Double Checking Reality	Jim Still-Pepper	Thursday, May 7 & Friday, May 8, 2026 1:00pm – 4:00pm each day	VIRTUAL
28951	Child and Adolescent Violence	Paul Martin	Friday, May 15, 2026	NEORTC
28526	The First Cut is the Deepest: An Overview of Self-Injurious Behavior	Brian Bethel	Monday, May 18, 2026	NEORTC
24445*	Beyond the Silence: Forensic Interviewing Part One	Heidi Malott	Wednesday, May 20, Thursday, May 21, 9:00am – 4:00pm & Friday, May 22, 2026 9:00am – 12:00pm	NEORTC
26971	Management of Children with Challenging Behaviors	David Zidar	Wednesday, May 27, 2026	NEORTC
27003*	Understanding a Child's Experience of Sexual Abuse <i>Pre-requisites required</i>	Mary Eck	Thursday, May 28, & Friday, May 29, 2026 9:00am – 12:00pm	VIRTUAL
27917	What Should We Do? Ethical Decision-Making in Adoption <i>Meets Ethics CEU Requirement</i>	Maureen Heffernan	Friday, May 29, 2026 8:45am – 12:00pm	NEORTC
27918	What Should We Do? Ethical Decision-Making in Adoption <i>Meets Ethics CEU Requirement</i>	Maureen Heffernan	Friday, May 29, 2026 1:00pm – 4:15pm	NEORTC

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27336*	Child Protection Worker Safety: Planning for Safe Home Visits	Lauri Wolfe	Wednesday, June 3, 2026	NEORTC
24725	Preventing Foster and Adoption Care Disruptions	Jim Still-Pepper	Thursday, June 4, 2025	Ashtabula County CSB 3914 C Court Ashtabula OH 44004
29222*	Child and Animal Abuse	Theresa Chrisman	Tuesday, June 9, 2026 Moved from May 12, 2026	NEORTC
28537	Trauma-Informed Care: The Neuroscience of Trauma and Resilience	Laura Faye Perkins	Wednesday, June 10, & Thursday, June 11, 2026 9:00am – 12:00pm each day	VIRTUAL
23076	Trust-Based Relational Intervention (TBRI) Module 1: Introduction and Overview	Kristen King	Monday, June 15, 2026 9:00am – 12:00pm	VIRTUAL
26972	Lifebooks: The Gift that Keeps Giving	Beth Cardina	Thursday, June 18, 2026 9:00am – 12:00pm	NEORTC
26973	Understanding the Role of the Court Appointed Special Advocates and Guardians ad Litem in Child Protection	Beth Cardina	Thursday, June 18, 2026 1:00pm – 4:00pm	NEORTC
28901	Finding Family: Locating and Engaging Kin and Other Caring Adults	Maureen Heffernan	Thursday, June 18, 2026	NEORTC
29418	The 3 R's of Ethics: Recognition, Resolution, and Response <i>Meets Ethics CEU Requirement</i>	Stacy Simera	Wednesday, June 24, 2026 8:45am-12:00pm	VIRTUAL
29419	The 3 R's of Ethics: Recognition, Resolution, and Response <i>Meets Ethics CEU Requirement</i>	Stacy Simera	Wednesday, June 24, 2026 1:00-4:15pm	VIRTUAL
23077	Trust-Based Relational Intervention: Connecting Principles <i>Part of the TBRI Series</i>	Kristen King	Wednesday, June 24, 2026	NEORTC
29783	Relax! Its Only a Crisis	David Zidar	Thursday, June 25, 2026	NEORTC



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23078	Trust-Based Relational Intervention: Empowering Principles <i>Part of the TBRI Series</i>	Kristen King	Thursday, June 25, 2026	NEORTC
27006	Understanding a Family's Experience of Sexual Abuse <i>Pre-requisites required</i>	Mary Eck	Thursday, June 25, & Friday, June 26, 2026 9:00am – 12:00pm each day	VIRTUAL
23079	Trust-Based Relational Intervention: Correcting Principles <i>Part of the TBRI Series</i>	Kristen King	Friday, June 26, 2026	NEORTC
28540	Oppositional Defiant Disorder: Talk to the Hand	Brian Bethel	Monday, June 29, & Tuesday, June 30, 2026 9:00am – 12:00pm each day	VIRTUAL
30393	CAPM Safety Planning	Warne Edwards	Monday, June 29, & Tuesday, June 30, 2026 9:00am – 12:00pm each day	VIRTUAL

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